

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, October 7, 1985

- 9:00 a.m. Executive Session - Personnel
Flag Salute
- 10:00 a.m. Discussion - Plat of Shorewood Building Moratorium.
- 10:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Gene Sampley, Director:
1. Discussion - Ferry Rates.
 2. Quarterly Status Reports.
 3. Call for Bids - Installation of Guardrail Intersection of Havekost Road and Marine Drive.
 4. Discussion - Surplus Property.
 5. Discussion - Draft Leachate Disposal Agreement.
 6. Miscellaneous Items.
- 11:30 a.m. 1. Call for Public Hearing - Supplemental Budget - Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities Fund.
2. Contract Amendment - Alcohol, Detoxification and Drug Abuse Services.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
- 2:00 p.m. Consideration of Appeal of Hearing Examiner Decision Regarding the Special Use Request #SP-85-021 of Jessie Hammond for the Placement of a Temporary Mobile Home on a Parcel of Property with an Existing Mobile Home.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, October 7, 1985, with Commissioners Vaux, Walberg and Rohrer present.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adjourn the meeting into an executive session for the discussion of personnel matters. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

DISCUSSION - PLAT OF SHOREWOOD BUILDING MORATORIUM.

Steve Wood, Assistant Director of the Department of Planning and Community Development, explained that the Board previously extended the moratorium on

the issuance of building permits in the Plat of Shorewood until October 1, 1985, or earlier if the water system was approved and functional.

Sara Hamilton, of Wagner Development Company, stated that she needs governmental assistance in working with the Swinomish Tribe in their agreement to supply water. She noted that the tribe's specifications differ from the specifications in the Anacortes-Fidalgo Island Coordinated Water System Plan. She felt that since her work with the tribe will affect more than just the Plat of Shorewood, she should receive some assistance.

Ken Willis, Environmental Health Specialist II, stated that the Health Department with authority in this situation is the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services.

Vince Hanson, a property owner in the Plat of Shorewood, explained the purpose of the Water Utility Coordinating Committee, of which he is a member. He stated that the Water Utility Coordinating Committee is a planning committee, rather than any type of action committee. He personally felt the tribe should not serve water to non-tribal members. He urged the Board to extend the expired moratorium placed on the issuance of building permits in the Plat of Shorewood until such time as the water system is approved and functional.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to continue indefinitely the moratorium on the issuance of building permits in the Plat of Shorewood until such time as the water supply problem is solved. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

The Board agreed to provide some County staff time for negotiations with the Swinomish Tribe in order to solve the water problem in the Plat of Shorewood in the most expedient manner. Chairman Vaux agreed to meet with Ms. Hamilton to begin the process.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

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

1. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve Warrant #38706 in the amount of \$260,000.48. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (R-39)
2. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Monday, September 30, 1985. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, October 1, 1985. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Gene Sampley, Director:

1. Discussion - Ferry Rates.

Gene Sampley presented the Board with corrected computations of the Guemes Ferry rates needed to comply with Resolution #9518, dated December 14, 1982, with regard to established County policy for setting and reviewing ferry rates. He stated that the computations presently show an approximate 10 percent deficit. On the basis of this deficit, Mr. Sampley suggested an across the board 10 percent increase in ferry rates.

Mr. Sampley noted two problem areas:

- a. Many extra runs are becoming necessary, and
- b. Weight limits are no longer applicable, however, charging larger vehicles on the basis of length would be more appropriate.

Mr. Sampley recommended the following:

- a. The tolls be increased by 10 percent effective January 1, 1986, and
- b. Larger vehicles be charged on a footage basis, rather than weight basis.

Max Benjamin, introduced members of the Guemes Ferry Committee: Rollie Jones, Glen Veal, Mike Murphy, and Al Bush.

Mr. Benjamin noted that the population of Guemes Island has grown in recent years. He stated that the committee members feel that according to Resolution #9518, the rates should be increased by 6 percent, rather than 10 percent. He suggested the committee work with Mr. Sampley to resolve the matter.

Mr. Sampley explained that the difference resulted as a matter of interpretations of Resolution #9518. He noted that with only a 6 percent increase, the ferry will be operating with a deficit.

Mr. Benjamin felt the matter of extra runs was a bonus rather than a problem, because the employees are being paid the same whether they are running the ferry or not. He stated that Resolution #9518 was determined through the cooperation of the Public Works Department and the Guemes Ferry Committee in 1982.

Mr. Veal stated that Resolution #9518 was endorsed by the committee in 1982, however, this is the first application for the formula. He suggested the 90-day frequent user pass be shortened to less than 90 days. This would raise additional revenues.

Mike Carlson, a logger working on Guemes Island, said he felt the weight rates versus length rates should be equitable. He just paid a \$2,000 monthly advance for use of the Guemes ferry.

Following additional discussion, the Board determined that additional discussion will occur prior to making a decision on the matter.

2. Quarterly Status Reports.

Gene Sampley presented the Board with quarterly status reports for various areas in the Public Works Department.

3. Call for Bids - Installation of Guardrail Intersection of Havekost Road and Marine Drive.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the Skagit County Auditor to issue a Call for Bids for the installation of guardrail at the intersection of Havekost Road and Marine Drive. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10619)

Bids will be received and publicly opened at 1:30 p.m., October 28, 1985.

4. Discussion ~ Surplus Property.

In the interest of time, this item was continued until 10:00 a.m., Tuesday, October 8, 1985.

5. Discussion ~ Draft Leachate Disposal Agreement.

The Board was informed that the City of Burlington is in agreement with the draft agreement for leachate disposal.

6. Miscellaneous Items.

Gene Sampley informed the Board that a contractor on the Lake Cavanaugh Road project has requested time before the Board to discuss a conflict. The Board

instructed Mr. Sampley to discuss the matter with the contractor prior to appearing before the Board for additional discussion.

1. CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING - SUPPLEMENTAL BUDGET - MENTAL HEALTH/DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES FUND.

Mike Woodmansee, Budget and Finance Director, explained that the acquisition of the 24-passenger bus (for the transportation of elderly and handicapped citizens of Skagit County) was not included in the budget because it was not anticipated that the bus would be purchased this year. He recommended the Board adopt a resolution calling for a public hearing for the purpose of determining whether a resolution shall be adopted authorizing a supplemental budget in the amount of \$43,000 for the Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities Fund.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the Skagit County Auditor to issue a Call for Public Hearing regarding a supplemental budget for the Mental Health/Developmental Disabilities Fund. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10620)

The public hearing is scheduled to be held at 1:30 p.m., Monday, October 21, 1985.

On a related matter, Mr. Woodmansee presented a billing from Intermountain Coach, Inc., for the purchase of the 24-passenger bus. He pointed out the need to pay this billing out of a contingency account until the budget is amended on October 21, 1985.

The Board agreed to this arrangement, and instructed Mr. Woodmansee to proceed with the paperwork to pay the billing.

2. CONTRACT AMENDMENT - ALCOHOL, DETOXIFICATION AND DRUG ABUSE SERVICES.

The Board approved for signature the contract amendment with the Department of Social and Health Services for alcohol, detoxification and drug abuse services, effective October 1, 1985, providing for the last 18 months of the current biennium.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The following miscellaneous items were addressed:

1. JoAnn Angevine, Community Services Coordinator, informed the Board of a previous Referendum #37, which was a bond issue to construct rehabilitation and day facilities. Skagit County received \$375,000 through Referendum #37, and a portion of this was used to fund improvements at the Gibraltar greenhouse facility. Ms. Angevine stated that she received a phone call from Joseph Orrico stating that the County needs to pay back \$21,000, since the New Leaf facility is no longer in operation.

Discussion followed. Ms. Angevine informed the Board that they will be receiving a letter from Mr. Orrico.

2. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve the assigning of a number to and issuance of a manual warrant in the amount of \$49,806.00 to Intermountain Coach, Inc., in payment of the 24-passenger bus. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

CONSIDERATION OF APPEAL OF HEARING EXAMINER DECISION REGARDING THE SPECIAL USE REQUEST #SP-85-021 OF JESSIE HAMMOND FOR THE PLACEMENT OF A TEMPORARY MOBILE HOME ON A PARCEL OF PROPERTY WITH AN EXISTING MOBILE HOME.

Chairman Vaux read a letter from John Dugaw, M.D., of the North Skagit Family Practice, dated September 24, 1985, with regard to the health of Velma Austin Butler, mother of Mrs. Hammond.

Grace Roeder, of the Department of Planning and Community Development, presented photos, maps, staff findings and the entire file for the Board's review. She read the staff findings in which was stated that the Hearing Examiner denied the request because there was not a need demonstrated by the applicant to indicate that care is necessary for the parent. Ms. Roeder also read a letter from Mrs. Hammond requesting the appeal of the Hearing Examiner's decision.

Mr. Bob Hammond explained that his mother-in-law is presently living in a mobile home on their property, and they wish to move a second mobile home in on the lot for their residence.

Julie Tingley was opposed to approval of the request because she felt Mrs. Butler appears to be in excellent health. She noted that she walks to town, rides a bicycle, drives a car, and does yard work. She also objected to the additional traffic which would result from the two residences, as well as a parking problem.

Andra Deines expressed a concern with property values in the area.

Robert Komar agreed that Mrs. Butler appears to be very physically fit. He also concurred that parking is a problem.

The Board viewed a sketch of the neighborhood, which Mr. Komar had prepared.

Mrs. Komar stated that they had purchased their property from Mr. Hammond because they did not want to live in a mobile home park setting.

Mrs. Early asked if she, too, could move her son onto her property in a separate mobile home for the purpose of taking care of her.

Chairman Vaux stated that he did not interpret the letter from Mrs. Butler's physician to say she needed additional care.

In answer to a question from Chairman Vaux, Mr. Hammond stated that at the present time he and his wife live approximately one mile away from Mrs. Butler.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to remand the matter back to the Hearing Examiner for further consideration.

Commissioner Walberg concurred with Chairman Vaux that the letter from Mrs. Butler's physician did not indicate she needs constant care.

Commissioner Rohrer's motion to remand the matter back to the Hearing Examiner died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to uphold the Hearing Examiner's decision to deny Special Use Request #SP-85-021 of Jessie Hammond for the placement of a temporary mobile home on a parcel of property with an existing mobile home. Chairman Vaux seconded the motion. The motion was carried with votes from Chairman Vaux and Commissioner Walberg. Commissioner Rohrer voted against the motion.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The Board addressed the following miscellaneous items:

1. Commissioner Walberg motioned to schedule the following Planning Commission referred items for 2:30 p.m., Tuesday, October 15, 1985:
 - a. Arnold Pederson Rezone Request #R-85-005, and
 - b. James Janda/Michael Parker Rezone Request #R-85-006.

Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. The Board assigned Roger Howard, of the Public Works Department, the task of voucher approval for the Central Communications Fund.
3. Mike Woodmansee, Budget and Finance Director, explained that the amount budgeted for electricity and natural gas in the Public Safety Building is not sufficient to meet the department's required expenditures for the remainder of 1985.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the transfer of budget appropriations in the amount of \$21,500 from a variety of other general maintenance and jail maintenance accounts to provide for the electricity and natural gas expenditures for the Public Safety Building. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10621)

4. Mike Woodmansee explained that the Weed Control Officer has requested a transfer of appropriation from the spraying contract line item to part-time salaries in the Cooperative Extension budget and office supplies in the Noxious Weed Control budget in order to pay for costs in connection with the Noxious Weed Program during 1985.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the transfer of budget appropriations in the amount of \$1,800 from the spraying contract line item to part-time salaries in the Cooperative Extension budget and office supplies in the Noxious Weed Control budget. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10622)

5. Mike Woodmansee explained that the Skagit County Assessor has requested a transfer of appropriation from postage to equipment in order to acquire the additional computer equipment necessary to implement the annual property revaluation program.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the transfer of budget appropriations in the amount of \$7,500 to be used for the purchase of computer equipment. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10623)

6. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve the Taxpayer's Claim for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property for Franklin Jorgensen, 4857 Hornbeck Lane, Concrete, Washington 98237, in the amount of \$7,230 for tax year 1986, because a house was destroyed by fire. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor. The motion was carried unanimously. (#665)

7. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Taxpayer's Claim for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property for

Richard Gross, et al, c/o 1706 Lakeview Boulevard, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, in the amount of \$10,370 for tax year 1986, due to demolition of a house and barn. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#666)

8. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Vern Grenier, 651 Goodhew Road, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284, in the amount of \$87.56, due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#003085)
9. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Wayne Mackey, Sr., 2910 I Avenue, Anacortes, Washington 98221, in the amount of \$44.28, due to the assessed value being reduced by the Department of Revenue. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#003185)
10. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Howard Guliksen, 644 March Point Road, Anacortes, Washington 98221, in the amount of \$22.45, due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#003285)
11. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Richard J. Roskelley, 2213 14th Street, Anacortes, Washington 98221, in the amount of \$43.30, due to error in payment. Chairman Vaux seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried unanimously. (#003585)
12. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve for signature ten Contracts for Professional Services between the Skagit County Parks and Recreation Department and basketball officials, subject to proof of adequate insurance. The County will compensate the basketball officials at the following rates per game:

Slowbreak:	\$12.50 for Level II (certified)
	\$11.00 for Level I (non-certified)
Custer League Fastbreak:	\$15.50 for Level II
	\$14.00 for Level I
Youth:	\$10.50 for Level II
	\$ 9.00 for Level I

Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. Contracts for Professional Services were signed for the following individuals:


- a. Peter S. Stephens, 1846 Skagit City Road, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, effective October 7, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - b. Steve Colby, 1316 28th, Anacortes, Washington 98221, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - c. Steve Schutt, no address, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - d. Bill Mersereau, 861 Halloran Road, Bow, Washington 98232, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - e. Guy Clements, 2076 Skagit City Road, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - f. Tim Holloran, 1508 Broad Street, Mount Vernon, Washington, 98273, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - g. Barry M. Harter, 432 Campbell Lake Road, Anacortes, Washington 98221, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - h. Jerry Engelhart, 1320 Jameson Street, Sedro Woolley, Washington 98284, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - i. Marty Lopez, 725 West Hazel Street, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
 - j. Greg Poling, 3405 Trumpeter Drive, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, effective October 14, 1985, through March 31, 1986.
13. The Board approved for signature a Contract for Professional Services between the Skagit County Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Department and Athletic Sports Foundation, 11412 113th Place N.E., Kirkland, Washington 98033, for providing a Volleyball Clinic on October 27, 1985. Compensation will be at the rate of \$10 per registered participant.

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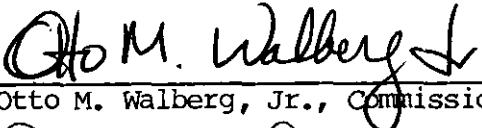
ADJOURNMENT

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


BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



W. W. Vaux, Chairman




Otto M. Walberg, Jr., Commissioner



Dave Rohrer, Commissioner

ATTEST:



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

