

**KITTITAS COUNTY
SOLID WASTE AND MAINTENANCE MINUTES
BOCC CONFERENCE ROOM, 205 WEST 5TH ROOM 108 - ELLENSBURG
Regular Meeting**

TUESDAY	2:00 PM	August 10, 2021
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Board members present: Brett Wachsmith, Chairman, Laura Osiadacz, Vice-Chairman and Commissioner Cory Wright.

Others: Doug Mitchell, Neil Caulkins, Patti Stacey, Mandy Buchholz, and Lisa Lawrence

Meeting called to order at 2:00 p.m.

Bowling Alley Committee discussion and decision - 1 (One) members from each of the Commissioner Districts; 1 (one) member from the City of Ellensburg; the Event Center Director, the Maintenance, Director and, the Chair, who will be a member of the Board of County Commissioners. The Committee will be staffed by the consultant. Mandy went over the applications received stating there was only one application for District 1 and District 2 and one for the City of Ellensburg. Commissioner Wright made a motion to appoint Scott Carlson for District 1, Jerald Dougherty for District 2, Frederick Springsteen for District 3, and Bruce Tabb for the City of Ellensburg. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded the motion. Commissioner Wright amended the motion to include Commissioner Wachsmith as Chair of the Committee.

Commissioner Wachsmith seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Update on new Transfer Station. Patti informed the Board that the project is moving along except because of Covid and weather issues the Contractor is having trouble getting the electrical conduit needed and that the costs have double/tripled since they originally ordered it. Discussion was held on the 5000 feet of conduit needed, the cost per foot going up from 3.22 per foot to 6.40 per foot, holding up the project, and not being able to finalize the Short Plat. The Board directed Patti to move forward with the project.

Update on Paradigm/Accepting Credit Cards at Transfer Stations. Lisa gave the Board an update on accepting credit cards at the Transfer Stations that she has sent the requested information that the Paradigm software is a pass through to IT and is waiting to hear back from them on the next steps.

Discussion on Hours/ days of week transfer station is open. Discussion was held on hours of operation at the Cle Elum Transfer Station including the number of customers vs the number of customers in Ellensburg, that it is getting busier and time to start looking at opening an

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additional day. Further discussion included dumpsters at the Parks and how often they pay to dump them and that it will be a contract issue and an employee staffing issue discussion. The Board directed staff to bring this back with more information and more discussion next month.

Discussion on Waste Management's Fee increase. Patti informed the Board of Waste Managements CPI increase in the amount of 5.15%, that our fees would be going up accordingly and that she would be requesting to set a public hearing. Discussion was held on the rate per ton going up and raising minimum or leaving minimum the same. The Board agreed to leave minimum the same. Patti informed the Board that she still needed to look at overhead and recycling to breakeven.

Update on Shadybrook water. Patti informed the Board that the waterline was tested again last week, and they found another leak behind the First and Last. Patti told the Board that Maintenance doesn't feel comfortable doing this since the pipes or so fragile and that at least a licensed, bonded plumber would have the necessary tools and parts that maintenance doesn't have.

Request approval and Chair's signature on Change Order for Tenelco. Patti informed the Board that Tenelco is a septage pumper that does our land application. The Company is asking for an increase since they mobbed in expecting a certain number of gallons that was significantly less than they bid. Commissioner Wright moved to approve Chair's signature on the Change Order for Tenelco. Commissioner Wachsmith seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0.

Other business. None

Commissioner Osiadacz left the meeting at 2:30 p.m.

At 2:30 p.m. Commissioner Wachsmith announced per RCW the Board would recess into Executive session for 10 minutes to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency matters relating to agency enforcement actions, or to discuss with legal counsel representing the agency litigation or potential litigation to which the agency, the governing body, or a member acting in an official capacity is, or is likely to become, a party, when public knowledge regarding the discussion is likely to result in an adverse legal or financial consequence to the agency. No action was anticipated. At 2:40 p.m. the Board reconvened from executive session and at 2:41 p.m. the Board announced that they would recess into executive session for an additional 2 minutes. At 2:43 p.m. the Board reconvened. No action was taken.

At 2:45 p.m. Commissioner Wachsmith announced per RCW that the Board would recess into Executive to consider the minimum price at which real estate will be offered for sale or lease when public knowledge regarding such consideration would cause a likelihood of decreased price. However, final action selling or leasing public property shall be taken in a meeting open to the public. No action was anticipated. At 2:55 p.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session at 2:55 p.m. No action was taken, and Commissioner Wachsmith announced that the Board would recess into Executive session for an additional 10 minutes. At 3:10 p.m. the Board reconvened from Executive Session. No action was taken.

Meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.



Lisa Lawrence

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Brett Wachsmith, Chairman