

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

**MONDAY**

**3:00 P.M.**

**JANUARY 9, 2017**

Board members present: Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz & Commissioner Obie O'Brien. Excused: Chairman Paul Jewell.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board; Robin Read, Public Health Administrator; Mike Luvera, Kittitas County Law & Justice Council.

**SPECIAL MEETING                    MH/CD PRESENTATION FROM KCLJC                    COMMISSIONERS**

At 3:05 p.m. Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz opened a Special Meeting to receive a presentation from the Kittitas County Law & Justice Council regarding Chemical Dependency and Mental Health.

Mike Luvera, Kittitas County Law & Justice Council presented the Board with a Power Point Presentation about Chemical Dependency and Mental Health and the 1/10<sup>th</sup> of one percent tax that the County could put out for a vote by the citizens of Kittitas County. He reviewed RCW 82.14.460-sales and use tax for chemical dependency or mental health treatment services of therapeutic courts. He reviewed where Kittitas County is at currently and what has been accomplished. He questioned the Board to see where they were at with regard to their support in seeking the 1/10<sup>th</sup> of one percent sales tax for mental health and chemical dependency treatment services of therapeutic courts.

Commissioner O'Brien indicated that the BoCC would need to receive a request from the Law & Justice Council asking the BoCC to begin the process for placing the tax on a ballot. Commissioner Osiadacz encouraged the Law & Justice Council to bring forward a plan. She stated that would help the BoCC in making their decision.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:42 p.m.

**DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
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Mandy Buchholz

  
Paul Jewell, Chairman