

**COMMISSIONERS' MINUTES
KITITITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON
WEBEX
SPECIAL MEETING**

TUESDAY

2:00 P.M.

OCTOBER 20, 2020

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

Others present via WebEx: Julie Kjorsvik, Clerk of the Board; Mandy Buchholz, Deputy Clerk of the Board II; Mark Cook, Public Works Director; Joshua Frederick, Engineer; Clay Myers, Sheriff; and 1 member of the public.

Kittitas County is currently in Phase 3 and in person participation is prohibited. The public was encouraged to join the meeting by joining a WebEx event online.

PUBLIC HEARING

SPEED REDUCTION LYONS ROAD

PUBLIC WORKS

At 2:00 p.m. **VICE-CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** opened a Public Hearing to consider a Speed Reduction on Lyons Road and to Amend the Kittitas County Code Section 10.08.020 Speed Limits.

MARK COOK, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR reviewed a Staff Report and indicated they received a neighborhood petition on July 22, 2020 to conduct a speed study and consider a reduction of speed on Lyons Road between Wilson Creek Road and Naneum Road from 50 MPH to 35 MPH. He explained the process of how they conduct their speed studies with the results. Their evaluation of the roadway geometrics (vertical curves) affirmed appropriate design conformance to the national standards of engineering practice. Mr. Cook indicated that Lyons Road is representative of most county roads: narrow lanes with a minimal road shoulder and its operating at the upper end of their accepted service level for rural road operation. The Public Works Department's most recent twenty-year transportation plan does not forecast Lyons Road as breaking accepted levels of service in the next twenty-years. Staff recommended maintaining the existing 50 miles per hour speed limit on Lyons Road.

THERE WAS NO ONE REQUESTING TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENTS AT THE TIME OF HEARING.

COMMISSIONER WRIGHT moved to continue the Public Hearing to consider a reduction of speed on Lyons Road between Wilson Creek and Naneum Road from 50 MPH to 35 MPH, to Tuesday December 29, 2020 at 2:00 p.m., noting to leave the record open to both written and verbal comments. **VICE-CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** seconded.

APPROVED
11/3/2020

COMMISSIONER WRIGHT said Chairman Wachsmith was not in attendance at the Public Hearing and he'd rather have the full Board vote on the issue so it didn't end up being a tie vote (1-1) which would end up being denied. **VICE-CHAIRMAN OSIADACZ** thanked Staff for preparing all the information and expressed her support for leaving the public comment open until the continued Public Hearing on December 29th.

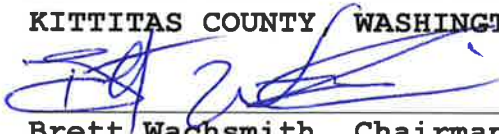
Motion carried 2-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:24 p.m.

CLERK OF THE BOARD


Julie Bjorsvik

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman