

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, October 5, 1987

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9:30 a.m. Discussion and Request for Funding - 1988 Tulip Festival - Jim Koetje.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

10:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Jay Ensley, Acting Director:

1. Call for Public Hearing - Speed Limit Establishment on Ershig Road.
2. Discussion - Structural Engineering Consultant Services.
3. Discussion - R.F.P. Comprehensive Recycling Plan.
4. Update - Resource Recovery Project.
5. Signature - Change Order for Resource Recovery Project.
6. Submittal - Section Status Reports.
7. Miscellaneous Items.

11:00 a.m. Discussion - 1988 Solid Waste Rates - Mayors.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, October 5, 1987, with Commissioners Walberg, Vaux and Rohrer present.

DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR FUNDING - 1988 TULIP FESTIVAL - Jim Koetje.

Joan Houchen, Executive Director, and Jim Koetje, Fund-Raising Chairman of the 1988 Skagit County Tulip Festival, were present for this discussion.

A brief discussion was held regarding the coordination of the Tulip Festival in 1988 with Easter.

Ms. Houchen explained that the opening ceremony for the 1988 Tulip Festival will be held in Sedro-Woolley. Don Gordon, Chairman of the 1988 Skagit Valley Tulip Festival, has suggested the opening ceremony be held on the first Saturday of the festival, and balloons be released instead of fireworks.

Mr. Koetje asked that Skagit County provide \$10,000 towards the 1988 Tulip Festival. This amount is consistent with the County's contribution over the past two years.

Ms. Houchen explained that the Taste of Skagit and the Mount Vernon Street Fair will be held on the second weekend of the festival.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to continue to support the 1988 Skagit County Tulip Festival through funding in the amount of \$10,000 from the County's Hotel/Motel Tax Fund. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. The Board approved for signature an amendment to the Record of the Proceedings for Monday, September 21, 1987. This amendment clarifies the Board's action with regard to a public hearing held to establish a speed limit on a portion of Chilberg Road. The Board overturned the recommendation of the Public Works Department, and allowed the existing posted speed limits to remain.
2. 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, October 5, 1987, 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 #870200 through #870228 (Warrants #8152 through #8600) in the total amount of \$592,734.05. (P-11-87)
- b. Vouchers #71490 through #71622 (Warrants #71490 through #71622) in the total amount of \$236,000.13. (PR-17-87)

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jay Ensley, Acting Director:

1. Call for Public Hearing - Speed Limit Establishment on Ershig Road.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to adopt the resolution calling for a public hearing to consider increasing the speed limit on Ershig Road from the posted 35 m.p.h. between State Highway 11 and Field Road. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #11353)

The public hearing is scheduled for 10:30 a.m., Monday, October 19, 1987.

2. Discussion - Structural Engineering Consultant Services.

The Board received the short list of consultants that responded to the Request for Qualifications for providing structural engineering services for Skagit County. The Board was invited to participate in the interviews of the three firms on the short list.

3. Discussion - R.F.P. Comprehensive Recycling Plan.

Bill Ness, Solid Waste Engineer, explained that the resource recovery facility will be designated as the primary means of disposal, with recycling to assist. Mr. Ness noted that Dr. Mark Backlund, a member of the Citizens Recycling Subcommittee, felt the resource recovery facility and a recycling program should be designated as equal means of disposal in Skagit County.

Mayor Ray Henery, of Burlington, noted that the citizens will need to be convinced that recycling is the means of the future.

Discussion followed.

4. Update - Resource Recovery Project.

Jay Ensley presented a memo to the Board with regard to the progress of the resource recovery project.

Terry Knutzen, of Rural Skagit Sanitation, asked if there would be a location to clean dumpsters and garbage trucks at the resource recovery facility.

Bill Ness will investigate the matter.

5. Signature - Change Order for Resource Recovery Project.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to approve Change Order #2 for the resource recovery project as follows:

a. Landscape design	\$10,670.00
b. Landscape construction (preliminary)	4,597.00
c. Wire conversion (15 KV to 35 KV)	<u>1,928.00</u>
TOTAL COST FOR CHANGE ORDER #2 EXCLUDING SALES TAX . . .	\$17,195.00

Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion to approve Change Order #2. The motion was carried unanimously.

6. Submittal - Section Status Reports.

Jay Ensley presented section status reports for the various divisions within the Public Works Department.

7. Miscellaneous Items.

There were no miscellaneous Public Works Department items at this time.

DISCUSSION - 1988 SOLID WASTE RATES - MAYORS.

The following mayors were present for this discussion: Mayor Lam of La Conner; Mayor Reep of Mount Vernon; Mayor Walley of Sedro-Woolley; and Mayor Henery of Burlington.

Jay Ensley reviewed the proposed 1988 solid waste rates. He noted that exempt commercial waste (refuse collector's certificate on file with the Public Works Department) was proposed to cost \$35 per ton (increased from \$26.50 per ton in 1987).

Terry Knutzen, from Rural Skagit Sanitation, asked how early in the day the resource recovery facility would be open to receive garbage. He felt 8:30 a.m. was rather late and made garbage pickup difficult. He felt 7:30 to 8:00 a.m. was a more realistic hour to begin operation. This matter will be discussed additionally at a later date. Hours of operation at Inman Landfill will also be discussed at a later date, since Inman Landfill will only accept demolition waste.

Mayor Walley stated that previous discussions regarding 1988 solid waste rates revolved around \$32 per ton for exempt commercial waste, rather than \$35 per ton, as being proposed at this time.

Mayor Reep felt the facility should charge more for accepting tires, since they don't break down.

Mayor Henery felt more leachate would be created by tires, asbestos, sheetrock, concrete, roofing, etc. He noted that the County does not have a minimum requirement to meet with regard to disposal of leachate. The County will be charged when leachate is delivered to the Burlington Wastewater Treatment Plant.

Mayor Reep also acknowledged that he was under the impression that the tipping fee for 1988 would be \$32 per ton, rather than \$35 per ton. He asked the Board to review the figures, and to reconsider the rate.

Commissioner Vaux explained that a portion of the tipping fee will be used to locate a new landfill site, since Inman Landfill is only permitted until July of 1995.

Discussion followed.

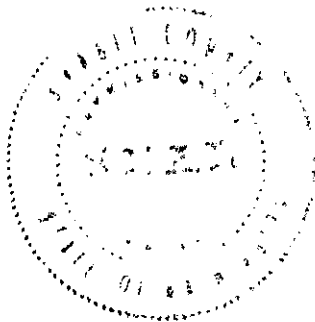
Mayor Walley noted that the City of Sedro-Woolley already adjusted their sewer rates to the citizens in order to accommodate the County's previously proposed fee of \$32 per ton.

The Board thanked everyone for attending this discussion.

ADJOURNMENT

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

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