



KITTITAS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

Mark Cook, Director

STUDY SESSION MINUTES September 26, 2016

THOSE PRESENT:

Paul Jewell, Laura Osiadacz (BOCC), Luke Huck, Candie Leader (DPW), Steph Mifflin, Dan Carlson (CDS), Dr. Mark Larson, Holly Meyers, Holly Duncan, Erin Moore, Kimberly Sarver (EH)

GUESTS PRESENT:

Mark Nelson

TEANAWAY RCO:

Luke reported that staff is asking for direction from the Board to re-task RCO grant funds. Commissioner Jewell gave background on the re-tasking stating that there is \$988,000.00 awarded for the Lower Reach of the Yakima River – Ringer Loop for property acquisitions. Commissioner Jewell added that it would be worth looking in to re-tasking funds to the Teanaway area for property that would include senior water rights, possibly create a new public access and has the potential to be a great Flood Control Zone District project.

Board Direction:

Research the re-tasking of funding for the Teanaway property acquisition.

TEANAWAY PHASE II AWARD:

Luke stated that Mark received an email notifying the department that the Teanaway Phase II project has been awarded a 2016 Paving Award. The banquet will be held November 18, 2016 and Mark will be attending.

Board Direction:

No Direction.

REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO RATIFY THE CHAIR'S SIGNATURE ON FEMA AWARD DOCUMENTS FOR WHISKEY CREEK CTP GRANT ACCEPTANCE:

Luke presented a Resolution to Ratify the Chair's Signature on FEMA Award Documents for Whiskey Creek CTP. On Friday, September 23rd, staff received notice of the award and the grant acceptance form was due by 5pm that day. Commissioner O'Brien signed the document and

now staff is requesting to ratify Commissioner O'Brien's signature.

Board Direction:

Commissioner Osiadacz made a motion to approve Resolution No. 2016-119 to ratify the Chair's Signature on FEMA Award Documents for Whiskey Creek CTP Grant Acceptance. Commissioner Jewell seconded the motion with no discussion held.

PROJECT UPDATES:

Luke gave a project update on Lodge Creek/Via Kachess Culvert Replacement Project. The project is complete. There is final paperwork to finish up. He reported that he and staff met with the Forest Service to discuss the condition of the road that was used for a detour route. They would like the crew to go back and cut in some water bars and drainage ditches.

Staff is continuing to work on updating the fee schedule for the department. Staff has a meeting tomorrow to discuss the next steps and roadblocks that are being presented.

Staff has received a request from homeowners on the east end of Kittitas Highway to lengthen the transition zone from 35mph to 50mph and they may petition to have the 50mph zone reduced to 35mph. Compression brake signs have also been requested. Luke stated he will lengthen the transition zone and follow up with future requests as presented.



Luke Huck
County Engineer