

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

TUESDAY	2:00 PM	January 9, 2024
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Board members present: Chairman Brett Wachsmith (Absent) Laura Osiadacz Vice-Chairman (Webex), and Cory Wright Commissioner

Others: Patti Stacey and Lisa Lawrence. Brian Carlson in at 2:13 p.m. out at 2:15 p.m.

Call to Order at 2:00 p.m.

Citizen Comments (1 min. time limit) None

Discuss/Decision Additional Office Space for Finance Staff – Patti presented the Board Bryan Elliott’s staff report requesting additional office space behind the Auditorium. Discussion was held on others that might need additional or other spaces that might be available, the pros of finance being next to BOCC and if there would be any costs associated with the move. Patti informed the Board that the office would need paint and discussed using current furniture. The Board approved the additional space for Finance.

Request Board Direction of Sidewalk and Bus Stop on 5th Avenue – Patti informed the Board that her and Bryan Elliott met with the City, the City is willing to help with the costs for design and contract and after completion of the project, if the County uses the paver system, the City will take over and maintain the sidewalk. Discussion was held on accessibility for elections, losing three parking spots for the bus stop and landing. Further discussion was held on the retaining wall cost of \$59,000.00. The Board directed staff to move forward with the project.

Discussion on Sidewalks at Morris Sorenson Building – Patti presented the Board with pictures of the sidewalks and informed the Board that this item was pulled from her budget. Discussion was held on tripping hazards and that the staff report and pictures did not upload to the system. Patti informed the Board she would bring it back to the agenda to look at later since the documents failed to upload.

Request Boards Signature on Letter of Authorization for Directors Signature on Annual Permits and Reporting to the Department of Ecology – Commissioner Wright moved to approve Boards signature on letter of authorization. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passes 2-0.

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Request Chair's Signature on Amendment with SCJ Alliance for the Event Center RV

Park – Commissioner Wright moved to approve Vice Chair’s signature on amendment with SCJ Alliance. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passed. 2-0

Request Board to Ratify Patti Stacey's Signature on Jacobs Work Order 8 for permitting

and Technical Services through Construction – A brief discussion was held on signing authority amounts. Commissioner Wright moved to ratify Patti Stacey’s signature on Jacobs’s work order number 8. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passed. 2-0

Ryegrass Septage Pond Update – Patti informed the Board that the testing of the lagoon is complete, and the report shows there a three holes in the liner and that she declared emergency to fix the problem and has requested approval from the Department of Ecology to pump supernate into Pond four while repairs are being completed to Pond one.

Request Board Approve for Patti Stacey to sign Department of Commerce CEF 5

Electrification of Transportation Systems Grant – Patti informed the Board she received a grant in the amount of \$150,000 for charging stations. Commissioner Wright moved to approve Patti Stacey to sign the Grant. Commissioner Osiadacz seconded the motion. Motion passed 2-0.

Other Business - No Action to be taken. Discussion was held on the condition of the Jail including the leak from the outdoor rec and a leak in the kitchen and setting a special meeting to discuss the Courthouse and Jail with Finance, Sheriff, and Treasurer. Further discussion included different cost scenarios to discuss such as not having a jail and contracting out services, building a modular jail with add on capabilities, building a premium facility or repairing and rebuilding the current jail. Further discussion was held on the 40-year-old pipes in the building failing, the cost of the repairs, the fire sprinkler system, and the report from 4 years ago stating that it would be approximately 17 million to fix the Courthouse and Jail. The Board directed staff to reschedule the next Solid Waste Maintenance meeting to discuss further.

Concluded at 2:37 p.m.



Lisa Lawrence

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Laura Osiadacz, Vice- Chairman