

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
AGENDA SESSION
REGULAR MEETING**

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

JUNE 2, 2026

Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright; Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith and Commissioner Laura Osiadacz.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Office Administrator; Kasey Knutson, Human Services Manager; Jesse Cox, Solid Waste Director; Chad Bala, CDS Director; Charlie Smith, Project Manager; Devin Duncan, Law Enforcement Clerk; Stephanie Hartung, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor; Katrina Mankus, Juvenile Court Administrator; Patti Stacey, Facilities Director; Arden Thomas, Water Resource Program Manager; Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director; James McCubbin, Deputy Prosecutor; Nancy Shaff, Chief Administrative Deputy; and 1 member of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Wright called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Chairman Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES

Stephanie Hartung, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor, introduced two new employees in their office, Mark Mitchell, Deputy Prosecutor I and Hunter Slezak, Deputy Prosecutor 1.

PROCLAMATIONS - NONE

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS - NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

At the conclusion of reviewing each item Vice-Chairman Wachsmith moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

APPROVED

June 14, 2026

CONSENT AGENDA

At the conclusion of reviewing each item Vice-Chairman Wachsmith moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

MINUTES

DATE	MINUTES
9/22/2025	IT Study Session
10/27/2025	IT Study Session
11/24/2025	IT Study Session
12/22/2025	IT Study Session
4/28/2026	HR Study Session
5/12/2026	HR Study Session
5/18/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
5/18/2026	Event Center Study Session - Cancelled
5/18/2026	Executive Session 11:30
5/18/2026	Executive Session 1:00
5/19/2026	Public Hearing(s)
5/19/2026	Regular Agenda Session
5/21/2026	Finance Study Session
5/25/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting - Cancelled
5/25/2026	CDS Study Session - Cancelled
5/26/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
5/26/2026	CDS Study Session
5/27/2026	DPW Study Session

RESOLUTION 2026-096

LAW & JUSTICE BY-LAWS

JUVENILE

Approve Resolution No.026-096, Authorizing to Ratify Amendments to the Kittitas County Law and Justice Council's Mission Statement and By-Laws.

RESOLUTION 2026-097

LOWER TRANSFER STATION CLOSURE

SOLID WASTE

Approve Resolution No. 2026-097, Authorizing the Closure of the Lower Kittitas County Transfer Station on July 13, 2026.

SET PUBLIC HEARING**COMP. PLAN PERIODIC UPDATE & DEV. REGS****CDS**

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to consider enabling documents for the 2026-2046 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update and Development Regulations, to be held on Tuesday June 16, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue Ellensburg, WA and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

ACKNOWLEDGE**SAFE HOUSE PROJECT****SHERIFF**

Acknowledge a Memorandum of Understanding between Safe House Project (Simply Report) and the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office, effective March 1, 2026.

CONTRACT**WASHINGTON STATE HEALTH CARE AUTHORITY****SHERIFF**

Approve Amendment No. 05 to Contract K5885 between Kittitas County Sheriff's Office at the Washington State Health Care Authority, in the amount of \$209,000.00, to provide medication for opioid use disorder in the Jail from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

RESOLUTION 2026-098**BEECH ROAD EXTENSION****PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-098, Authorizing an Addendum to a Revocable License Agreement between Kittitas County and Pooya Roohani, for the Extension of Beech Road and Authorize the Public Works Director to Execute the Same.

SET PUBLIC HEARING**SURPLUS EQUIPMENT****PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to consider equipment surplus to Kittitas County's needs and authorize disposal of the same in accordance with RCW 36.34.080, to be held on Tuesday June 16, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue Ellensburg, WA and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

AGREEMENT**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Amendment #1 to Contract No. PHHAHC-004, between Kittitas County and Habitat for Humanity, for the Floral Avenue Affordable Housing Development from May 1, 2025, through June 30, 2027.

RESOLUTION 2026-099**MILLAGE FUNDING****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-099, Algorithm and Distribution for Developmental Disabilities Millage Funding to Current Developmental

Disabilities Administration Subcontractors.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

CDBG GRANT

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to review community development and housing needs, inform citizens of the availability of funds and eligible uses of the State Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and receive comments on proposed activities, particularly from low income persons residing in Kittitas County, to be held on Tuesday June 16, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue Ellensburg, WA and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

AGREEMENT

HULZ BHU ENGINEERS, INC.

AUDITOR

Approve an Agreement for Services between Kittitas County and Hultz BHU Engineers, Inc. to provide On-Call Engineering and Consulting Services, through June 2, 2029.

CHANGE ORDER

CASCADE CENTRAL CONSTRUCTION

AUDITOR

Approve Change Order No. 8 with Cascade Central Construction, in the amount of \$138,865.75, for the Ellensburg Rodeo Arena Project.

CHANGE ORDER

BELSAAS & SMITH

AUDITOR

Approve Change Order No. 2, with Belsaas & Smith Construction Inc. in the amount of \$26,296.76, for the New Regional Search and Rescue/EOC Facility.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - NONE

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

Tim Riles expressed concerns of fire zones identified in Kittitas County and how his insurance has tripled in price. He encouraged the Board to put pressure on the Governor's office.

BOARD DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS - NONE

MISCELLANEOUS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:13 a.m. Chairman Wright announced the Board would enter into an Executive Session for five minutes with Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director; Arden Thomas, Water Resource Manager; and Stephanie Hartung,

Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor, under RCW 42.30.110(b) To consider the selection of a site or the acquisition of regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of increased price. There was action anticipated.

10:18 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. No action taken.

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At 10:21 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. No action taken.

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At 10:26 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. No action taken.

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At 10:29 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. Staff was directed to continue negotiations towards an Interlocal Agreement for properties.


ADJOURNMENT

The meeting concluded at 10:29 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD


Julie Kjorsvik

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Cory Wright, Chairman