

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
COMMISSIONERS AUDITORIUM
SPECIAL MEETING**

WEDNESDAY

2:00 P.M.

MARCH 30, 2016

Board members present: Chairman Obie O'Brien; Vice-Chairman Paul Jewell and Commissioner Gary Berndt.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Doc Hansen, Planning Official/Interim CDS Director; Neil Caulkins, Deputy Prosecutor; Debbie Myers, Receptionist/Board Clerk; and approximately 15 members of the public.

TAX APPEALS

BOARD OF EQUALIZATION

COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Jewell moved to approve a Notice for the Board of Equalization's request to convene for the purpose of hearing appeals filed for 2015 for taxes payable in 2016. Commissioner Berndt seconded. Motion carried 3-0.

PUBLIC HEARING

MCDONALD ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION REMAND

CDS

At 2:05 p.m. **CHAIRMAN O'BRIEN** opened a Public Hearing continued from March 15, 2016, to consider the remand of the original Administrative Decision for the McDonald Administrative Conditional Use (File Number CU-14-00005). He noted the record was closed.

The Board of County Commissioners deliberated on the appeal issues and reviewed conditions.

COMMISSIONER JEWELL read comments and case law into the record which outlined his decision on the remand. **COMMISSIONER BERNDT** reviewed issues relating to the quality of SEPA that had been provided.

COMMISSIONER JEWELL moved that the appeal be granted and that the McDonald Administrative Conditional Use Permit be revoked and that Staff be instructed to prepare enabling documents. **COMMISSIONER BERNDT** seconded.

COMMISSIONER JEWELL also explained how there was no alternative but to go with the WAC relating to the Brethren school and there was no other choice under code, but to go with the decision made today. **COMMISSIONER BERNDT** explained that he could not understand from the information provided by the applicant of what the plan was and what was going to happen over the next 5-7 years. He addressed issues relating to mitigation of water as well.

CHAIRMAN O'BRIEN said the actions of the Brethren school were purposely chosen by them and they chose not to be a part of the State system, which is their right. He also addressed various issues relating to water.

Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:44 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD


Julie Kjosvik

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Obie O'Brien, Chairman