

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, September 22, 1986

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

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9:00 a.m. Board of Health:

1. Seniors' Screening Program.
2. Discussion of Draft Revisions to the Skagit County On-Site Sewage Code, Section 12.04.070.
3. Update on Enforcement Procedures for Food Protection Program.

10:00 a.m. Planning Commission Referred Item - Amendment to Skagit County Code Section 14.04.150 Adding the Storage of Natural Materials as a Special Use.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

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

1. Discussion - Dike District #25 Flood Control Project.
2. Signature - Contract - Burlington Wastewater Treatment Plant Modifications.
3. Miscellaneous Items.

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11:30 a.m. Discussion - Taxi Free Association - Amy Hughes.

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The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, September 22, 1986, with Commissioners Rohrer, Vaux and Walberg present.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

1. Seniors' Screening Program.

Carolyn Milat, Public Health Director, gave a brief history of the Seniors' Screening Program, which began in Skagit County in 1979, and was fully funded by the County. People 60 years of age and older were eligible to receive this service.

In 1980, some grant funding was received from the Northwest Regional Council for a portion of the Seniors' Screening Program. In 1984, the interval

between screening exams was changed from one to two years for persons 60 to 69 years of age, in order to accommodate more people.

Mrs. Milat informed the Board that at the present time, the program is booked four months in advance. The Northwest Regional Council has requested that these services be targeted to the low income, vulnerable elderly, particularly those persons who are 75 years of age and older, living alone, minorities, etc.

Mrs. Milat proposed that the 60 to 65 years of age group be eliminated from service in the Seniors' Screening Program effective January 1, 1987, in order to better serve those over the age of 65 years of age. She noted that last year they provided the service to 438 people, of which 60 of those were in the 60 to 65 years of age bracket.

Commissioner Vaux stated that he felt the basis for the program was to discover minor problems before they become major health problems. He did not favor the proposed Health Department's change.

Mrs. Milat explained that they are prohibited by law from requesting payment, although they do receive \$7,000 to \$9,000 in donations per year from the program. She noted that if more money was available, they could accommodate more people.

Commissioner Vaux felt this problem will be handled in the next several months through the budget process. He felt the program should not be reduced in any way, as it offers a valuable service to the senior citizens.

Chairman Rohrer concurred.

Commissioner Walberg favored reserving a specific number of appointments for the vulnerably elderly.

This matter will be additionally discussed in the future.

Item #3 was addressed at this time:

3. Update on Enforcement Procedures for Food Protection Program.

Ron Palmer, Environmental Health Specialist II, informed the Board of numerous changes in the last four years in the Food Protection Program in an attempt to reduce critical violations, thereby lowering the potential for a foodborne illness incidence. Emphasis on education, including group training and a new test, and enforcement procedures, including reinspections, continue to be major focuses in this attempt.

Mr. Palmer stated that the Food Protection Program will continue to educate and maintain a high standard of proper food handling. He expected to return

in mid 1987 to report to the Board on the results of these changes.

Commissioner Vaux requested copies of the old and new Food and Beverages Workers exams.

Item #2 was addressed at this time:

2. Discussion of Draft Revisions to the Skagit County On-Site Sewage Code, Section 12.04.070.

Tom Karsh, Environmental Health Specialist III, noted that this discussion was only for review of the draft revisions to the Skagit County On-Site Sewage Code, Section 12.04.070, and further comments are waiting to be received.

Mr. Karsh explained the procedure used to issue building permits. The following major changes are proposed:

- a. Removal of floor area square footage as a method of determining the number of bedrooms in a residential structure and thus the size of the required sewage system.
- b. Removal of any requirement for the property owner to record a "Notice of Limitation" when proposing to build a large (square footage) house.
- c. Removal of special requirements for substantial remodels, additions, and replacements of existing structures.
- d. Increase the flexibility of the Health Officer to review and approve applications, which would reduce the need of costly appeals to the Board of Health.

Discussion followed.

Robert Schofield, Director of the Department of Planning and Community Development, suggested the Board schedule this matter for public hearing and discuss various portions in the meantime.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to call for a public hearing regarding proposed revisions to the Skagit County On-Site Sewage Code, Section 12.04.070. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

The public hearing is scheduled for 9:00 a.m., Monday, October 20, 1986.

Commissioner Vaux was absent from the following items.

PLANNING COMMISSION REFERRED ITEM - Amendment to Skagit County Code Section 14.04.150 Adding the Storage of Natural Materials as a Special Use.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to continue this item until 10:15 a.m., Tuesday, September 30, 1986, so Commissioner Vaux could be present. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Gene Sampley, Director:

1. Discussion - Dike District #25 Flood Control Project.

Don Nelson, Flood Control Engineer, explained that Dike District #25 would completely reimburse the County for the placement of about 250 cubic yards of rock rip-rap on about 75 feet of the right bank of the Samish River about 300 feet upstream from the Chuckanut Drive Bridge at Allen.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the appropriation of \$4,085.54 on a reimbursable basis to Dike District #25 for improvement of a portion of the right bank of the Samish River in Dike District #25. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #10978)

One Public Works Department miscellaneous item was addressed at this time:

3. Miscellaneous Items.

- a. Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the appropriation of \$8,838.65 on a reimbursable basis to Dike District #12 for improvement of a portion of the slope downstream from the Burlington Northern Bridge on the Skagit River within Dike District #12. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #10979)

Item #2 was addressed at this time:

2. Signature - Contract - Burlington Wastewater Treatment Plant Modifications.

The Board approved for signature a contract with Energy Construction & Maintenance Services for construction of the Burlington Wastewater Treatment Plant modifications.

3. Miscellaneous Items (continued).

- b. The Board was informed that applications for the position of

Engineering Technician III have been received. Commissioner Walberg agreed to serve on the interview committee.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Monday, September 15, 1986. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
2. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, September 16, 1986. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
3. Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution re-appointing Patricia Hendricks, 1219 Hendricks, Burlington, Washington 98233, to the Housing Authority of Skagit County, effective October 23, 1986. Said appointment shall expire on October 22, 1991. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #10980)
4. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve a Petition for Property Tax Refund for Mount Baker Bank, P.O. Box 1198, Bellingham, Washington 98227, in the amount of \$232,02, due to overpayment. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer. The motion was carried and so ordered. (#008186)
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, September 22, 1986, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

- a. Vouchers #07471 through #07926 (Warrants #16637 through #16953) in the amount of \$248,307.92. (C-35)
- b. Vouchers #41643 through #41724 (Warrants #41643 through #41724) in the amount of \$108,111.87. (R-23)

DISCUSSION - TAXI FREE ASSOCIATION - Amy Hughes.

Amy Hughes, D.W.I. Task Force Coordinator, thanked Mayor Rice of Anacortes and Mayor Henery of Burlington for being present at this discussion. She updated the Board on the history of the Mount Vernon-Burlington "Taxi Free" and Anacortes A.L.I.F.T. (Anacortes Leave in a Free Taxi) Home Association programs.

Reg Nelson, restaurant owner and Chairperson of the A.L.I.F.T. Home Association, thanked Ms. Hughes for her participation in these programs. He explained the Taxi Free and A.L.I.F.T. Home Association programs and goals, and requested the Board proclaim the week of September 29, through October 5, 1986, as "Drive Sober: Taxi Free Awareness Week" in Skagit County.

The Board will address the proclamation on Wednesday, September 24, 1986, following the 10:30 scheduled items.

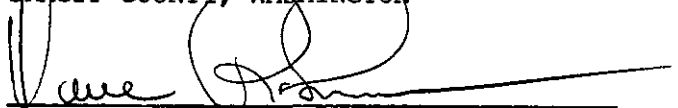
Ms. Hughes noted that these programs are the first such programs in Washington State. Several other counties are in the process or considering implementation of similar programs. Ms. Hughes also thanked Lloyd Evans of A Kitty's Taxi Service for their cooperation with this program.

Mr. Evans informed the Board that A Kitty's Taxi Service offers a free ride back to their cars the next morning (between 6:30 and 10:00 a.m.) to people who leave their cars the night before and don't drive drunk.

ADJOURNMENT

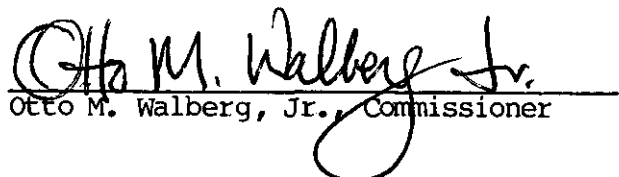
Commissioner Walberg motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Dave Rohrer, Chairman

W. W. Vaux, Commissioner



Otto M. Walberg, Jr., Commissioner

ATTEST:



Megan Cheney, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners