

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, January 22, 1985

Flag Salute

8:30 a.m. Road Supervisors - Public Works Department.

9:00 a.m. Public Works Department - Gene Sampley, Director:

1. Resolution - Letters of Interest - Sheriff's Office.
2. Signature - Final Order of Vacation - Plat of the City of North Anacortes.
3. Discussion - Engineering Parking.
4. Discussion - Emergency Operating Procedures.
5. Miscellaneous Items.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1:30 p.m. Continuation of Appeal of Hearing Examiner's Decision Regarding Special Use Request #SP-84-026 of Concrete Nor'West.

2:30 p.m. Tour of Incineration Plant - March Point.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 22, 1985, with Commissioners Vaux, Walberg and Rohrer present.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Gene Sampley, Director:

1. Resolution - Letters of Interest - Sheriff's Office.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt a resolution authorizing the Auditor to issue a Request for Letters of Interest from consultants to design and prepare bid documents for the construction of a new Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10352) Letters of Interest and Statements of Qualifications must be submitted to the Skagit County Public Works Department by February 19, 1985.

2. Signature - Final Order of Vacation - Plat of the City of North Anacortes.

Gene Sampley reviewed with the Board the action taken with regard to this vacation in 1984. He stated that a portion of the abandoned right-of-way will not be vacated to the adjacent property owner, as the owner has no interest in paying the cost of the abandoned right-of-way.

In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the Final Order of Vacation of various roads in the Plat of the

City of North Anacortes to the following adjacent property owners: Roy V. Callero, Judy Jones and Nancy Bingham, and Ellen Christensen.

3. Discussion - Engineering Parking.

Gene Sampley explained the circumstances around the covered parking at the north end of the Administration Building, and requested that the parking space previously designated for the Engineering Department be returned due to lack of demonstrated need as a loading zone. He explained that a designated loading zone was immediately outside the building at the curb.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to designate one of the covered parking spaces an Engineering Department parking space. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

4. Discussion - Emergency Operating Procedures.

Tom Sheahan, Director of Emergency Services, explained the four phases of an emergency:

- a. Preparedness or warning;
- b. Response;
- c. Recovery or assessment of damages; and
- d. Mitigation, which includes repairs to an extent that the area won't be impacted during the next similar emergency.

Don Nelson, Operations Manager in times of flooding, noted that anyone can call 336-9488 to receive river gauge information at both Mount Vernon and Concrete. He stated that this information is updated daily, and during emergency flooding times it is updated hourly.

He explained the phases of a flood emergency, including:

- a. Watch, which is often during warmer weather;
- b. Flood alert, which includes reading the rivers on an hourly basis and alerting the Flood Fight Team, the Board of Commissioners and the public; and
- c. Flooding, during which time employees man two 12-hour shifts to monitor the flood;

Mr. Nelson explained the Flood Fight exercise which takes place each October with the Flood Fight Team and the Corps of Engineers.

Discussion followed regarding the responsibilities and priorities of emergency situations. It was emphasized that all requests for assistance should be referred to the Public Works Department (Emergency Services).

The Board thanked Gene Sampley, Tom Sheahan and Don Nelson for their reports.

5. Miscellaneous Items.

The following miscellaneous Public Works Department items were addressed:

- a. Roger Howard, Architectural Development Coordinator, presented the Board with cost estimates for the 1985 facilities projects, including jail acoustics, Sheriff's Office, Courthouse roof, restroom restorations, Prosecutor's Office/boiler room remodel, and Blade Building roof.

He stated that the documents for the mechanical and electrical systems will be the critical areas of need for an architectural firm in designing the new Sheriff's Office. The Board concurred that consultant services should be used for the major projects, with County staff handling the minor projects for 1985, due to the administrative load on staff caused by the larger projects.

- b. A discussion was held regarding monitoring the use of Inman Pit. The Board suggested the possibility of only accepting waste from Skagit County, since space at the Inman Pit is limited at this time.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Bob Taylor, Administrative Officer, presented the following miscellaneous items:

1. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrants #37001 through #37042 in the amount of \$44,273.51. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (R-1)
2. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrant #51 in the amount of \$850.00. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (C-3)
3. The Board approved for signature the following Contracts for Professional Services with the Skagit County Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Department:
 - a. Ron Huffstadt, 2009 Riverside Mobil Park, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, for services consisting of basketball official and scorer. This contract is in effect January 12, through December 31, 1985, and compensation shall be as follows: Basketball official - \$10 per junior high league and \$12 per slowbreak and over 30's; and Scorer - \$6 per game for fastbreak and slowbreak, and \$5 per game for junior high league.
 - b. Becky Reynolds, c/o Skagit Valley College Athletic Department, for services consisting of junior basketball coach and junior high league scorer. This contract is in effect January 19,

through March 30, 1985, and compensation shall be \$5 per hour as coach, and \$5 per game as scorer.

4. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution reaffirming Resolution #10134 denying Skagit County Development Corporation (SCDC) Special Use Request #SP-84-002. (Resolution #10353)
5. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adopt the resolution clarifying the policy of longevity pay for eligible, non-union employees of the Skagit County Sheriff's Office. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10354)

CONTINUATION OF APPEAL OF HEARING EXAMINER'S DECISION REGARDING SPECIAL USE REQUEST #SP-84-026 OF CONCRETE NOR'WEST.

Grace Roeder, of the Permit Center, offered the entire file of Concrete Nor'West Special Use Request #SP-84-026 (construction and operation of an asphalt plant) into the record, including photos, maps, and the Appeal of the Hearing Examiner's Decision made by Gary T. Jones, attorney for Samish River Park and Billy R. Smith. She read the Hearing Examiner's reconsideration order addressing Mr. Jones's remarks made in the appeal.

Mr. Jones introduced Dean Wood of the Salmon Culture Division of the Washington State Fisheries Department, who told of an incident in 1982 which washed out a portion of the Fisheries Department's riprap of the Samish River streambank. He contributed this incident to percolation of a pond on the Concrete Nor'West property.

Mike Crawford, Vice-President and General Manager of Concrete Nor'West, stated that the pond is outside the area included in the Special Use Permit.

Commissioner Walberg asked if the Washington State Fisheries Department required any permits for the proposed project. Mr. Dean Wood stated that to the best of his knowledge, no permits were required from the Fisheries Department.

Mr. Jones stated that his clients feel there is information available which should be considered in a new public hearing before the Board of Commissioners. He felt the Hearing Examiner had prejudged the application because he is also the Director of the Planning Department and Permit Center. Mr. Jones stated that property owners directly across Highway 99 from the proposed project area were not notified of the application, which caused a lack of preparedness for the Hearing Examiner's hearing. Mr. Jones noted concern regarding possible contamination of groundwater supplies from oil runoff, and the lack of equipment specifications to be used. In conclusion, he requested that the Board of County Commissioners hold their own public hearing.

In answer to a question from Commissioner Walberg, Mr. Jones stated that he felt the Hearing Examiner's decision failed to address the Surface Mining Act.

Billy Smith said he originally notified the residents of Samish River Park as soon as he was notified.

Mr. Crawford said they received no notification regarding the Fisheries' slide which was supposedly caused by their pond. He stated that their pond has an outlet and also accepts surface water. He continued to rebut the comments made by Mr. Jones, and stated that he felt there were adequate conditions placed on the project to protect the groundwater from contamination.

In response to a question from Commissioner Rohrer, Mr. Crawford stated that Concrete Nor'West began use of the pit site in 1953.

Tom Colson, of Lakeside Industries, said at this time, they are unsure as to what particular asphalt plant will be installed.

Mr. Smith stated that he was not questioning who was in the area first, as he moved there in 1976. He stated that he has already had to drill one new well because of surface water contamination.

Clare Blouin, 708 Old Highway 99 North, Burlington, stated that her home was there in 1934.

In response to a question from Chairman Vaux, Mr. Jones stated that the conditions set forth by the Hearing Examiner would supposedly prevent a recurrence of the slide situation.

Mr. Crawford acknowledged that the slide occurred from Concrete Nor'West property.

Mr. Smith stated that he performed all of the cleanup of seven inches of mud on his property himself.

Kathleen Needham, Secretary of Samish River Park, stated that there are 12 residents of Samish River Park who are within 300 feet of the outside boundary of the Concrete Nor'West property. They also question the future quality of their water.

Mr. Smith objected to the muddy water he already has running onto his property and the hours of operation of the present concrete plant. He asked that if the project be allowed, more restrictive hours of operation be instituted and all garbage on the site be removed, not simply covered with dirt.

Jim McRae, 1842 Prairie Road, stated that he owns a farm directly across the river from the Concrete Nor'West property. He felt more questions need to be answered regarding the stability of the river bank.

In answer to a question from Commissioner Walberg, Grace Roeder was not aware of any correspondence from the Health Department to the Planning Department or Permit Center with regard to this matter. She stated that she did not know if property owners in the area were notified of the reconsideration.

Following additional discussion, Chairman Vaux motioned to schedule a public hearing to consider the appeal of Concrete Nor'West Special Use Request #SP-84-026 for 1:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 5, 1985. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. Commissioner Rohrer voted against the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

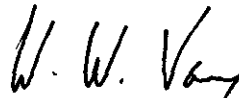
Bob Taylor, Administrative Officer, presented the following miscellaneous items:

1. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrants #1 through #47 in the amount of \$47,453.02. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (C-1)
2. Commissioner Walberg motioned to enter into a real estate agreement to purchase the Moen Building, to be used for the Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Department, for \$212,000, subject to the terms and conditions of the agreement. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT


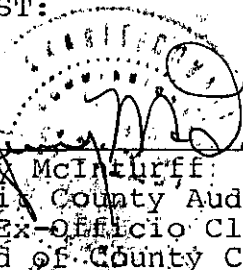
Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

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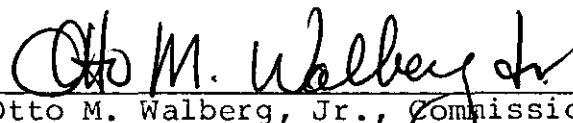


W. W. Vaux, Chairman

ATTEST:



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



Otto M. Walberg, Jr., Commissioner



Dave Rohrer, Commissioner