

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, May 12, 1987

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9:00 a.m. Work Session - Six Year Work Program.

Flag Salute

10:00 a.m. Discussion - Hazardous Materials Update - Title III - Tom Sheahan.

10:30 a.m. Executive Session - Litigation.

1:30 p.m. 1. Public Hearing - Consideration of Resolution Authorizing the Issuance of an Estimated \$7,500,000.00 Unlimited Tax General Obligation Bonds for the Solid Waste Incinerator/Resource Recovery Facility.

2. Miscellaneous Items.

The Board met in session on Tuesday, May 12, 1987 with Commissioners Walberg, Vaux and Rohrer present.

DISCUSSION - HAZARDOUS MATERIALS UPDATE - TITLE III - TOM SHEAHAN

Mr. Sheahan presented to the Board the Title III Statutory Time Line for the development of local emergency plans for hazardous materials. This summer, the State will be designating local emergency planning districts and local emergency planning committees. Discussion ensued.

PUBLIC HEARING - CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF AN ESTIMATED \$7,500,00.00 UNLIMITED TAX GENERAL OBLIGATION BONDS FOR THE SOLID WASTE INCINERATION/RESOURCE RECOVERY FACILITY

Mike Woodmansee explained that according to a new tax law passed last year, a public hearing was required for this kind of procedure. A resolution will be adopted next week. The \$7,500,000.00 bonds will be repaid by the resource recovery tipping fees and backed by the general taxing authority.

Chairman Walberg opened the public hearing.

Mr. Don Bockleman stated there was too much risk in this procedure and it is not acceptable. He then read a letter to the Board expressing his feelings on the matter. (See attached)

Chairman Walberg called for any other comments. No comments were offered.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Vaux seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Maud Smith of Shearson Lehman Brothers explained there would be a meeting at 2:00 p.m., Friday, May 15th where fees would be proposed for the underwriting and an agreement would be made for the best pricing. Once levels are established, they commit to underwrite. She further stated they would be working closely with Skagit County staff in this procedure.

Next week the Bond Purchase Agreement will be ready for signature and on Thursday, May 21st at 8:30 a.m. final approval will be given and at that time the signing of bond related documents would take place.

Fred Farrar, Project Manager, WSH, was present and stated they were getting ready to put the fence and utilities in at the incinerator site. Major excavation will begin in late June or early July. Groundbreaking ceremonies have been scheduled for Tuesday, June 16th, at 2:00 p.m.


MISCELLANEOUS

1. The Board approved for signature a professional services contract with Gerry Christensen for economic consulting and program participation in the Moody Financial Services presentation, New York, New York, for traveling expenses incurred.
2. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board signed a resolution awarding the bid for the Clear Lake Renovation Project to Quantum Construction, Inc., the lowest bidder, for a total cost of \$168,330 plus tax. Resolution #11213

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Vaux seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON




Otto M. Walberg, Jr. Chairman

W. W. Vaux, Commissioner



Dave Rohrer, Commissioner





Diane M. Baker, Clerk
Board of County Commissioners

May 12, 1987

County Commissioners Office
P.O.Box 459
Mt. Vernon, WA 98273

Attention: Skagit County Commissioners

Attention: Otto Walberg, Dave Rohrer and Bill Vaux

I vehemently object to the sale of any bonds to be utilized for construction of any Municipal Solid Waste Incinerator in Skagit County. I object and RESENT the lies, threats, and dectet that you have resorted to in gaining Public Apathy and acquies-
ience for this project. Section 10 of your paid advertisement published January 3, 1987 in the Skagit Valley Herald says, in part, "this facility will be paid for by the users." Why did you promise to apply property taxes to pay for the bond debt to bond rators? Will the operation be "paid for" by the users too? Or will we all become users by resolution of the County Commissioners?

I object to utilizing the value of my property (and taxes) to secure bonds. I object to the legal procedures you have used to silence those who have sought the only long term solution to solid waste management which is to reduce, reuse and recycle.

I abhor the methods used in determining the process of in-
cineration instead of the State mandated higher priorities which are reduction and recycling.

I object, vigorously, to the site location which will cause serious, long term aviation HAZARDS; which will cause serious

debilitating, toxicifacation to our farms and people living in the area.

I object to the vendor selection process itself. I believe that felonies are being committed in order to secure this contractor and process. I hope to find who the guilty parties are!

I object to the lack of cost control as evidenced by the ever increasing price tag this project has experienced continuously.

I object to the fact that you sought no vote from the people: You denied us the right to voter initiatives, as if to add insult to injury by conceiving and signing resolution 10639..

I am mortified that you sit there acting dignified, reasonable and orderly, ready with the stroke of your hand, to incinerate the air we ALL share: To inject unlimited toxins and garbage into it, as if the air were capable of absorbing the poisons that landfills cannot.

I fear base motives have robbed you of the insight and imagination necessary to envision sustainable programs which offer solutions instead of problems like fly ash, dioxins, ozone depleting flourocarbons, and acid rain.

In short, I am not happy at all with your past actions. This faciility is the sequel to WPPSS: It features the same producers, directors, actors, grips, stunts, extras, writers and location - the Earth. When the curtain comes down the WIZARD of OZ will be revealed to be a hoax. I object.

Do not use my taxes to incinerate your garbage..

Sincerely,

Don Bockelman

Don Bockelman, Pres. Citizens Alert