

SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Record of the Proceedings

January 3, 1984

Tuesday, January 3, 1984

- 9:00 a.m. Public Works Department - Gene Sampley, Director.
1. Call for Bid - 70 H.P. Tractor.
 2. Signature for Transfer of Deeds - East Sauk Road.
 3. Signature for Prospectus of Rural Arterial Program.
 4. Equipment Rental Rates Review.
- Miscellaneous:
Public Works Department related items.
- 10:00 a.m. Adoption of Skagit County Tax Levies for 1984 - Paul Mahoney, County Assessor.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
- 11:00 a.m. Discussion - Funding for Child Abuse Program - Jere LaFollette
- 11:30 a.m. Parks, Recreation, and Senior Services - Jon Aarstad, Director
1. Discussion - Audit of 1981-82 Aging Provider Grants.
 2. Miscellaneous items.
- 1:30 p.m. Planning Commission Referred Items:
1. Sterling View Estates Preliminary Plat request of Nagatani Brothers, Inc.
 2. Rezone request #R-83-005 of John Milnor.
 3. Special Use request #SP-83-034 of Washington Loggers.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
- 2:30 p.m. Executive Session - Personnel and Labor Negotiations.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 3, 1984, with Commissioners Norris and Rohrer present. Commissioner Mansfield was not present. Chairman Norris chaired the meeting.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

Call for Bid - 70 H.P. Tractor

Gene Sampley presented a resolution to the board requesting that a Call for Bids be sent out for one (1) 70 hp tractor for the Public Works Department. Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to Call for Bids for one (1) 70 hp tractor. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. Resolution #9912.

Signature of Transfer of Deeds - East Sauk Road

Gene Sampley presented for signature only a Quit Claim Deed to formally transfer right-of-way deeds for the East Sauk Road #0860 to the Washington State Department of Transportation as authorized by Chapter 131, Laws of 1983. The deed was signed by Chairman Norris.

Signature for Prospectus of Rural Arterial Program

Gene Sampley submitted two Rap Project Prospectus(s), both of which are for the Gunderson Road. The RATA funds requested total \$448,000. Commissioner Norris signed the prospectus(s).

Equipment Rental Rates Review

Gene Sampley presented for review the 1984 recommended equipment rental rates. There was a brief discussion. No action by the Board was required.

Miscellaneous

Gene Sampley presented three resolutions for road closure for January 14, 1984, from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon for a pedestrian foot race.

Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve Resolution #9913 for road closure of Mud Lake Road. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve Resolution #9914 for road closure of Francis Road. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve Resolution #9915 for road closure of Swan Road. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

ADOPTION OF SKAGIT COUNTY TAX LEVIES FOR 1984

Paul Mahoney, County Assessor, certified the amounts to be raised by taxation on the assessed valuation of the property in each district were within the legal and statutory limits of the law.

Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve and adopt the 1984 tax levies. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

MISCELLANEOUS

Robert Taylor, Commissioners Assistant, presented the Board with the following miscellaneous items:

1. Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve Warrant #33219 in the amount of \$7,723.66. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (R52)
2. Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve Warrants #8030 through #8082 in the amount of \$52,302.93. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (C61)

3. Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve Resolution #9910 provided a 3% salary increase for non-union employees of the Sheriff's Office and general Courthouse employees. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
4. Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve Resolution #9911 providing a 1% salary increase for non-union members of the Public Works Department. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
5. Mr. Taylor presented an agreement between Skagit County and Dr. Robert L. Coffey, M.D. to perform relating treatment of tuberculosis patients, for signature. Commissioner Norris signed the agreement.

FUNDING FOR CHILD ABUSE PROGRAM - JERE LAFOLLETTE

Jere LaFollette, director of the Skagit Counseling and Psychiatric Service explained that last year 700 cases of child abuse were reported in Skagit County. Many referrals show serious problems that need to have social work intervention. The work needed often involves the entire family. While the Department of Social and Health Services has responsibility of investigating and the courts follow-up with prosecution, there is no agency in Washington that is mandated to follow-up with counseling. This job has fallen to mental health facilities. Jere's agency applied for and received funds from the Juvenile Justice System. Funds have also been received from United Way. This specific problem of child abuse does not meet any guidelines for on-going acutely ill programs administered by the state. The legislature has not defined this as a state problem, but a community problem and must be handled at that level.

Nancy Larson, social worker with SCPS, stated that in 1981 they worked with 48 cases. This last year's cases amount to 125. Sixty percent of the referrals came from DSHS but word-of-mouth communication is now bringing in referrals from many different sources. Counseling techniques used with the children have been very helpful in getting guilty pleas for the courts. Most families usually require counseling anywhere from six months to one and one-half years.

Yvonne Messick, social worker with DSHS, Protective Services Unit, stated that sexual abuse of children reports have been increasing at an alarming rate and her unit had several years ago requested that Jere LaFollette and his staff create a counseling and therapy program targeted at this situation. She has brought this up to state officials on many occasions, but to date no funds have been provided.

Jere LaFollette requested that the County contribute \$15,000 to Skagit Counseling and Psychiatric Services to help resolve the problem of child abuse in Skagit County.

Commissioner Norris suggested their agency contact a lobbying group, such as Washington Association of Counties or a cities association to work with the legislature to bring about some funding. Commissioner Norris said the Board would take the request for \$15,000 under advisement and get back to Jere with their decision.

PARKS, RECREATION AND SENIOR SERVICES - Jon Aarstad, Director.

Jon Aarstad brought the Board up to date on the 1981-82 Senior Services Audit conducted by the Northwest Regional Council. All matters have been reviewed by Duane Kline, and Jon and the necessary corrections have been made.

PLANNING COMMISSION REFERRED ITEMS

1. Sterling View Estates Preliminary Plat request of Nagatani Brothers, Inc.

Commissioner Norris stated this particular matter had a long history behind and felt that it should be heard with a full board present. Commissioner Norris made a motion to continue this matter for one week to January 9, 1984, at 2 P.M. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

2. Rezone request #R-83-005 of John Milnor.

The Skagit County Planning Commission, per Steve Wood of the Permit Center, has considered and deliberated on the proposed rezone request of John Milnor to reclassify approximately 13 acres from agricultural reserve to rural. The Planning Commission held a Public Hearing on December 12, 1983, and recommended that the rezone request be denied. The applicant was encouraged to apply for a Variance Permit through the Hearing Examiner process and that the rezone application fee be applied toward the variance application fee.

Commissioner Norris made a motion to uphold the Planning Commission's decision of denial without prejudice. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

3. Special Use request #SP-83-034 of Washington Loggers.

Commissioner Norris requested this matter to be continued as he had received several calls from neighbors who had trouble attending the Planning Commission meetings. Louie Requa spoke in behalf of the applicant and had no objection to the continuance.

Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to continue the matter for two weeks to January 16, 1984, at 1:30 p.m. Commissioner Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

Miscellaneous Items - Planning Department

Otto Walberg, Senior Planner, presented the Board with a contract for professional services with Skagit Conservation District for signature. The Board signed the contract.

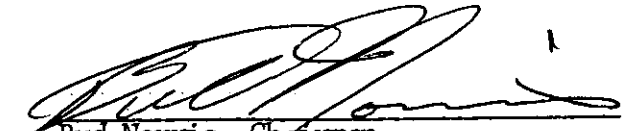
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Robert Taylor, Commissioners Assistant, presented the following miscellaneous items:

1. Mr. Taylor presented a letter from NACo requesting an increase in Skagit County's 1984 dues to \$900.00. Commissioner Rohrer made a motion to approve the increase. Commissioner Norris seconded it. The motion was carried and so ordered.
2. Mr. Taylor presented a request from Mike Mitchell to accept the report and findings regarding the Wisconsin Mound System and the Oregon Sand Filter System. experiences and adopt these systems for Skagit County. The Board directed Mr. Taylor to place this matter on the agenda for the Board of Health.

The meeting was adjourned.

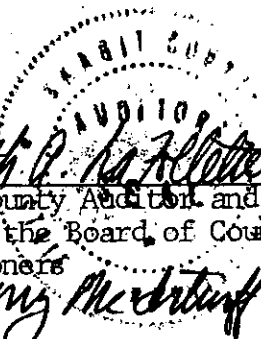

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Bud Norris, Chairman

Jerry Mansfield, Commissioner


Dave Rohrer, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Skagit County Auditor and Ex-Officio
Clerk of the Board of County
Commissioners
