

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

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

AUGUST 4, 2026

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith and Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz. District #1 Commissioner - Vacant.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Office Administrator; Kasey Knutson, Human Services Manager; Stephanie Hartung, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecutor; Darren Higashiyama, Chief Deputy; Arden Thomas, Water Resource Manager; Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director; Zack DeHaven, Budget & Finance Director; Chad Bala, CDS Director; Devin Duncan, Law Enforcement Clerk; Lower Kittitas County Judge Paul Sander; Kyra Tirey, Emergency Management Specialist; Julio Acevedo, Legal Process Assistant III; Emily Brown, Treatment Court Coordinator; Lupe Cruz, Legal Process Assistant III; Maddie Douglas, Legal Process Assistant III; Sarah Gann, Compliance Specialist; Maria Gomez, District Court Administrator; Micaela Maloof, Legal Process Assistant III; Hailey Nelson, Legal Process Assistant III; Barbara Ramsey, Legal Process Coordinator; Samantha Reeves, Legal Process Assistant III; Chris Seilsad, Deputy Sheriff; James Woody, Courthouse Security Officer; and 1 member of the public.

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE

Chairman Wachsmith led the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTION OF NEW COUNTY EMPLOYEES - NONE

PROCLAMATIONS

PROCLAMATION	INTERNATIONAL OVERDOSE AWARENESS DAY	COMMISSIONERS
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Vice-Chairman Osiadacz moved to approve a Proclamation declaring August 31, 2026, as "International Overdose Awareness Day" in Kittitas County.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

The Board of County Commissioners recognized the following employees for

milestones: 10 Years – Kathryn Odiaga and Sarah Gann. 20 Years – Chris Seilstad.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

At the conclusion of reviewing each item Vice-Chairman Osiadacz moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

CONSENT AGENDA

At the conclusion of reviewing each item Vice-Chairman Osiadacz moved to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

MINUTES

DATE	MINUTES
5/27/2026	Public Health Study Session
6/18/2026	Finance Study Session
7/6/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
7/6/2026	Joint HAHC and BoCC Special Meeting
7/7/2026	BoCC Agenda Session
7/8/2026	Declare Burn Ban Special Meeting
7/13/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
7/14/2026	Chamber CEO – ADO Special Meeting
7/16/2026	Finance Study Session
7/20/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
7/21/2026	BoCC Agenda Session
7/27/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting – Cancelled
7/27/2026	CDS Study Session – Cancelled
7/27/2026	IT Study Session – Cancelled

RESOLUTION 2026-134

PERIOD UPDATE REQUIREMENTS

CDS

Approve Resolution No: 2026-134, Acknowledging Kittitas County Completion of the 2026-2046 Periodic Update Requirements Under the Washington State Growth Management Act.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING**CRISIS CONNECTIONS****SHERIFF**

Approve a Memorandum of Understanding between Crisis Connections and the Kittitas County Jail.

AMENDMENT**WA STATE MILITARY DEPARTMENT****SHERIFF**

Acknowledge Amendment No. 2 to Grant Number E24-135 between the Washington State Military Department and the US Department of Homeland Security and Kittitas County, increasing the amount to \$171,088 and extending the ending date to August 31, 2026.

AGREEMENT**CITY OF ELLENSBURG****AUDITOR**

Approve Contract No. A2926 for 2026 Lodging Tax Services between the City of Ellensburg and Kittitas County, in the amount of \$500,000.00 for the renovation of the Kittitas County Event Center Rodeo Grandstands project.

AGREEMENT**HORTICULTURAL PEST & DISEASE BOARD****AUDITOR**

Approve a Professional Services Agreement between Kittitas County and the Kittitas County Horticultural Pest and Disease Board, and Bugs & Flies, Inc. dba B&F Services, to provide services between June 1, 2026, through September 30, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00.

RESOLUTION 2026-135**WHISKEY CREEK TEMP EASEMENT****PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-135, Authorizing the Public Works Directors Signature on the Right-of-Way and Temporary Easement Documents for Flood Mitigation on Whiskey Creek, Parcel Numbers 962710 and 962712.

SET PUBLIC HEARING**DEPT NATURAL RESOURCES****PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to consider a Lease with the Department of Natural Resources for property located at the Kittitas County Airport, Bowers Field, to be held at 2:00 p.m. on September 1, 2026, in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 West 5th Avenue Ellensburg, WA and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

RESOLUTION 2026-136**FEHR & PEERS****PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-136, Authorizing Chair's Signature on the Fehr and Peers Task Order No. 01 for the Countywide Transportation Model.

RESOLUTION 2026-137**CORRECTING A SCRIVENER'S ERROR****PUBLIC WORKS**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-137, Correcting a Scrivener's Error on the Agreement between Kittitas County and the City of Cle Elum for the Revision of Corporate Boundary for the City of Cle Elum Approved by Resolution No. 2026-127.

RESOLUTION 2026-138**TACOMA-PIERCE COUNTY HEALTH DEPT.****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-138, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between Kittitas County and the Tacoma-Pierce County Health Department, to issue food workers cards from their Food Handlers online system, from January 1, 2027, through December 31, 2031.

AGREEMENT**KITTITAS COUNTY JAIL****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve an Agreement for Services PHMH26-007, between Kittitas County and the Kittitas County Jail, in the amount of \$98,635.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**KITTITAS COUNTY HEALTH NETWORK****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-009, between Kittitas County and the Kittitas County Health Network, in the amount of \$98,922.91, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**KITTITAS COUNTY ALANO CLUB****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-008, between Kittitas County and the Kittitas County Alano Club, in the amount of \$146,813.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**PEERS RISING****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-010, between Kittitas County and Peers Rising, in the amount of \$94,202.90, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**ABILITY****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH 26-015, between Kittitas County and Ability, in the amount of \$12,600.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning May 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**AT WORK!****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-016, between Kittitas County and AtWork!, in the amount of \$12,600.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning May 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**ELMVIEW****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-018, between Kittitas County and Elmvew, in the amount of \$12,600.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning May 1, 2026, through September 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**DAMMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-055, between Kittitas County and Damman School District, in the amount of \$9,900.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**KITTITAS SCHOOL DISTRICT****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-013, between Kittitas County and Kittitas School District, in the amount of \$82,400.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**ELLENSBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-011, between Kittitas County and Ellensburg School District, in the amount of \$312,000.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**THORP SCHOOL DISTRICT****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Agreement for Services PHMH26-004, between Kittitas County and Thorp School District, in the amount of \$53,250.00, from the 2026 One-Time Opioid Abatement Strategies funding, beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

CORRESPONDENCE - NONE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS - NONE

CITIZEN COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS - NONE

BOARD DISCUSSION/DECISION ITEMS - NONE

MISCELLANEOUS - NONE

EXECUTIVE SESSION - NONE

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting concluded at 10:14 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD


Julie Kjorsvik

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**


Brett Wachsmith, Chairman