

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Wednesday, May 29, 1985

Flag Salute

9:00 a.m. Discussion - Financial Report and Needs of Skagit County Museum.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

10:00 a.m. Work Session - Public Works Department - Solid Waste.

11:00 a.m. Consideration of Sewer Service Extension Request of Lynn Davis Hoy for Lot 3, Block 5, of the Plat of Alger.

11:30 a.m. Discussion - County Microfilming - Terry Butler, Bell and Howell.

1:30 p.m. Contract Signature - Alcohol, Drug Abuse and Developmental Disabilities - JoAnn Angevine, Community Services Coordinator.

2:00 p.m. Discussion - Fees for Out-of-County Work Release Commitments - John Boynton, County Sheriff.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

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

DISCUSSION - FINANCIAL REPORT AND NEEDS OF SKAGIT COUNTY MUSEUM.

Louis and Leah Humphrey, of the Skagit County Museum, were present for this discussion.

Mrs. Humphrey stated that several years ago the museum received \$60,000 in Federal Revenue Sharing funds, and raised \$60,000 matching funds, with which they built an addition to the museum. Mrs. Humphrey reviewed with the Board attendance statistics, the procedure used for new museum accessions (donations), research inquiries, tours and special financial needs at this time. She pointed out that the museum is staffed with many volunteers, however additional funds are needed to increase their paid staff. She stated that they will be requesting additional funds in their 1986 budget request to retain several present employees for additional days.

Mrs. Humphrey stated that the museum is open Wednesday through Sunday from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Admission is free of charge, with the exception of tours which visit the museum during non-operating hours, and they are charged \$1 per person. Donations are gladly accepted.

Louis Humphrey informed the Board that the museum has many used railroad ties which need to be placed in the parking lot to prevent cars from rolling over the hill.

The Board informed Mr. Humphrey that they will provide a loader and operator in the near future to complete this task.

The Board thanked Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey for their presentation. As Commissioner Rohrer was the only Historical Society member of the Board at this time, Chairman Vaux and Commissioner Walberg joined the Historical Society.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Robert Taylor, Administrative Officer, presented the following items:

1. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Ralph S. Loy, 1535 Bennett Road, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, in the amount of \$92.68, due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#850677)
2. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for C. J. Estes, Marblemount, Washington 98267, in the amount of \$70.49, due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#850697)
3. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for James A. Clark, Cascade Route Box 12, Marblemount, Washington 98267, in the amount of \$68.14 due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#850699)
4. The Board approved for signature the plans for the Minkler Road reconstruction project.
5. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrants #3229 through #3420 in the amount of \$158,660.39. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (C-23)
6. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrants #37798 through #37836 in the amount of \$255,969.62. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (R-18)
7. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrants #58699 through #58825 in the amount of \$204,902.31. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (P/R-10)

MISCELLANEOUS ITEM

Ruth Wylie, Skagit County Treasurer, was present to request permission to hire a Western Washington University accounting student as a summer intern.

The Board stated that they will evaluate the various department needs and let her know in the near future of their decision.

CONSIDERATION OF SEWER SERVICE EXTENSION REQUEST OF LYNN DAVIS HOY FOR LOT 3, BLOCK 5, OF THE PLAT OF ALGER.

Steve Wood, Zoning Administrator, entered staff findings #1 through #7 into the record. He explained that the applicant owns approximately three acres and is requesting permission to connect to the Water District #12 sewer line to serve a proposed church and meeting hall. Mr. Wood stated that the applicants have investigated the possibility of utilizing the existing sewage system, and found the soil to be unsuitable for an on-site system. The Prosecuting Attorney's Office has determined that this extension request would not have any bearing on the litigation filed by Lance Yohannan, who owns adjacent commercially zoned property.

Dee Donaldson, the realtor for the sale of the property, asked if the zoning of the Lynn Davis Hoy property could be reversed by the court.

Mr. Wood responded that if the court agreed with Mr. Yohannan's appeal, they could change the current Public Use zoning.

Ms. Donaldson requested a copy of the litigation filed, as she was unaware of the matter.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the sewer service extension request of Lynn Davis Hoy for Lot 3, Block 5, of the Plat of Alger, as recommended by the Planning Department. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried with votes from Chairman Vaux and Commissioner Rohrer. Commissioner Walberg abstained.

DISCUSSION - COUNTY MICROFILMING - Terry Butler, Bell and Howell.

Terry Butler, Regional Manager for Bell and Howell, introduced himself, along with Frank Brilski and Dick Sims, who also work for Bell and Howell. Mr. Butler gave a brief overview of Bell and Howell and their relationship with Skagit County over the past eight years. He informed the Board that Dick Sims, Sales Representative, recently spent approximately 100 hours at Skagit County preparing for the proposal they submitted at the County's request.

Mr. Butler explained the three major concerns of which he felt the County should be aware: (1) equipment costs, (2) labor costs, and (3) ongoing costs.

Dick Sims complimented the County and its staff for their cooperation and assistance while he was preparing for the Bell and Howell proposal. He stated that he felt the Clerk's records were very well kept and in fine order. Mr. Sims identified what he felt were three of the County's main concerns at the present time: (1) budget, (2) retention of records, and (3) ongoing microfilming and maintenance of records. He stated that Bell and Howell could respond to the County in different ways to meet our needs, but that Bell and Howell needs to know more specifically what the County wants to do at this time.

Mr. Sims briefly explained the roll film format versus the microfiche format. He felt with the circumstances present in the three offices involved with the request for proposal (Clerk, Planning and Sheriff) that microfiche was the best method to use. He talked about the retrieval of both formats and pointed out that attention should also be focused on the costs associated with the retrieval aspect of microfilming. Mr. Sims then showed the Board a microfiche viewer component similar to one that is located in the Clerk's Office. He stated that the cost for such a viewer is approximately \$200 per unit.

Mr. Sims continued to explain Bell and Howell's frustration in dealing with the Skagit County project at the present time. He stated that they have put a lot of time and resources into Skagit County, yet each time over the past eight years, they have run into a dead end. However, Mr. Sims pointed out that Bell and Howell is still very willing to work with and wants to work with Skagit County. He stated that Bell and Howell has the resources to put together proposals to stay within our existing microfilm budget, provided that we provide them with the parameters and criteria that we desire so they can meet our needs. They were not in a position to make a proposal today because they still do not really know what the present County objectives are.

Chairman Vaux asked that Bell and Howell make a proposal to allow Skagit County to complete the project for \$353,000. Discussion followed.

In the final analysis, the Board suggested Bell and Howell work with Phyllis Coole-McKeehen to develop the specifications and criteria for a new request for proposal (RFP) which could be submitted to interested vendors that would allow the project to be completed within presently budgeted amounts.

CONTRACT SIGNATURE - ALCOHOL, DRUG ABUSE AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES -
JoAnn Angevine, Community Services Coordinator.

The Board considered the following contracts with the Department of Social and Health Services:

1. Commissioner Walberg motioned to enter into a contract with DSHS for alcohol and substance abuse treatment at the Community Alcohol Center, the detoxification center, and the Skagit Community Mental Health Center. The funding in the amount of \$39,486 is for the period beginning July 1, and continuing through September 30, 1985. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Walberg motioned to enter into a contract with DSHS for developmental disabilities programs, including New Leaf, Chinook, SPARC and Skagitron. The funding in the amount of \$73,462 is for the period beginning July 1, and continuing through September 30, 1985. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
3. The Board approved for signature the revised DSHS Contract #3820-48154 for mental health and involuntary treatment services for the period beginning July 1, and continuing through September 30, 1985. The amount of funding for the three-month period is \$102,581.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

Jon Aarstad, Director of the Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Department, presented the following miscellaneous items:

1. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve a Contract for Professional Services with Jim Taylor, 1048 Gardner Road, Burlington, Washington 98233, for finish line services at the rate of \$100 per run or race. The contract shall commence on May 11, 1985, and continue until December 31, 1985. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
2. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve a Contract for Professional Services with Dawn Brown, 116 East Section Street, #201, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, for ballet instruction at the rate of 90% of proceeds after department expenses. The contract shall commence on April 1, 1985, and continue until December 31, 1985. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
3. The Board was informed that Ken Cook was not willing to sell his parcel of property adjacent to the Clear Lake Swimming Beach at the price the County offered.
4. Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the formal application to the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation for funding assistance for the Clear Lake Swimming Beach area. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10505)
5. The Board approved for signature the application for financial assistance from the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation for the Clear Lake Swimming Beach area.

DISCUSSION - FEES FOR OUT-OF-COUNTY WORK RELEASE COMMITMENTS - John Boynton, County Sheriff.

John Boynton, Skagit County Sheriff, Gary Frazier, Undersheriff, and Stan Sass, Chief Corrections Deputy, were present for the following discussion.

John Boynton stated that the contract with Snohomish County was not ready to be signed by the Board at this time. Sheriff Boynton explained the fee structure used for the area cities and Snohomish County with regard to inmates in the Skagit County jail.

Chairman Vaux asked that he be informed of the actual cost to Skagit County for inmates in the jail on a daily basis.

The Board was informed that on the work release program the inmate pays \$10 per day for his keep, while the remainder of the cost is paid by the particular city involved.

Sheriff Boynton explained that the work release program was designed to keep the non-dangerous offenders working at their job during the day and serving their time in jail during the night. The one drawback to the work release program from the Sheriff's Department's point of view is that the offender's paycheck is forwarded to the Sheriff's Department and the Department pays the offenders bills.

Gary Frazier stated that they plan to recommend work release inmates be charged at the same rate as regular inmates for their stay in jail.

Stan Sass stated that they have a sufficient number of employees at this time to operate the jail at full capacity.

Discussion followed regarding the recently installed acoustical tile treatment in the jail.

The Board thanked Sheriff Boynton, Mr. Frazier, and Mr. Sass for their participation in the discussion.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrant #856 in the amount of \$220.00. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (C-24)

ADJOURNMENT

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

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