

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON  
COMMISSIONERS CONFERENCE ROOM  
SPECIAL MEETING**

**MONDAY**

**3:00 P.M.**

**JANUARY 6, 2020**

Board members present: Commissioner Cory Wright; Commissioner Brett Wachsmith, Commissioner and Commissioner Paul Jewell.

Others: Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Mark Cook, Public Works Director/Interim County Engineer; Bill Clarke and Peter Dykstra, Special Appointed Deputy Prosecutors/County lobbyist.

**SPECIAL MEETING                      MEETING WITH BILL CLARKE                      COMMISSIONERS**

At 3:00 p.m. Commissioner Cory Wright opened a Special Meeting to discuss with the County's Lobbyists Bill Clarke and Peter Dykstra the BoCC's 2020 Legislative Session Priorities.

The Board reviewed their Legislative Priorities for 2020 (list attached) and discussed the best approaches with their lobbyist to achieve the most successful outcome.

**OTHER BUSINESS -**

Commissioner Wright & Mr. Dykstra provided an update on the County's Water Banking program.

Commissioner Wright also updated Mr. Clarke and Mr. Dykstra on recent updates regarding the airport between the County & CWU.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

**DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD**

  
Mandy Buchholz

**KITITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
Cory Wright, Commissioner

**APPROVED**  
1/21/2020

## 2020 Legislative Priorities

- Bloom Pavilion Funding the Full Project: Focus this year for legislative ask. Put together good story with pictures, etc....
- I-90 Project, 6 Lanes to Exit 75 or to location that goes to Yakima: Build Coalition, meet with stakeholders, and develop strategy for 2021, begin educating legislators
- PILT, Payment in Lieu of Taxes for State and Federal Land: Continue to push for this to be fully funded AND placed in operating budget
- WUIC Map, We want this to make sure State map aligns with County map: Watch for progress, work with fire communities, bring to WSAC for representation from Association of Counties
- Commercial Solar, Ensure EFSEC process is set up to ensure State upholds Local Authorities Codes without finding "Loopholes": Build Coalition, meet with stake holders, and bring to WSAC for consideration