

**KITTITAS COUNTY  
EC STUDY SESSION MINUTES  
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 108 - ELLENSBURG  
Regular Meeting**

<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>May 12, 2021</b>
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Board members present: Chair Brett Wachsmith, Commissioner Laura Osiadacz – both via WebEx

**Others:** Kady Porterfield (Event Center Director), Lacie Dawson (Event Center program Manager); Morgan Peck (member of the Public) – all via WebEx

**1. Call to Order 10:00am**

**2. General Event and Rental Updates**

Bares and Broncs is taking place this weekend. KVEC has also been hosting business meetings, plant sales and the vaccine clinic – which will phase out May to June

**3. Approve Agreement with Kittitas County Friends of the Fair Foundation**

The Friends of the Fairgrounds will be taking over the livestock sale this year.

Commissioner Osiadacz made a motion to approve the PSA with Kittitas County Friends of the Fair Foundation. Chairman Wachsmith seconded. Motion passes 2-0.

**4. Patriot Night Under the Lights Concert Updates**

The concert is moving forward. Kady met with Dr. Larson on Monday and everything is looking good so far. Ticket sales will start on Monday (hopefully). Capacity is limited to 25% per section (currently) and may expand. Kady is working with our sponsorship coordinator to bring sponsors onboard. The fireworks show will not be financially feasible this year. Party pods and the beer garden will be on the arena floor. The pods will allow up to 8 people per pod and everyone must be 21 or older for that section. The boxed seats will be family friendly seating.

**5. Discuss Letter of Support for Wilson Creek Project**

Kady met with John Morrow from the City of Ellensburg to discuss Wilson Creek. Morrow had completed designs but needs to redo them due to the current flooding. The city is applying for a grant with the DOE, the project would not cost the county anything. Kady will need a letter of support from the BOCC.

**6. Discuss State Parks ground and John Wayne Trail**


**APPROVED**  
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The 6 acers just below the water tower, near the John Wayne Trail is currently owned by the state parks department. Kady has discussed with members of the Rodeo Board and state parks about acquisition of the property. The state would possibly be interested in doing a land swap. A Rodeo Board member expressed that they may be able to level the property for KVEC use. Kady requested approval to further explore options. Commissioners agreed to Kady continuing discussions.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Meeting adjourned at 10:19am

  
Kady Porterfield

**KITTITAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
KITTITAS COUNTY, WASHINGTON**  
  
Brett Wachsmith, Chairman