

KITTITAS COUNTY
PUBLIC WORKS STUDY SESSION MINUTES
COMMISSIONERS' AUDITORIUM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 109 - ELLENSBURG
Regular Meeting

MONDAY

1:30 PM

May 22, 2017

Board members present: Chairman Paul Jewell; Vice-Chairman Laura Osiadacz; Commissioner Obie O'Brien

Others: Mark Cook, Lucas Huck, Candie Leader, Public Works; Dan Carlson, Stephanie Mifflin, Community Development Services; Neil Caulkins, Prosecuting Attorney's Office; Tony Buhr, Daily Record and One (1) Member of the public

At 1:30 pm Chairman Jewell opened the Public Works and Community Development Services Study Session.

Additional items were added to the agenda: Road Standards Variance Committee Update; Bar 14 Road Bridge Update; Floodplains by Design Workshop

OTHER BUSINESS

Chairman Jewell stated that there is a Floodplains by Design workshop on Friday, June 2, 2017 in Seattle. Chairman Jewell asked staff if they were aware of the workshop. Mark Cook commented that he was asked to speak at the workshop; however, he feels he isn't the best person to speak at the event. Chairman Jewell asked if any staff was going to be attendance and suggested that Community Development Services send a planner as he plans to be in attendance. Discussion was held.

Mark Cook asked to discuss another item under 'other business': Road Standards Variance Committee Update. Mark Cook stated that during a previous conversation with the Board of County Commissioners that the committee would not be restructured and that there is value in the citizen input component of that committee. Mark Cook continued that the concerns that were had were proposed to be addressed by filling the one remaining vacancy and conduct an educational meeting to review the bylaws and goals of the committee. Mark Cook added that last week discussion was had with Neil Caulkins and Commissioner Osiadacz related to requests for site visits on projects and creates issues of fairness on the applications. Discussion was held.

Mark Cook stated that approximately ten days ago under an emergency permit and with Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife staff on site, Public Works had equipment in water at the Bar 14

Road Bridge. Mark Cook continued that approximately four hundred yards of material was removed from upstream, downstream and at the bridge itself in an attempt to open the clearance under the bridge. Mark Cook added that crews were unsuccessful in clearing the obstruction. Mark Cook stated that flows rose and crews retreated from the project. Mark Cook commented that one more attempt will be made to clear the obstruction on Wednesday. Discussion was held.

PUBLIC WORKS GRAVEL ROAD GRADING BUSINESS PRACTICES

Mark Cook stated that this year has presented a unique set of circumstances in where the weather has been more wet than normal. Mark Cook continued that the wet conditions put the gravel road maintenance behind schedule. Mark Cook added that putting our equipment on the roads would do more harm than good in performing maintenance operations. Mark Cook commented that staff did not communicate the delay to residents of these roads and the complaints that were received caused staff to acknowledge that an internal discussion of looking at gravel road maintenance practices. Mark Cook added that the Maintenance Manager explained that the left over deicer product from winter maintenance is utilized on gravel roads as a base stabilizer. Mark Cook continued that he plans on adding a proposal to the next budget cycle to perform this action on the gravel roads in upcoming maintenance cycles. Discussion was held.

REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2017 KITTITAS COUNTY ROAD SAFETY PLAN

Lucas Huck presented the final draft of the 2017 Kittitas County Road Safety Plan for Board consideration. Lucas Huck stated that after compiling the data within the plan, eight projects were identified with a county wide safety improvement project being at the top of the list. Discussion was held. Chairman Jewell called for a motion to approve Resolution 2017-092 to Adopt the 2017 Kittitas County Road Safety Plan with amendments as discussed. Vice-Chairman Osiadacz made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-092 as amended with Commissioner O'Brien seconding said motion with discussion. Motion passed 3-0.

REQUEST TO APPROVE A REVISED GROUND LEASE BETWEEN KITTITAS COUNTY PUBLIC WORKS AND THE KITTITAS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FOR LOT 2 OF THE BOAT RAMP SHORT PLAT, VANTAGE WASHINGTON

Mark Cook gave background on the project and reported that the previous lease that was approved by the Board of County Commissioners contained errors in the square footage. Mark Cook continued that those errors have been corrected and an updated

lease is before the Board for approval. Chairman Jewell called for a motion to approve a Revised Ground Lease between Kittitas County Public Works and the Kittitas County Sheriff's Office for Lot 2 of the Boat Ramp Short Plat, Vantage Washington. Vice-Chairman Osiadacz made a motion to approve the revised lease as presented with Commissioner O'Brien seconding the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

REQUEST TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO AWARD THE 2017 ANNUAL PAINT STRIPE PROGRAM

Lucas Huck stated that Public Works solicited bids for the 2017 paint stripe program and the Engineer's estimate was \$246,309.40 with the low bid coming in at \$233,936.10 which is below the Engineer's estimate. Lucas Huck continued that two bids were received with Stripe Rite, Inc. submitting the low bid. Chairman Jewell called for a motion to approve Resolution 2017-093 to Award the 2017 Annual Paint Stripe Program. Vice-Chairman Osiadacz made a motion to approve Resolution 2017-093 as presented with Commissioner O'Brien seconding said motion. Motion passes 3-0. Mark Cook added that a change order can now be done to add striping and fog lines at Hyak.

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Candie Leader



Laura Osiadacz, Chairman