

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, April 2, 1984

9:00 a.m. Board of Health

1. Reconsideration of variance request of James DePree, Jr., to allow commercial use of a sand filter sewage disposal system for the proposed relocated Edison Tavern (Variance from Board of Health Resolution #9082).

10:30 a.m. Discussion - Skagit County Centennial Committee Financial Report - Debbie Aldrich and Rita Yapple.

11:00 a.m. Bid Opening - 1984-85 Skagit County Legal Printing.

11:30 a.m. Discussion - Antenna proposal for County Administration Building - Tom Sheahan, Emergency Services Director.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

2:00 p.m. Planning Department - Bob Schofield, Director:

1. Jack Postlewait Appeal of Skagit County Hearing Examiner Denial of Floodplain Variance Request #FV-1-84.
2. Planning Commission Referred Items:
 - a. Rezone Request #R-84-002 of William P. Christensen.
 - b. Rezone Request #R-84-004 of Michael Kerr.
 - c. Rezone Request #R-84-005 of Skagit County.
 - d. Rezone Request #R-84-006 of Skagit County.
 - e. Timber Open Space Request #1-85 of Michael Sircovich.
 - f. Timber Open Space Request #14-85 of Fred Parks and Pat Wheat.
 - g. Timber Open Space Request #23-85 of Joseph Morrison.
 - h. Timber Open Space Request #34-85 of Bernard Hansen.
 - i. Timber Open Space Request #25-85 of Kenneth Abel.

- j. Timber Open Space Request #44-85 of James Evans.
- k. Timber Open Space Request #56-85 of Lloyd Morgan.
- l. Timber Open Space Request #17-85 of Fred Lahrmann.

3. Miscellaneous items.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on the above date. Commissioners Norris, Rohrer and Mansfield were present.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

- 1. Reconsideration of variance request of James DePree, Jr., to allow commercial use of a sand filter sewage disposal system for the proposed relocated Edison Tavern (Variance from Board of Health Resolution #9082).

Tom Karsh, Environmental Health Specialist III, stated that the DePrees' sewage system designer, Lou Ankney, submitted a revised design for the Board's review. Mr. Karsh outlined the reasons listed in Resolution #9989 for denial of the first variance request to use a sand filter sewage system for a new tavern in Edison.

Mr. Karsh presented the Board with a memo containing a list of the changes made in the revised design and staff comments on the changes. The changes are as follows:

- a. The wastewater from the sand filter will be pressure distributed into a modified mound fill disposal bed. There will be at least one foot of suitable sandy fill material added to the proposed drainfield area and the wastewater evenly dosed by a pump into a gravel bed on top of this fill.
- b. Food menu will be restricted to normal bar snacks and pre-packaged sandwiches served on/with single-service utensils.
- c. Extremely low flow water fixtures will be installed and used in restrooms. Toilets and urinals will have less than one gallon cycles, and automatic shut-offs will be placed on faucets.
- d. A curtain drain surrounding the drainfield and emptying into the storm sewer pipe is proposed. The present connection to the storm sewer will be removed.

Mr. Karsh stated that following consideration of the revised proposal, the staff recommendation remained denial of the variance request. The staff recommendation is composed of the findings of Dr. J. K. Neils,

Health Officer, and Tom Karsh. Mr. Karsh noted that Dr. Neils was not available last week to discuss the revised proposal.

Dr. Neils stated that from a public health standpoint, the proposal is still not up to standards; however, social and economic issues are also involved.

Mr. Karsh stated that the use of the sand filter/mound system, as proposed, would appear to reduce the present health risk, but it is uncertain what the long-term risk might be. Ideally, steps should be taken to address the excessive failure rate of on-site sewage systems in the Edison area and to propose a long-term solution that is affordable to most property owners.

Dr. Neils stated that, if approved, this system would be obligated to meet the health standards. In the future, if the system is not able to meet these standards, it may create a hardship for the owner.

Commissioner Mansfield stated that if there is a solution, it was not up to him to deny the variance request. He understands both sides of the issue, but stated that the Board of Health should not be used to make political decisions. Historically the property in question has been commercially used, and it is zoned Commercial.

Commissioner Rohrer stated that he favored working out a solution.

Chairman Norris invited those present to provide input.

Mrs. Bullo, 1205 Gilmore Avenue, Edison, asked what recourse the property owners would have if this system was approved and later failed, causing wastewater to seep onto neighboring properties. Mr. Karsh responded that the tavern would lose its license if it did not meet health requirements. He went on to explain the curtain drain system proposed for the property.

Gene Lennartz stated that this establishment is not a food establishment, and the proposed system is far superior to the previous system.

John Redifer, 579 Main Street, Edison, asked if the curtain drain would stop any water draining off the property. Mr. Karsh explained the purpose of a curtain drain, and stated that the storm sewer system would have to be checked into to see who operates it.

Lou Ankney, the sewage system designer for the project, stated that a shallow curtain drain is being proposed even though it is not needed. He stated that this is not a restaurant.

Ed Milkowski, 1211 McCoy Court, Edison, stated that his property is the lowest property in Edison, and he is fully behind the DePrees' venture.

Dana Rust, 582 Cains Court, Edison, asked if he can also get a variance for a sand filter sewage system across the street from the proposed

tavern. Mr. Karsh stated that each proposal would be reviewed on an individual basis.

Commissioner Mansfield stated that if approved, this system would be the best system in Edison.

Carol Quinsey, 1208 Gilmore Avenue, Edison, stated that she lives across the street from the proposed tavern and is still concerned.

David Hall, 585 Farm to Market Road, Edison, stated his concerns about the curtain drain. He feels there is a game going on in Edison, where people raise the level of their property to allow the water to drain onto their neighbors.

Howard Rockafellow, 1525 Cook Road Ext., Bow, stated that for two years the daily average of water used was 299 gallons, which is less than a residential use. Also, with the water savers proposed, this would decrease the water use considerably. Tom Karsh pointed out the staff comment concurring with Mr. Rockafellow's comment.

John Blau, 892 Halloran Road, Bow, stated that historically this property supported a residence and a large business. The objective presently should be to improve the septic system, rather than allow the present system to pollute.

John Redifer stated that there has been no official survey done on who is for or against the proposed tavern. Commissioner Mansfield stated that the Board of Health cannot make a health decision based on the number of petitions received.

Gene Lennartz suggested approving the system on a three or four year trial basis. Chairman Norris pointed out that this could be a costly proposal, if the DePrees were forced to close if the system failed. Mr. Lennartz stated that they could cross that bridge if they came to it.

Chairman Norris pointed out that the soils and groundwater in that area prohibit the perfect system.

David Hall explained the map he prepared showing residents opposed to the tavern.

Glenn Plambeck, 566 Smith Avenue, Edison, stated that he has several septic systems in the area that have problems.

Mrs. Leonard Lee, 1212 E. Gilmore Avenue, Edison, stated that her septic system works great because it is on a lot of acreage. The systems that are on small lots are the ones with the problems.

Mrs. Bullo stated that she has a right to express her opinion. Although she is not for the tavern, she will live with it if it is approved.

Denise Rockafellow asked if the trailer presently on the property dumps into the septic system. Mr. Karsh explained that there are presently two septic systems on the property. One system served the grocery store, and the other system was installed in approximately 1969 to serve the 3-bedroom trailer.

Commissioner Norris stated that the Health Department does not investigate septic systems unless there is a complaint.

Mr. Karsh stated that at this time there is no observable failure of the septic system on the property. But if the owner of the property is correct, there is a failure because the pipe directs treated sewage into the storm system.

Commissioner Mansfield motioned to approve the variance request of James DePree, Jr., to allow commercial use of a sand filter sewage disposal system for the proposed relocated Edison Tavern. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion.

Chairman Norris stated that he did not have a problem with violating the policy of allowing sand filter sewage systems for only residential uses. The small lot size, poor soil quality, and high groundwater level were his concerns.

Commissioner Mansfield stated that not allowing this improved system to be installed, and allowing the old system to continue, would damage the County. He stated that this decision would not set a precedent in any way.

Chairman Norris stated that the policy of approving sand filter sewage systems only for residential use should be reconsidered.

Commissioners Mansfield and Rohrer voted to approve the variance request. Chairman Norris was opposed. The motion was carried and so ordered.

DISCUSSION - SKAGIT COUNTY CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE FINANCIAL REPORT - Debbie Aldrich and Rita Yaple.

Debbie Aldrich and Rita Yaple, Treasurer, of the Skagit County Centennial Committee, reviewed their Financial Report with the Board.

The Board asked that all income be shown on the initial page of the report, including the County's contribution.

Ms Aldrich stated that of the 5,000 almanacs initially printed, they have 4,000 left. They would like to obtain money to pay the printing costs and then donate the almanacs to the Visitors Information Center to be distributed. The calendars were made in late 1983, before the committee was formed. When the committee was formed in February of 1984, they distributed the calendars to the best of their abilities. Aside from publications, the Centennial Committee also distributed balloons,

buttons, and brochures. The committee, made up of approximately seven volunteers, spent many hours distributing information.

Ms Aldrich stated that the committee would like to pay off their printing bill, close the books, and disban the committee.

Commissioner Mansfield motioned to provide federal revenue sharing funds to pay the Centennial Committee's printing debt, and thus close the books. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

BID OPENING - 1984-85 SKAGIT COUNTY LEGAL PRINTING.

Chairman Norris stated that Robert Taylor, Commissioners' Assistant, had received communications from a weekly newspaper indicating that the wording of the Notice of Call for Bids did not allow a weekly newspaper to bid.

Mr. Taylor read the second paragraph of the notice, indicating that "Said printing must be published by the end of the week in which said action is taken," was the sentence in question.

Chairman Norris stated that the sentence could be removed from the notice, but the Board would still reserve the right to chose the lowest and best bid.

Dan Berentson, of The Skagit Argus, stated that no weekly paper currently qualifies to bid because of the above mentioned statement. He suggested eliminating that statement and reissuing the Call for Bids.

Robert Taylor, stated that he had checked with the Prosecuting Attorney, and the County can remove that wording and extend the notice.

Leighton Wood, of the Skagit Valley Herald, said removal of the above mentioned wording would limit the County to when they could conduct their business.

Chairman Norris pointed out that only the wording prohibiting weekly newspapers from bidding would be removed.

Commissioner Mansfield stated that a newspaper's circulation should be a factor, in order to get the notices to the most people.

Mr. Berentson questioned why the County would even call for bids if only one newspaper could meet the qualifications. Chairman Norris stated that a weekly newspaper could change its publishing date to Thursday or Friday. The County wants to bring the news to the people as soon as possible.

The Board agreed to remove the wording in question.

Mr. Berentson pointed out that 29 out of 39 counties use a weekly newspaper.

Commissioner Rohrer stated that he always favored the paper that could get to the most people the quickest.

Mr. Wood stated that the reason many counties use weekly papers is because they don't have the population to support a daily paper. Mr. Berentson reasoned that many counties who support a daily paper use a weekly for their legal printing because it is much cheaper.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to extend the bid opening for County legal printing until 11:00 a.m. on April 23, 1984, for the purpose of changing the wording in the Notice of Call for Bids as previously discussed. Commissioner Mansfield seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION - ANTENNA PROPOSAL FOR COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING - Tom Sheahan, Emergency Services Director.

Tom Sheahan, Emergency Services Director, explained the proposed system to locate antennas on the south face of the County Administration Building on top of the elevator shaft. Darryl Curtis of DuCap Electronics was present.

Chairman Norris asked where the money was coming from for this project. Mr. Sheahan stated that the money is already allocated in their budget.

Chairman Norris questioned how the proposed antennas would look. Mr. Sheahan responded that paint colored to match the brick would be used on the bracing.

The Board thanked Mr. Sheahan for his presentation.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

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

1. The Board decided to postpone certifying the 1983 Skagit County Inventory until the inventories for Skagit County Fairgrounds and District Court were completed. Duane Kline, Budget and Finance Director, stated that each department certifies their own inventory.

Chairman Norris instructed Mr. Taylor to draft a letter to the Fairgrounds instructing them to deliver their inventory certification immediately.

2. Commissioner Mansfield motioned to deny the Taxpayer's Claim for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property for Kyle Watts, 812 Nicholson Road, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284, for

tax year 1984, as recommended by the Assessor. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (#564)

3. The Board reviewed the following Taxpayer's Claims for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property:
 - a. Lyle K. Peterson, 2019 Dry Slough Road, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, in the amount of \$920.00, for tax year 1985. (#563)
 - b. Lester C. Merritt, 898 Bayview Edison Road, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, in the amount of \$1,580.00, for tax year 1985. (#561)

Commissioner Mansfield motioned to approve the above listed Taxpayer's Claims for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

4. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, March 13, 1984, and Wednesday, March 14, 1984. Chairman Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
5. Commissioner Mansfield motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Monday, March 26, 1984, and Tuesday, March 27, 1984. Chairman Norris seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
6. Commissioner Mansfield motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Wyndham G. Morris, 2007 10th Street, Anacortes, Washington 98221, in the amount of \$41.20, for a senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #844479)
7. Commissioner Mansfield motioned to approve for signature the amendment to the Skagit County Medical Bureau Group Health Care Service Contract for Skagit County Employees, extending same coverage to County employees when they retire. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman Norris pointed out that this provision will cost the County as people retire, even though they will reimburse the County for the actual premium.

PLANNING DEPARTMENT - Bob Schofield, Director:

1. Jack Postlewait Appeal of Skagit County Hearing Examiner Denial of Floodplain Variance Request #FV-1-84.

Steve Wood, of the Permit Center, read the Notice of Appeal submitted by Craig P. Hayes, attorney, on behalf of Jack Postlewait. He then read the Hearing Examiner's Findings of Fact, which concluded that the appellant

was in violation of the Skagit County Flood Prevention Ordinance, and ordered that the mobile home be removed from the property within 30 days.

Chairman Norris asked if a conventional home could have been legally placed on the property. Mr. Wood responded that if a Registered Professional Engineer Certification was obtained for a conventional home, it would be satisfactory. He continued that according to FEMA, mobile homes are prohibited from placement in floodways because mobile homes are much more subject to damage and possibly floating away and causing damage to someone else's property. Failure to comply with such laws may result in the loss of flood insurance in this area.

Craig P. Hayes, attorney for Mr. and Mrs. Postlewait, quoted a case from Michigan in 1981 stating mobile homes are no different than site built homes with respect to safety and other concerns. He presented the Board with a copy of the Certification by Gwynne D. LeGro, Registered Professional Engineer, stating that the mobile home was not a hazard in the event of a flood.

Chairman Norris asked if site built homes were also restricted in the floodway. Mr. Wood responded that site built homes were permitted in the floodway if a certification by a registered professional engineer or architect is provided demonstrating that encroachments shall not result in any increase in flood levels during the occurrence of the base flood discharge. The Skagit County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance (Chapter 15.20 of the Skagit County Code) continues by stating that the placement of any mobile home in the floodway is prohibited except in an existing mobile home park or existing mobile home subdivision. Mr. Wood explained that the County became aware of the violation when a neighbor made a complaint to the County.

Chairman Norris asked if a permit had been obtained for the garage built near the mobile home. Mr. Wood stated that the garage had been constructed without a permit. With an Engineer's Certification, the garage would be allowed, but not the mobile home.

Mr. Hayes pointed out that recently mobile homes were located across the river in Sedro Woolley.

Jack Postlewait, 2251 South Skagit Highway, stated that in 1974 a septic system was installed on his property. In 1975 or 1976 they understood they could place a 3-bedroom home on the property. In 1983 they installed their mobile home. Mr. Postlewait pointed out that there are mobile homes across the river in Sedro Woolley. He stated that when it floods, everything goes to the other side of the river anyway.

Chairman Norris asked if Sedro Woolley has a flood ordinance. Mr. Wood stated that he thought so.

Mr. Postlewait stated that he cleared his neighbor's lot when he cleared his, and the very same neighbor turned him in to the County for putting a mobile home on his property. He stated that in approximately 1981, he

put a bulkhead on his property. In late 1982 he built a garage, and in November of 1983, he placed his mobile home. There are eleven mobile homes in the area, and all owners are in favor of the Postlewaits being allowed to remain. The property owners who are against them are residents of other counties who just come up to camp. Mr. Postlewait asked why he couldn't put a cement foundation under his house. He said he and his wife were willing to sign a release from holding Skagit County responsible if anything happened.

Chairman Norris explained that the federal government has leverage on the County if codes aren't followed. The government has the ability to affect bank loans, etc., and requires that we have and adhere to a flood ordinance.

Randy Alsessor stated that he has lived near the Postlewaits' property since 1959 and has seen three floods. In his opinion, the Postlewaits' mobile home is plenty safe.

Ted Allen, 637 Warren Street, Sedro Woolley, asked for a definition of floodway. Mr. Wood responded that the 100-year floodway is established by the Corps of Engineers. He defined floodway and floodway fringe.

Phil Stern stated that he has lived on the Skagit River for over 23 years and can't understand how a flood could hurt the Postlewaits.

Mr. Wood stated that the County has made variances for site built homes in the floodway.

John Moffat, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, cited another section of the Skagit County Code concurring with the Skagit County Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance.

Commissioner Mansfield stated that mobile homes aren't as they used to be. They presently seem to be just as adaptable as site built homes.

Chairman Norris stated that in view of the advances made with mobile homes, we should review this section of the policy.

Commissioner Rohrer concurred, noting that the policies should be reviewed before making a decision on this matter.

Commissioner Mansfield stated that there has to be enforcement of policies to some extent.

Chairman Norris stated that enforcement is a problem because of a lack of staff members, but the staff is trying to implement the policies that are set.

John Moffat explained that the Board could hold their own hearing on the matter, approve the decision of the Hearing Examiner to deny the floodplain variance request, or remand the decision of the Hearing Examiner.

Commissioner Mansfield motioned that the Board remand the Postlewait variance request to the Hearing Examiner, allowing ample time to review the policy restrictions. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. Planning Commission Referred Items:

a. Rezone Request #R-84-002 of William P. Christensen.

Otto Walberg, of the Planning Department, stated that the applicant desires to rezone approximately one acre from Rural Intermediate to Commercial/Limited Industrial to allow the construction of a second story to an existing motel structure. The Planning Commission recommended approval because the motel has been in operation since 1962 and the Rural Intermediate designation was an oversight by the Planning Department.

Commissioner Mansfield motioned to adopt the resolution approving Rezone Request #R-84-002 of William P. Christensen to reclassify approximately one acre from Rural Intermediate to Commercial/Limited Industrial. (Resolution #10012)

b. Rezone Request #R-84-004 of Michael Kerr.

Otto Walberg, of the Planning Department, stated that the applicant wished to reclassify approximately .5 acre from Residential to Multi-Family in order to utilize an existing residential structure as a duplex, (2098 Hermway Heights, Mount Vernon). Based on noncompliance with the South Central District Comprehensive Plan Text and Map, and lack of change of circumstances since the adoption of the Zoning Map on October 25, 1983, the Planning Commission recommended denial of Michael Kerr's rezone request.

Karen Beckner, 2095 Hermway Heights, Mount Vernon, presented a petition of residents against the rezone.

Commissioner Mansfield motioned to deny Rezone Request #R-84-004 of Michael Kerr to reclassify a .5 acre parcel from Residential to Multi-Family Residential. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10013)

c. Rezone Request #R-84-005 of Skagit County.

Otto Walberg, of the Planning Department, explained that this is a County initiated rezone with respect to the J & J Egg Farm property at 930 Avon Allen Road, Bow. The Planning Commission recommended approval based on the fact that the poultry farm has been in operation for numerous years and the Rural Intermediate designation was an oversight during the planning process.

Letters were submitted from Michael K. Olpin, M.D., 1479 Bradley Road, Bow; Stephen J. Kerley, Principal of Allen School; and the Skagit County Health Department regarding opposition to the proposed rezone because of present poultry practices. Mr. Walberg explained that if the necessary improvements are to be made to the poultry farm, the zoning should be changed to allow this. The use of the property has already been grandfathered.

Chairman Norris stated that the Air Pollution Authority and the Health Department should work together to resolve this complaint.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adopt the resolution approving the Skagit County initiated Rezone #R-84-005 to reclassify approximately 9.5 acres from Rural Intermediate to Agriculture. Commissioner Mansfield seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10014)

d. Rezone Request #R-84-006 of Skagit County.

Otto Walberg, of the Planning Department, stated that this rezone was sponsored by Skagit County to reclassify approximate 75 acres from Agriculture to Commercial/Limited Industrial in the area bounded by Anderson Road, Blodgett Road, the City Limits of Mount Vernon, and Frontage Road. The rezone was to correct an error made on the zoning map. The Planning Commission recommended approval of the rezone based on the fact that the zoning should reflect the present and past use of the land; the property is not prime agricultural property because of the size, modifications and improvements present; and the entire area north of Anderson Road should be rezoned to Commercial/Limited Industrial only when the need is demonstrated.

Chairman Norris stated that he had received a letter from the Glovers, who own land south of the area in question, stating their opposition to the rezone. Mr. and Mrs. Glover were present.

Frank Brailer stated that he represented three property owners at once at the Planning Commission hearing. He stated that the property owners would like an opportunity to have this matter heard again, since they are in the area and could be present.

Chairman Norris asked the Planning Department to check into the zoning of another area nearby, specifically the strip of land on Blodgett Road, from Blackburn to Anderson.

Joe Soler said he thought the only commercial lots in the area were owned by Mr. Coons and Mr. Petzelka.

Commissioner Mansfield motioned to remand this item back to the Planning Commission. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

e. Timber Open Space Request #1-85 of Michael Sircovich.

Otto Walberg, of the Planning Department, stated the Planning Commission recommended approval of this Open Space Request because it met the necessary criteria.

Commissioner Mansfield motioned to adopt the resolution approving the Timber Open Space Request #1-85 of Michael Sircovich, and also the accompanying Open Space Taxation Agreement. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10017)

- f. Timber Open Space Request #14-85 of Fred Parks and Pat Wheat. (Res. #10018)
- g. Timber Open Space Request #23-85 of Joseph Morrison. (Res. #10019)
- h. Timber Open Space Request #34-85 of Bernard Hansen. (Res. #10020)
- i. Timber Open Space Request #25-85 of Kenneth Abel. (Res. #10021)
- j. Timber Open Space Request #44-85 of James Evans. (Res. #10022)
- k. Timber Open Space Request #56-85 of Lloyd Morgan. (Res. #10023)
- l. Timber Open Space Request #17-85 of Fred Lahrmann. (Res. #10024)

Bob Schofield, Director of the Planning Department, stated that the above listed Timber Open Space Requests did not meet the necessary criteria for approval. The Planning Commission recommended denial based on the lack of substantiation by the landowners that the sites will be utilized for timber purposes in an acceptable manner, and the fact that the benefit to the general public would be minimal.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to deny the above listed Timber Open Space Requests. Commissioner Mansfield seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. Miscellaneous items.

Robert Schofield, Director of the Planning Department, presented the following items:

- a. The Planning Department received a complaint from Paul Meaney, 2072 Gripp Road, Sedro Woolley, regarding drainage onto his property. Don Nelson, Flood Control Engineer, stated that it has been a very wet year, but the situation is probably aggravated by Mr. Dodd's sawmill, which has been closed down. There doesn't appear to be any immediate solution, since the mill has been closed down.
- b. A part-time building inspector will be needed for one month while Gene Feden is on vacation. Lloyd Cook from Materials Testing is available to work half days everyday for \$1,440 to \$1,600 per month. The Board asked if this might create a conflict with another concrete

company in the area, and asked Mr. Schofield to investigate the matter further.


- c. Commissioner Rohrer was directed to consider appointing a new Board of Adjustment member from his district to fill a vacancy.
- d. The Board was informed that due to new SEPA regulations in effect, advertising costs have increased. The Board gave permission for the Planning Department to increase their fees to compensate for this.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Mansfield seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

ATTEST



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Jerry Mansfield
Skagit County Auditor
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Board of County Commissioners

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Jerry Mansfield, Commissioner

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