

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

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

JULY 21, 2026

Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright, Commissioner Laura Osiadacz. Excused: Vice-Chairman Brett Wachsmith.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Office Administrator; Jodi Larsen, Office Administrator; Chelsey Loeffers, Public Health Director; Kasey Knutson, Human Services Manager; Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director; Patrick Gigstead, Chief Probation Officer; James McCubbin, Deputy Prosecutor III; Kady Porterfield, Event Center Director; Nancy Schaff, Chief Administrative Deputy; Chad Bala CDS Director; Devin Duncan, Law Enforcement Clerk; and 9 members of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Wright led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES - NONE

PROCLAMATIONS - NONE

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

The Board of County Commissioners recognized the following employees for tenure milestones: 5 Years - Benito Chavez. 20 Years - Dr. Mark Larson, Ben Corbett, and Patrick Gigstead.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

At the conclusion of the review of each item, Commissioner Osiadacz requested a amendment to the Agenda to move Consent Item F to Board Discussion/Decision. Chairman Wright agreed, and the amendment was made.

CONSENT AGENDA

07/21/2026 MINUTES

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APPROVED

2026/08/04

At the conclusion of reviewing each item Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as amended. Chairman Wright seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

MINUTES

DATE	MINUTES
06/22/2026	IT Study Session
06/22/2026	Public Works Study Session
07/01/2026	Sheriff's Study Session
07/13/2026	CDS Study Session - Cancelled
07/13/2026	Public Works Study Session
07/27/2026	Public Works Study Session - Cancelled

SET PUBLIC HEARING

EXTEND MORATORIUM

CDS

Approve Setting a Public Hearing for Tuesday August 4, 2026 to consider extending the moratorium regarding Kittitas County Code Chapter 17.13 for one (1) year and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

AGREEMENT

DDCS COUNTY SERVICES

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve a Program Agreement between Kittitas County and DDCS County Services from July 1, 2026, to June 30, 2027.

RESOLUTION 2026-123

VANTAGE WIND ENERGY FRANCHISE

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-123, to amend a non-exclusive franchise agreement between Kittitas County and Vantage Wind Energy LLC, extending the current agreement to 2041 per a renewed operation agreement between Vantage Wind Energy and Puget Sound Energy.

RESOLUTION 2026-124 HORIZONTAL CURVE SAFETY PROJECT

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-124, to award the contract for Horizontal Curve Safety Project (CRP 319-23) and authorizing the Public Works Director to execute the same.

ITEM F TITLE MOVED TO BOARD DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS

RESOLUTION 2026-126

J-U-B ENGINEERS

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution NO. 2026-126, authorizing Chair's signature on Task

Order 2026-01 with JUB Engineering to perform construction support services for Phase 1 Construction on Bowers Field Hangar Taxiline Complex.

RESOLUTION 2026-127 REVISION OF CORPORATE BOUNDARY

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-127, Authorizing Chair signature on an agreement between Kittitas County and the City of Cle Elum for a revision of the Corporate Boundary for the City.

RESOLUTION 2026-128 ACCEPT CHANGE TO CORPORATE LIMITS

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-128, Accepting the update to the Corporate Boundary of the City of Cle Elum.

RESOLUTION 2026-129

WASHINGTON STATE D.O.C.

SHERIFF

Approve Resolution No. 2026-129 authorizing the execution of an agreement between Washington State Dept. of Corrections and Kittitas County for the housing of inmates.

RESOLUTION 2026-130

CIVIL FEE SCHEDULE

SHERIFF

Resolution No. 2026-130, authorizing the amendment to the Kittitas County Sheriff's office fee schedule.

RESOLUTION 2026-131

GRANT FUNDING

SHERIFF

Resolution No. 2026-131, awarding funding for a grant pursuant to the Washington Assoc. of Sheriff's and Police Chiefs for the Registered Sex Offender Address and Residency Verification Program 2026-2027.

CONTRACT

CONSOLIDATED CONTRACT

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve and authorize the Signature of the Public Health Director on the Consolidated Contract Amendment 11 between 01/01/25-12/31/2027.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - NONE

CITIZEN COMMENTS -

An email was received on Sunday, July 19, from Pat Kelleher. Mr. Kelleher requested that the email be accepted as public comment regarding the proposed formation of a Countywide Public Facilities District. Mr. Kelleher expressed opposition to the proposal.

BOARD DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS

RESOLUTION 2026-125 COUNTYWIDE PUBLIC FACILITIES DIST. PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-125, accepting the independent financial feasibility review and creating a Countywide Public Facilities District. Commissioner Osiadacz moved to create a Countywide Public Facilities District. Chairman Wright Seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

MISCELLANEOUS

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 10:26 a.m. Chairman Wright announced the Board would recess into an Executive Session for 5 minutes with James McCubbin, Deputy Prosecutor III; and Kady Porterfield, Event Center Director; under RCW 42.30.110(i) To discuss with Legal Counsel representing the Agency, matters relating to Agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with Legal Counsel representing the Agency, litigation or potential litigation to which the Agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the Agency. Action was anticipated.

At 10:31 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. No action was taken.

At 10:31 a.m. Chairman Wright announced the Board would recess back into an Executive Session for 5 minutes with James McCubbin, Deputy Prosecutor III; and Kady Porterfield, Event Center Director; under RCW 42.30.110(i) To discuss with Legal Counsel representing the Agency, matters relating to Agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with Legal Counsel representing the Agency, litigation or potential litigation to which the Agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the Agency. Action was anticipated.

At 10:36 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. Commissioner Osiadacz moved to approve Chair signature on a letter to ALSC Architects, as discussed. Chairman Wright seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting concluded at 10:37 a.m.

KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR



Jodi Larsen

KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Cory Wright, Chairman