

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, April 29, 1985

Flag Salute

- 8:45 a.m. Proclamation - Private Property Week.
- 9:00 a.m. Consideration of Resolution Declaring Skagit County a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone.
- 10:30 a.m. Discussion - Microfilming County Records - Mike Deering, Kodak.
- 11:00 a.m. Presentation of Skagit Conservation District Annual Report - Tyler Clark.
- 11:30 a.m. Board of Health - Work load versus staffing in the Environmental Health Section of the Skagit County Health Department.
- 1:30 p.m. Discussion - Proposal for Skagit County's Paralytic Shellfish Monitoring Program - Darlene Madenwald.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

- 2:30 p.m. Executive Session - Personnel, Labor Negotiations.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, April 29, 1985, with Commissioners Vaux, Walberg and Rohrer present.

PROCLAMATION - PRIVATE PROPERTY WEEK.

Jim Koetje, of the Skagit County Board of Realtors, read the proposed proclamation designating April 28 through May 4, 1985, as Private Property Week in Skagit County.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to proclaim the week of April 28 through May 4, 1985, Private Property Week in Skagit County. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION DECLARING SKAGIT COUNTY A NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONE.

Chairman Vaux explained that should the Board decide to pass an ordinance declaring Skagit County a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone, a public hearing would be required prior to passage. However, passage of a resolution could be accomplished without a public hearing and at this meeting, should the Board decide to do so.

Chairman Vaux read a portion of Resolution #10185, which authorized the advisory ballot regarding "designating Skagit County as a Nuclear Free Zone and mandating an ordinance prohibiting all development, testing, transportation, deployment, storage, manufacture, or usage of nuclear weapons within the borders of Skagit County."

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to hold a public hearing at 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, May 15, 1985, in Hearing Rooms B and C of the County Administration Building, to receive public testimony regarding adoption of an ordinance designating Skagit County a Nuclear Weapons Free Zone. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman Vaux read the proposed ordinance, as drafted by the Board, and copies were available for distribution to the public.

DISCUSSION - MICROFILMING COUNTY RECORDS - Mike Deering, Kodak.

Mike Deering of Kodak was present to explain the benefits available to the County with the use of Kodak microfilming equipment. He stated that operational cost savings is the major benefit to be derived. He explained the Computer Assisted Retrieval (CAR) process by which microfilmed documents may be easily retrieved. Mr. Deering presented a slide presentation to further explain the benefits of Kodak microfilming: use of little space, file integrity, security (duplicate roll economically), and speed of access.

Discussion followed regarding proofing the microfilm once it is developed. Mr. Deering advocated roll film over jacket film, and explained his reasoning.

With figures supplied by Mike Deering, Chairman Vaux computed a figure of approximately \$125,000 to provide the equipment, supplies and equipment operator for the Clerk's microfilming project.

The Board thanked Mr. Deering for his presentation and invited him to return for additional discussion at a later date.

PRESENTATION OF SKAGIT CONSERVATION DISTRICT ANNUAL REPORT - Tyler Clark.

Bob Hulbert, Chairman of the Board of Supervisors of Skagit Conservation District (SCD), introduced several members of the Board of Supervisors. Members of the Board of Supervisors include Bob Hulbert, Chairman, Wendell Carlson, Marvin Omdal, Betty Norton and Roger Knutzen. Associate members of SCD include Jess Knutzen, Tyler Clark and Ed Kittilia. Sharon Engstrom, District Technician, and Ella Summit, District Secretary, as well as Steve Nissley, District Conservationist, were also present.

Mr. Hulbert reviewed SCD's long range goals with regard to land and water resources.

Tyler Clark, District Manager, reviewed their 1985 budget, noting that Skagit County contributed \$23,500 to SCD's operation. Mr. Clark presented a slide show which further explained SCD's role in (1) implementing dairy waste management plans; (2) implementing flood control measures on the Samish River; and (3) increasing productivity of farmland through drainage management.

Mr. Hulbert reported that they work closely with diking and drainage districts, as well as individual property owners.

Mr. Clark informed the Board that Skagit Conservation District is a subdivision of state government.

Steve Nissley, District Conservationist, informed the Board that the Soil Conservation Service has several programs in operation which involve students in agriculture.

Chairman Vaux expressed an interest in further promoting an agricultural interest in students.

The Board thanked all present for their contribution to the discussion.

BOARD OF HEALTH - WORK LOAD VERSUS STAFFING IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH SECTION OF THE SKAGIT COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT.

John Thayer, Environmental Health Specialist III, stated that increased responsibilities from the state and local levels, as well as a growing population in Skagit County, are requiring more staff time than is available. He showed the Board graphs indicating time needed versus time available for various programs in the Health Department. Mr. Thayer informed the Board that Skagit County is one of the few counties which have a migrant labor program, which takes an additional amount of time.

Discussion followed regarding the Health Department's role in licensing the manager of a food establishment, rather than the food establishment. Mr. Thayer explained that by licensing the manager, they hold a specific person responsible for the food and beverages served in that establishment. He pointed out that the number of manager's licenses have also increased.

Mr. Thayer stated that the EDB project being directed by Ken Willis will probably continue into 1986. He informed the Board that they plan to request funding for an additional Environmental Health Specialist to better meet the work load of the Health Department. Additional discussion and updates will follow at a later date.

DISCUSSION - PROPOSAL FOR SKAGIT COUNTY'S PARALYTIC SHELLFISH MONITORING PROGRAM - Darlene Madenwald.

Darlene Madenwald briefly described her proposal to prepare a Paralytic Shellfish Poisoning (PSP) Disaster Plan for Skagit County. She explained that such a plan would link the Health Department with the area hospitals and the Department of Social and Health Services' Shellfish Program, in order to accomplish the necessary reporting and notification procedures in the shortest amount of time.

John Thayer, Environmental Health Specialist III, stated that the present PSP program is one part of the Health Department's food program. He pointed out that an additional Environmental Health Specialist would aid in the monitoring of this program.

Commissioner Rohrer stated that he was against additional funds being funneled into that area. He felt the Health Department was able to handle the PSP program adequately.

Chairman Vaux felt the expenditure of \$875 for Parts 1 and 2 of Ms. Madenwald's proposal would be an excellent bargain for the County. He felt this expenditure would be a wise use of Federal Revenue Sharing Funds for special projects.

Commissioner Walberg concurred with Chairman Vaux and motioned to enter into an agreement with Ms. Madenwald for Parts 1 and 2 of the proposed program, specifically for design of a PSP outbreak disaster plan and design of a more effective and efficient PSP monitoring program. Chairman Vaux seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. Commissioner Rohrer voted against the motion.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The following miscellaneous items were addressed:

1. Tom Sheahan, Director of the Department of Emergency Management, was present to request out-of-state travel authorization to attend an Emergency Preparedness Workshop and Program Development sponsored by the Partners of the Americas. Mr. Sheahan explained that he has been selected by the Washington State Department of Emergency Management to go to Chili for seven days to discuss disaster preparedness for that country, followed by three days in Paraguay to prepare a report. The travel, as well as the majority of the expenses, will be paid for by the Partners of the Americas and the cost to the county will be minimal.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve Mr. Sheahan's request for out-of-state travel June 12 through 24, 1985. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

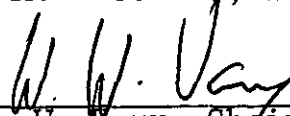
2. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, April 23, 1985. Chairman Vaux seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
3. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for H.U.D., Arcade Plaza Building 10HMP, 1321 Second Avenue, Seattle, Washington 98101, in the amount of \$280.22, because the taxes were paid in error. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #850001)
4. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Alice Oosterhof, 1759 Skyridge, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, in the amount of \$21.50, because this was not taken off the tax rolls after a plat of the area. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #850208)
5. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Clea F. Oakes, 1110 Haddon Lane, Anacortes, Washington 98221, in the amount of \$155.17 due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #850558)
6. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for John Hammer, 1407 Bow Hill Road, Bow, Washington 98232, in the amount of \$163.46 due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #850594)
7. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Thelma White, 837 Nelson Street, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284, in the amount of \$98.60 due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #850626)
8. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Ruth M. Vercoe, 223 Sharon Avenue, Burlington, Washington 98233, in the amount of \$56.27 due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #850630)
9. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for James P. Cagle, 588 Brookings Road, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284, in the amount of \$167.30 due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Petition #850632)
10. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Taxpayer's Claim for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property for Leonard T. Kargacin, 1700 E. Blackburn, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, in the amount of \$25,370 for tax year 1986 due to fire. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (#641)

11. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Taxpayer's Claim for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property for Herman Kurth, Jr., 600 N. 18th Place, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, in the amount of \$740 for tax year 1986 because a building was torn down. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (#647)
12. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Taxpayer's Claim for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property for Fred W. Slipper, Box 59, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284, in the amount of \$510 for tax year 1986 because a deck was removed from a mobile home site. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (#648)
13. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adopt the resolution designating the Economic Development Association of Skagit County (EDASC) as the Associate Development Organization to represent Skagit County on "Team Washington." Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10465)
14. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrants #2481 through #2651 in the amount of \$95,966.98. * Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (C-19)


ADJOURNMENT

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

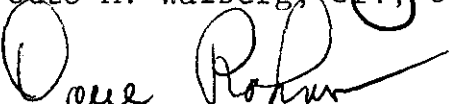
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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



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ATTEST



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