

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
CONFERENCE ROOM
SPECIAL MEETING**

TUESDAY

1:00 PM

JULY 14, 2026

Board members present: Vice-Chairman, Brett Wachsmith; Commissioner, Laura Osiadacz. Chairman Cory Wright-Excused.
Others: Jodi Larsen, Office Administrator; Amy McGuffin, Executive Director, Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce.

CITIZEN COMMENTS: NONE

SPECIAL MEETING

CHAMBER CEO-ADO UPDATE

COMMISSIONERS

At 1:00 p.m., Vice-Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting with the Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce.

Amy McGuffin, Executive Director of the Kittitas County Chamber of Commerce, provided the Board with an update on the Associate Development Organization's (ADO) current projects and funding. Ms. McGuffin reported that, with the ADO's assistance, more than \$36 million in grant funding has been awarded to Kittitas County. These funds have supported more than 253 businesses, served 439 students through eight youth summits, and supported more than 142 meetings and planning sessions with over 93 engaged partners.

Ms. McGuffin also reviewed upcoming plans for the Thorp Mill site. Applications are being pursued for capital funding, RCO grants, and .09 funds. The proposed plans include clearing trees and making the property available for day use and camping.

The Board discussed with the ADO the possibility of hosting a student "Community Civic Day" at the Courthouse. The event would provide students an opportunity to tour County offices, learn about the roles and responsibilities of different departments, and understand how elected officials serve and impacts to the County.

OTHER BUSINESS - NONE

The meeting concluded at 2:00 p.m.

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR


Jodi Larsen
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