

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, December 23, 1985

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

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9:00 a.m. Board of Health:

1. Ad Hoc Foodservice Fee Revision Committee Report.
2. Draft Policy for Establishing "Special Request" Hourly Charges.

10:00 a.m. Discussion - Ferry Rates - Guemes Ferry Committee.

10:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Gene Sampley, Director:

1. Discussion - Consideration of Speed Limit Reduction - Collins Road #6331.
2. Discussion - Consideration of Speed Limit Reduction - North Garl Street #6106.
3. Discussion - Consideration of Speed Limit Reduction - Gallagher Road #9621.
4. Call for Bids - Survey Equipment.
5. Signature - Resolution - Healy Road Establishment.
6. Out-of-State Travel Authorization Requests.
7. Miscellaneous Items.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, December 23, 1985, with Commissioners Vaux, Walberg and Rohrer present.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

1. Ad Hoc Foodservice Fee Revision Committee Report.

John Thayer, Environmental Health Specialist III, reported on the recommendations of the Ad Hoc Foodservice Fee Revision Committee. The committee made recommendations on fees for small, medium, large, and extra large restaurants, taverns with food and school cafeterias; and on the proposed reinspection charge for food establishments having more than 10 "red" violations.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to schedule a public hearing at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 1986, to receive public input on the proposed Health

Department Schedule of Charges. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. Draft Policy for Establishing "Special Request" Hourly Charges.

John Thayer, Environmental Health Specialist III, reported that the Health Department has proposed that a "special request" hourly charge be instituted for situations where an individual/group requests individualized service in excess of 1/2 hour.

Discussion followed as the draft policy was reviewed.

Dr. J. K. Neils, Health Officer, pointed out that the policy would delineate between special requests and public health matters.

Mr. Thayer proposed that this special request fee become a part of the Health Department Schedule of Charges.

This matter will be addressed at the public hearing scheduled for 9:00 a.m., Thursday, January 23, 1986, regarding the Health Department Schedule of Charges.

DISCUSSION - FERRY RATES - Guemes Ferry Committee.

Gene Sampley, Director of the Public Works Department, stated that he had met again with the members of the Ferry Committee to discuss implementation of increased rates for 1986. Mr. Sampley explained the formula used to establish the July 1, 1981, rate schedule. He felt that the tolls received should be the figure used to establish the rates. He felt an approximately 10 percent increase in tolls would be necessary to create the revenue necessary for 1986.

Mr. Sampley explained in detail the proposed revised schedule. He recommended no change to the rate for mail carrier and schools, since everyone receives equal benefit from these services. To help monitor the frequent user cards, Mr. Sampley suggested each quarter's card be of a different color. He also proposed a 10-trip card for the frequent users' use near the end of a quarter.

Al Bacetich, Section Manager - Ferry Operations, favored the colored card quarter system for the islanders, however, he could foresee a problem with people who only travel to the island in the summer.

Mike Murphy favored the colored card system.

Al Bush questioned how 10-trip cards could be confined to frequent users.

The Board felt the 10-trip cards could be purchased only by those frequent users who turned in a frequent user card.

Glen Veal asked if more than one 10-trip cards could be purchased by one person.

The Board and Mr. Sampley concurred that any frequent user could purchase additional 10-trip cards if they needed to.

Max Benjamin favored redesigning the cards instead of color coding, to save expenses.

Chairman Vaux felt the color coded system would be worth whatever minimal additional cost would be incurred.

Mr. Benjamin stated that the committee's interpretation of the formula established in Commissioners' Resolution #9518, regarding determination of ferry rates, was different from Mr. Sampley's interpretation. The committee felt a rate increase of only 6 percent was necessary to comply with the formula. With this amount of an increase, a deficit of \$6,600 remains, which the committee felt could be made up with better management practices and several proposed changes. Mr. Benjamin, on behalf of the committee, requested the Board consider Resolution #9518 in its totality. He also felt the mail carrier and schools should have to pay a similar increase in rates.

Al Bush concurred that the ferry deficit reimbursement money should be included as receipts in the formula.

Mr. Sampley explained his interpretation of the formula used to establish the rates.

Glen Veal felt the revisions proposed could not be accommodated at the same time as the rate increase. He felt trucks should pay at the same proportionate rate as an average car.

Tom Butler stated he would be paying almost double with the proposed rates as he is now for hauling wood.

Mr. Benjamin favored tabling the change in truck rates from gross weight to length until further studies have been conducted.

The Board agreed to authorize the Public Works Department to proceed with printing of color coded cards for frequent users.

Mr. Butler pointed out that it costs more for a motorcycle to ride the ferry than it does for cars using frequent user cards.

The Board scheduled another meeting to discuss ferry rates additionally at 9:00 a.m., Tuesday, January 14, 1986.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT, Gene Sampley, Director:

1. Discussion - Consideration of Speed Limit Reduction - Collins Road #6331.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution calling for a public hearing to discuss the establishment of a speed limit on Collins Road #6331 from Cook Road (milepost 1.25) to F & S Grade Road (milepost 2.75), as petitioned by a resident of Collins Road. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10684)

The public hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Monday, January 13, 1986.

2. Discussion - Consideration of Speed Limit Reduction - North Garl Street #6106.

Gene Sampley presented a letter from Rev. Donald Van Dyken, requesting the speed limit on North Garl Street be lowered.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution calling for a public hearing to consider the establishment of a speed limit on North Garl Street from the Burlington City Limits (milepost 0.23) to Interstate 5 (milepost 0.65). Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10685)

The public hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Monday, January 13, 1986.

3. Discussion - Consideration of Speed Limit Reduction - Gallagher Road #9621.

In response to a petition received, Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution calling for a public hearing to establish a speed limit on Gallagher Road #9621 (milepost 0.00 to milepost 0.34) and Ingersoll Road #9620 (milepost 0.00 to milepost 0.19). Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10686)

The public hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Monday, January 13, 1986.

4. Call for Bids - Survey Equipment.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution calling for bids for one electronic total station survey system. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10687)

Bids will be received and publicly opened at 1:30 p.m., Monday, January 20, 1986.

5. Signature - Resolution - Healy Road Establishment.

This item was postponed.

6. Out-of-State Travel Authorization Requests.

The Board considered the following requests:

- a. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the travel authorization request for Jeffrey Monsen to attend a workshop entitled "Liability in Public Works Management" in Phoenix, Arizona, January 25 through 29, 1986. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
- b. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the travel authorization request for Gene Sampley to attend the "1986 Management/Technical Conference of National Association of County Engineers" in San Diego, California, February 25, through March 1, 1986. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

7. Miscellaneous Items.

The following Public Works Department miscellaneous items were addressed:

- a. Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution establishing a County road project (C.R.P.) to revise an existing curve to provide a design speed of 35 m.p.h. on Francis Road. This resolution provides \$6,000 for engineering of the project. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10688)
- b. The Board approved for signature the Final Cost Record for the Minkler Road project, totaling \$48,631.71.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The following miscellaneous items were addressed:

1. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Taxpayer's Claim for Reduction of Assessments on Destroyed Real or Personal Property for William A. Gordon, 421 E. Maple Street, Bellingham, Washington 98225 in the amount of \$340 for tax year 1986, due to road construction. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor. The motion was carried unanimously. (#671)
2. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution awarding the bid for one new super heavy duty flail mower for the Parks, Recreation and Senior Services Department to Barnett Implement Company, for their low bid of \$2,997.07. (Resolution #10689)
3. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Monday, December 16, 1985. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
4. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, December 17, 1985. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
5. Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by R.C.W. 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by R.C.W. 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing which has been made available to the Board.

As of this date, December 23, 1985, the Board, by a unanimous vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

- a. Vouchers #39169 through #39247 (Warrants #39169 through #39247) in the total amount of \$157,914.61. (R-46)
 - b. Vouchers #10976 through #11436 (Warrants #8883 through #9175) in the total amount of \$264,255.87. (C-59)
7. Mike Woodmansee, Budget and Finance Director, explained the various transfers of budget appropriations necessary to reflect expenditure increases and decreases not expected when the 1985 budget was adopted.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution transferring budget appropriations in the amount of \$118,844. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10690)

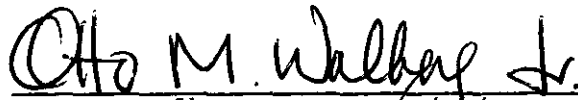
8. Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing a temporary loan to the Treasurer's O & M Fund #111 in the amount of \$5,500, in order to pay the costs of bringing surplus and tax title properties to sale. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #10691)

ADJOURNMENT


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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

W. W. Vaux, Chairman

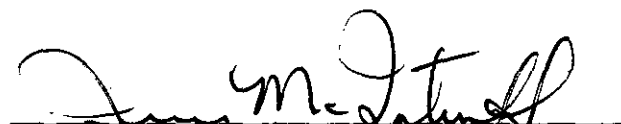


Otto M. Walberg, Jr., Commissioner



Dave Rohrer, Commissioner

ATTEST:



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