

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

**MONDAY**

**4:00 P.M.**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2017**

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

Others: Holly Myers, Environmental Health Supervisor; Peter Dykstra, Special Deputy Prosecuting Attorney and 5 members of the public.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**SCHNEBLY WATER RIGHTS**

**COMMISSIONERS**

At 4:00 p.m. **CHAIRMAN JEWELL** opened a Public Hearing to consider the purchase of Water Rights from Craig & Nancy Schnebly.

**PETER DYKSTRA, SPECIAL DEPUTY PROSECUTING ATTORNEY** provided a history and reviewed the documents which had been prepared relating to the purchase of the Schnebly Water Rights including a Resolution; Agreement to Lease Water for Irrigation; Option Agreement for Package B Mitigation Certificates; and a Second Amendment to Water Right Purchase and Sale Agreement. He said the proposed closing date is October 1, 2017. The proposed purchase is for 563.961 acre-foot of consumptive use water at a price of \$4,632.45 per acre-foot of consumptive use water, for a grand total of \$2,612,521.13.

**PAUL DEMPSEY, REPRESENTING THE SCHNEBLY'S** spoke in favor of the proposed purchase.

**THERE BEING NO ONE REQUESTING TO TESTIFY, THE PUBLIC PORTION OF THE HEARING WAS CLOSED.**

**RESOLUTION 2017-158**

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**COMMISSIONER OSIADACZ** moved to approve Resolution No. 2017-158, correcting the document to reflect the final purchase amount of \$2,612,521.13. **COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** seconded.

**COMMISSIONER OSIADACZ** noted how the purchase & sale has been in the works for a very long time and that she respected the amount of time & effort that went into getting to this point. She also expressed her appreciation to the Schnebly's for their patience. **COMMISSIONER O'BRIEN** also thanked the Schnebly's because without people like them they would not be able to have an answer to the water needs within the County.

**CHAIRMAN JEWELL** thanked the Public Health Staff; Mr. Dykstra; Mr. Clarke; and the Schnebly's for their hard work, patience and

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dedication. He said it was a huge success and legacy project for the County. Motion carried 3-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:35 p.m.


**CLERK OF THE BOARD**



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Julie Kjorsvik

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Paul Jewell, Chairman