

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

**WEDNESDAY**

**10:00 A.M.**

**APRIL 29, 2020**

Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith, Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz (via Webex) and Commissioner Cory Wright (via Webex).

Others: Taylor Crouch, Deputy Clerk of the Board I; Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board (via phone); Neil Caulkins, Chief Civil Deputy (via Webex); Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board (via Webex); Greg Zempel, Prosecutor (via Webex); Ken Harper, Kittitas County Special Deputy Prosecuting Attorney (via Webex); and Chuck Boyd, Deputy Director- Risk & Claims for the Risk Pool (via Webex).

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**PLANNING UPDATE/COVID-19**

**COMMISSIONERS**

At 10:00 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith opened a Special Meeting for the Board to provide planning updates relating to COVID-19.

Commissioner Wright updated the Board on the Ferguson PSA on the Agenda for today. There was discussion on the Courts and building spaces in the County. A meeting will be set up with the Board and Patti Johnson, Solid Waste Director/Interim Maintenance Director/Project Manager and IT staff to discuss options for the Auditorium. Commissioner Wright will work on a specification sheet for IT on what the Board's needs are for public meetings in the future.

Commissioner Osiadacz updated the Board on her progress working with other Washington State County Commissioners.

Commissioner Wachsmith updated the Board on the Tuesday Business call, information regarding re-opening and business plans that will be found on [www.kittitasemergency.org](http://www.kittitasemergency.org).

**AGREEMENT**

**FERGUSON GROUP PSA**

**COMMISSIONERS**

Commissioner Wright stated he had worked on this with the Ferguson Group, they have opened the original I-90 specification to search for more Federal grant opportunities for any department. Commissioner Wachsmith moved to approve a PSA with the Ferguson Group. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded. During discussion Commissioner Wachsmith stated he supported this PSA because the funding could be spread through different sources and it would not just be a General Fund spend. Motion carried 3-0.

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**COMMISSIONERS**

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At 10:27 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess into Executive Session for 30 minutes with Neil Caulkins, Chief Civil Deputy (via Webex); Greg Zempel, Prosecutor (via Webex); Ken Harper, Kittitas County Special Deputy Prosecuting Attorney (via Webex); and Chuck Boyd, Deputy Director- Risk & Claims for the Risk Pool (via Webex) to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency, due to COVID-19 and the Local Health Order. Potential action anticipated.


At 10:57 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. There was no action taken.

At 10:58 a.m. Chairman Wachsmith announced the Board would recess back into Executive Session for 10 minutes to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency, due to COVID-19 and the Local Health Order. Potential action anticipated.


At 11:08 a.m. the Board reconvened out of Executive Session. There was no action taken.

Meeting adjourned at 11:09 a.m.

**DEPUTY CLERK OF THE BOARD I**

  
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**Taylor Crouch**

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

  
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**Brett Wachsmith, Chairman**