

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

TUESDAY

10:00 A.M.

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith and Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz. Excused: Commissioner Jeff Leichleiter.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Arden Thomas, Water Resource Manager; Mandy Buchholz, Office Administrator; Chad Bala, CDS Director; Patti Stacey, Facilities Director; Christine Rice, Legal Assistant II; Sabrina Broach, Victim Witness Specialist/Legal Assistant; Stephanie Hartung, Chief Civil Deputy; Charlie Smith, Project & Contracts Manager; Savanna Myra, Accounting Assistant III; Therese Murphy, Deputy Prosecutor III; Josh Fredrickson, Public Works Director; Chelsey Loeffers, Public Health Director; Zack DeHaven, Budget & Finance Director; Bryan Elliott, Auditor; Nancy Schaff, Chief Administrator Deputy; Melissa Schumaier, Environmental Health Supervisor; Ed Buntin, Jail Lieutenant; and approximately 25 members 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 KITITITAS HIGH SCHOOL - FCCLA DAY COMMISSIONERS

Vice-Chairman Osiadacz moved to approve a Proclamation declaring September 8, 2026, as "Kittitas High School FCCLA Day in Kittitas County". Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion carried 2-0.

AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION CANDI RAMSEY COMMISSIONERS

Vice-Chairman Osiadacz moved to approve a Certificate of Recognition to Candi Ramsey for her public service to the citizens of Kittitas County

APPROVED

9/15/26

8/11/2026	Solid Waste/Maint. Study Session
8/17/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting - CANCELLED
8/18/2026	BoCC Agenda Session - CANCELLED
8/24/2026	BoCC Office Admin Meeting
8/24/2026	Public Works Study Session - CANCELLED
8/24/2026	CDS Study Session CANCELLED

BUDGET

2027 PRELIMINARY COUNTY BUDGET

AUDITOR

Acknowledge the 2027 County Budget, in accordance with RCW 36.40.050.

RESOLUTION 2026-143

RECORDS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

PROSECUTOR

Approve Resolution No. 2026-143, Amending the Bylaws of the Kittitas County Records Management Committee.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

CONSERVATION DISTRICT

COMMISSIONERS

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to consider the Kittitas County Conservation District Renewal of the System of Rates and Charges, to be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 15, 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.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

DATA CENTER MORATORIUM

CDS

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to consider extending the moratorium regarding Data Centers, for an additional 6 months, to be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 15, 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 2026-144

LAND USE PLANNING CONSULTING SERVICES

CDS

Approve Resolution No. 2026-144, to Authorize Amended Land Use Planning Consulting Services from Andrew L. Kottkamp and Jay Eyestone, effective August 1, 2026.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

CWU LEASE AT AIRPORT

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to consider a Lease with Central Washington University for property located at the Kittitas County Airport, Bowers Field, to be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday September 15, 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.

CALL FOR BIDS

WHISKEY CREEK

PUBLIC WORKS

Approve a Notice of Call for Bids for the Kittitas County Whiskey Creek at Ellensburg Water Company Inverted Siphon Project, to be received until 10:00 a.m. on Thursday September 24, 2026, at the Kittitas County Public Works Department, 411 North Ruby Street, Suite 1, Ellensburg, WA and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

SET PUBLIC HEARING

RYEGRASS SEPTAGE LAGOONS

SOLID WASTE

Approve Setting a Public Hearing to consider an updated Fee Schedule to address operating costs for the Ryegrass Septage Lagoons, along with adding an additional compost project to be made available for sale, to be held at 2:00 p.m. on Tuesday October 6, 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 2026-145

REIMBURSEMENT RYEGRASS BALEFILL

SOLID WASTE

Approve Resolution No. 2026-145, Authorizing Reimbursement from the Ryegrass Balefill Post-Closure Reserve for Documented Post-Closure Costs.

AMENDMENT

SCS ENGINEERS

SOLID WASTE

Approve Amendment No. 4 to the Professional Services Agreement with SCS Engineers, in the amount not to exceed \$1,610,949, for services for the new Lower Valley Transfer Station.

AGREEMENT

APPLE VALLEY COUNSELING SERVICES

SHERIFF

Approve an Agreement for Services between Kittitas County and Apple Valley Counseling Services, LLC d/b/a Valley Health and Counseling, to provide day-to-day operating model for mental health, substance use disorder, behavioral health practitioner, and behavioral-health medication-management services at the Kittitas County Jail.

RESOLUTION 2026-146

CITY OF KITTITAS - FIELD TRAINING

SHERIFF

Approve Resolution No. 2026-146, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office and the City of Kittitas, for Field Training Services.

RESOLUTION 2026-147 CITY OF KITTITAS - LAW ENFORCEMENT SERVICES SHERIFF

Approve Resolution No. 2026-147, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement

between the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office and the City of Kittitas.

AGREEMENT

WA MILITARY DEPARTMENT

SHERIFF

Approve Grant Agreement No. E26-350 between the Washington State Military Department and the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office, in the amount of \$31,183.00.

GRANT

WA ASSOC. SHERIFFS AND POLICE CHIEFS

SHERIFF

Acknowledge a Grant with the Washington Association of Sheriffs and Police Chiefs, in the amount of \$3,000.00, to purchase (1) Lidar Unit.

CHANGE ORDER

ELLENSBURG RODEO ARENA PROJECT

AUDITOR

Approve Change Order No. 2 with Nor-Pac Seating Company, in the amount of \$16,752.58, for the Ellensburg Rodeo Arena Project.

CONTRACT

HULTZ BHU

AUDITOR

Approve Project Task #1 with Hultz BHU for On Call Services to Design, Bid, CA & reimbursable expenses not to exceed \$32,990.00 for the Sheriff's Office Generator Project.

CONTRACT

HULTZ BHU

AUDITOR

Approve Project Task #2 with Hultz BHU for On Call Services to Design, Bid, CA & reimbursable expenses not to exceed \$28,765.00 for the Courthouse Server Room - AC Replacement Project.

AGREEMENT

SCJ ALLIANCE

AUDITOR

Approve an Agreement for Professional Services between Shea, Carr & Jewell, Inc (dba SCJ Alliance) and Kittitas County, in an amount of \$47,717.11, for On Call Services for the Upper County Courthouse Sewer Project.

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SCJ ALLIANCE

AUDITOR

Approve Amendment No. 01 to an Agreement for Professional Services between Shea, Carr & Jewell, Inc (dba SCJ Alliance) and Kittitas County, in the amount of \$192,516.52, for the KVEC RV Park Project.

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SCJ ALLIANCE

AUDITOR

Approve Amendment No. 09 to an Agreement for Professional Services between Shea, Carr & Jewell, Inc (dba SCJ Alliance) and Kittitas County, in the amount of \$62,109.00, for the Cle Elum Transfer Station Tank Replacement Project.

Approve Setting a Joint Public Hearing between the Board of County Commissioners and the Board of Health, to be held on September 17, 2026, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners Auditorium, Room 109, Kittitas County Courthouse 205 W. 5th Avenue Ellensburg, WA to consider revisions to Kittitas County Code 13.40, and to authorize the Clerk to publish said notice.

RESOLUTION 2026-148**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-148, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between the State of Washington, Department of Ecology and the Kittitas County Public Health Department, for Administration and Enforcement of Certain Water Well Construction Regulations, from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2031.

RESOLUTION 2026-149**DEPARTMENT OF ECOLOGY****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Resolution No. 2026-149, Authorizing an Interlocal Agreement between Kittitas County and the Washington State Department of Ecology and the Washington State Department of Health for the Regional Onsite Sewage System Loan Program.

CONTRACT**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve Amendment No. 12 to the 2025-2027 Consolidated Contract between the Department of Health and the Kittitas County Public Health Department, in the amount of \$93,991.00, for the period January 1, 2025, through December 31, 2027.

AGREEMENT**ELMVUE****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve an Agreement for Services between Kittitas County and Elmvue to provide coordinated and comprehensive state and local program services for persons with developmental disabilities, from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT**EASTON SCHOOL DISTRICT****PUBLIC HEALTH**

Approve an Agreement for Services between Kittitas County and the Easton School District, in the amount of \$17,900.00, for a licensed mental health provider to provide services to students, from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

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

Approve an Agreement for Services between Kittitas County and Ability, to provide coordinated and comprehensive state and local program of

services for persons with developmental disabilities, from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

AGREEMENT

COMPASS

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve an Agreement for Services between Kittitas County and Compass, to provide coordinated and comprehensive state and local program of services for persons with developmental disabilities, from July 1, 2026, June 30, 2027.

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ATWORK!

PUBLIC HEALTH

Approve an Agreement for Services between Kittitas County and AtWork!, to provide coordinated and comprehensive state and local program of services for persons with developmental disabilities, from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.

CORRESPONDENCE

There was an email dated August 30, 2026, from Pat Kelleher, regarding Homeless Shelters.

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 10:29 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD


Julie Kjosrvik

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**


Brett Wachsmith, Chairman