

**KITTITAS COUNTY  
PUBLIC WORKS STUDY SESSION MINUTES  
COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 109 - ELLENSBURG  
Regular Meeting**

**MONDAY**

**1:30 PM**

**MARCH 25, 2019**

Board members present: Chairman Cory Wright; Commissioner Laura Osiadacz

Others: Mark Cook, Candie Leader, Public Works; Dan Carlson, Dusty Pilkington, Mike Flory, Community Development Services

At 1:58 pm Chairman Cory Wright opened the Public Works Study Session.

**REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE CHAIR'S SIGNATURE ON THE DIGITAL SUBMITTAL CERTIFICATION TO THE COUNTY ROAD ADMINISTRATION BOARD**

Mark Cook presented the resolution for approval and stated that this is an annual certification that is submitted to the County Road Administration Board for reporting purposes. Commissioner Laura Osiadacz made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-060 Authorizing the Chair's Signature on the Digital Submittal Certification to the County Road Administration Board. Chairman Cory Wright seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

**REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION STATING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' POSITION OF "NO NET LOSS" FOR ACCESS ON PUBLIC ROADS**

Mark Cook stated that the Board of County Commissioners has been working with the Public Lands Advisory Committee and other stakeholders regarding access on public roads. Mark Cook continued that Public Works finalized the resolution for approval. Chairman Cory Wright expressed his thanks to Commissioner Laura Osiadacz for her efforts on this and Mark Cook added that Chairman Cory Wright was also passionate on this issue. Commissioner Laura Osiadacz stated that she also appreciates all the work that has been done from staff and stakeholders. Chairman Cory Wright made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-061 Stating the Board of County Commissioners' Position of "No Net Loss" for Access on Public Roads. Commissioner Laura Osiadacz seconded the motion with said motion passing 2-0.

**PROPERTY TRANSFER OF TAX PARCEL 693835 - CITY OF CLE ELUM DISCUSSION**

Mark Cook stated at a previous study session he spoke to the Board about the City of Cle Elum requesting to acquire Tax Parcel 693835 for a potential dog park. Mark Cook continued that at that study session the Board requested staff research the value of the tax parcel. Mark Cook added that the market value for the parcel is one hundred dollars

(\$100) and Public Works pays four dollars and ninety-one cents (\$4.91) annually in property taxes. Mark Cook commented that under RCW 39.33.060 property can be transferred for park and recreational uses. Mark Cook stated that the City of Cle Elum would need to formally request a letter to the Board stating the intention of creating the dog park and request the transfer of the tax parcel. Mark Cook added that he will have the Prosecuting Attorney's office verify the RCW mentioned is valid and bring back to the Board. Staff was directed to move forward with the process and have legal confirm that RCW 39.33.060 is appropriate to transfer the tax parcel.

**2019 SPRING FLOOD UPDATE**

Mark Cook reported that last week he and staff attended a meeting with area irrigators and the City of Ellensburg to discuss potential flooding and some areas of concern. Mark Cook continued that at the time of the meeting the weekend forecast was predicting flooding, however, none was reported. Mark Cook added that he did meet onsite with DR Horton and Ellensburg Water Company at Blackhorse to discuss the light flooding there.

**FLOOD ALLEVIATION AT BOWERS FIELD**

Mark Cook stated that for the past two and a half (2.5) years staff has been working on flooding models for Bowers Field and surrounding areas. Mark Cook continued that the Flood Control Zone District had also participated in some work ahead of the Environmental Assessment and with some trial and error found alternatives to relieve the runway flooding. Mark Cook added that the path forward to explain to the Federal Aviation Administration the significance of the alternatives and request some funding to help with the engineering that will need to be completed. Discussion was held.

Meeting adjourned at 2:14 pm.

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
Candie Leader

  
Cory Wright, Chairman