

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

MONDAY

10:30 A.M.

MARCH 16, 2020

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith; Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz and Commissioner Cory Wright.

Others: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Dan Carlson, CDS Director; Mark Cook, Public Works Director/Interim Engineer; Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I; Val Barschaw, Clerk; Kady Porterfield, Event Center Director; and Judy Pless, Budget & Finance Manager.

REGULAR MEETING

AGENDA STUDY SESSION

COMMISSIONERS

At 10:30 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Regular Meeting to review items scheduled for the March 17, 2020 Agenda Session. The Board of County Commissioners asked questions and received reports from Staff on each Agenda item.

OTHER BUSINESS

Dan Carlson, CDS Director said he discussed an option to allow for preapplication conferences to take place via telephone instead of in person which is currently required by County Code. He said he spoke with Deputy Prosecutor Neil Caulkins and he indicated they could prepare a Resolution which would allow it to take place via telephone instead of in person for a temporary time. Commissioner Wright suggested evaluating the preapplication process anyways. Director Cook and Director Carlson agreed the process should be revisited anyways.

Val Barschaw, Clerk said she had previously requested that the Maintenance Department install temporary plexiglass in their office. She wanted her employees to have emotional assurance that they are being heard. Chairman Wachsmith said they were following Dr. Larson's recommendation on how there is no need to install temporary plexiglass in their office in response to the COVID-19 virus. Ms. Barschaw felt there were health risks to their employees. Commissioner Osiadacz questioned if she was requesting plexiglass for safety reasons or due to COVID-19 because those were 2 different reasons. Ms. Barschaw said it was due to the COVID-19 concerns at this time.


The Agenda Study Session was adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD



Julie Kjorsvik

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman