

SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

Monday, March 28, 1988

- 8:30 a.m. Work Session - Operations Superintendent and Road Supervisors.  
Flag Salute
- 9:00 a.m. Board of Health:
1. Discussion - Children and Family Services Grant for Public Health Nurses.
  2. Discussion - Employee Immunization Policy.
  3. Discussion - Methamphetamine Laboratories.
- 10:15 a.m. Emergency Management - Tom Sheahan, Director: Update on Oil Spill Incidents.
- 10:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Jay Ensley, Director:
1. Bid Award Recommendation - One (1) New Latest Model Vibratory Asphalt Compactor.
  2. Signature - Final Cost Records - South Texas Road.
  3. Update C.R.P. Right-of-Way Costs:
    - a. La Conner-Whitney Road.
    - b. Lake Cavanaugh Road.
    - c. Fir Island Road.
  4. Miscellaneous Items.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
- 1:30 p.m. Bid Opening - 1988-89 County Legal Printing.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, March 28, 1988, with Commissioners Walberg and Rohrer present. Chairman Vaux's absence was excused.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

1. Discussion - Children and Family Services Grant for Public Health Nurses.

Carolyn Milat, Director of Public Health, explained research has shown women at highest risk of caregiving dysfunction, when visited by public health nurses, had fewer verified cases of child abuse and neglect in the first two years of life. The Department of Social and Health Services Region III Office of Division of Children and Family Services has available to Skagit County \$27,458 for public health nurses to develop prevention and early intervention programs regarding child abuse and neglect. The effective date of this

funding is January 1, 1988, through June 30, 1989. Ms. Milat stated she anticipates the grant will be continued in the next biennium. She requested authorization from the Board to hire another Public Health Nurse II at the rate of \$27,549.28 per year, subject to availability of grant funds.

The Board approved of Ms. Milat's request to hire another Public Health Nurse II.

2. Discussion - Employee Immunization Policy.

Linda Speck, R.N., outlined the following intentions regarding an employee immunization policy:

- a. Reduce the risk of staff acquiring and transmitting vaccine preventable diseases.
- b. Decrease any potential liability resulting from employee transmission of disease to the public.
- c. Follow the Center for Disease Control Immunization Recommendations for Health-Care Professionals.

The Health Department recommended vaccine for the following vaccine preventable diseases be provided to susceptible employees at increased risk of exposure in the workplace:

<u>Vaccine</u>	<u>County Cost</u>	<u>Frequency Vaccine is Given</u>
Measles/Rubella	\$ 0	1 time only
Hepatitis B	\$120 per series	1 series only
Influenza	\$ 2 per dose	1 time per year

Tetanus and diptheria vaccine is recommended every 10 years and will be administered at employees' expense.

The Board approved the above recommendation from the Health Department.

3. Discussion - Methamphetamine Laboratories.

Ken Willis, Environmental Health Specialist II, explained the Sheriff's Office recently requested the Health Department consider closing a house which was the site of an alleged methamphetamine lab, due to the finding in other health jurisdictions that the indoor environment could pose an extreme health hazard to new occupants even after the chemicals were removed. He informed the Board that investigations have confirmed the potential for a health hazard, and the

owner of the home has been contacted and requested to leave the house vacant until the situation could be properly evaluated.

Mr. Willis noted the following statistics for the state of Washington:

1986 -- 12 drug lab busts;  
1987 -- 39 drug lab busts; and  
1988 -- estimated 110 drug lab busts.

Mr. Willis noted there is no accepted protocol for what materials to test, what to test them for, who can test them, who pays for the testing, what precautions the samplers should take, etc. The Department of Social and Health Services will be working on this matter. Mr. Willis will keep the Board informed as more information becomes available.

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Tom Sheahan, Director: Update on Oil Spill Incidents.**

Tom Sheahan began this discussion with the Vannon Wave incident which occurred on March 5, 1988. He explained how gravel mixed with oil was removed from the shores of Guemes Island. Mr. Sheahan noted the County will try to recover approximately \$1,300 in ferry fees from the spiller. He also requested the Board consider reducing the \$3,000 in disposal fees for the gravel.

With regard to the Overseas Boston incident occurring on March 18, 1988, Mr. Sheahan commended Shell Oil Company for their concern and assistance throughout the cleanup procedures. He also noted the willingness of KIRO's Chopper 7 to allow use of their helicopter to determine the location of the oil. Mr. Sheahan noted implementation of the Community Awareness Emergency Response Plan was very helpful as well.

A discussion will follow at a later date regarding possible recovery of expenses due to these incidents.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jay Ensley, Director:**

1. **Bid Award Recommendation One (1) New Latest Model Vibratory Asphalt Compactor.**

Jay Ensley informed the Board that the only unit bid for one new latest model vibratory asphalt compactor that meets specifications is McDonald's Hyster Model C615B unit for \$81,053.38, and the Public Works Department, therefore, recommended the bid be awarded accordingly.

Discussion ensued.

Mr. Ensley stated that although they were concerned regarding the apparent lack of competitive bidding, they had conferred with other public entities

which recently purchased this equipment, and the purchase price was comparable.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adopt the resolution awarding the bid to McDonald Industries, Inc., to furnish one new Hyster Model C615B vibratory asphalt compactor, as per specifications, for the bid price of \$81,053.38. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11531)

2. Signature - Final Cost Records - South Texas Road.

The Board approved for signature the final cost records for reconstruction of South Texas Road at a total cost of \$130,702.17.

3. Update C.R.P. Right-of-Way Costs:

a. La Conner-Whitney Road.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing funds in the amount of \$1,000 for right-of-way acquisition for alignment revision at the Downey Road intersection with La Conner-Whitney Road. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11532)

b. Lake Cavanaugh Road.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing funds in the amount of \$15,000 for right-of-way acquisition for Lake Cavanaugh Road. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11533)

c. Fir Island Road.

Commissioner Walberg motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing funds in the amount of \$8,000 for right-of-way acquisition for the realignment of the east approach to the North Fork Bridge on Fir Island Road. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11534)

4. Miscellaneous Items.

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

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. The Board approved for signature a Dance Hall License for Arthur W. Hoffman and the Idle Hour Tavern, located at 706 Old 99, Burlington. This license expires December 31, 1988. (#501)
2. The Board approved for signature a Dance Hall License for Edward and Lee Milkowski and the Whistle Punk Restaurant, located at 2947 Highway 20, Lyman. This license expires March 31, 1989. (#502)
3. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the Record of the Proceedings for Monday, March 21, 1988, and Tuesday, March 22, 1988. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
4. Commissioner Walberg motioned to approve the following Petitions for Property Tax Refund, as recommended by the Skagit County Assessor and Treasurer:
  - a. Mrs. Myron Bentz, 343 Legg Road, Bow, Washington 98232, in the amount of \$100.22, due to senior citizen exemption. (#001588)
  - b. Thomas R. Jenkins, 2601 16th Street, Anacortes, Washington 98221, in the amount of \$310.07, due to senior citizen exemption. (#001488)Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.
5. The Board approved for signature the following contracts with Skagit County Medical Bureau:
  - a. Group Health Care Service Contract for Skagit County Employees, for a period of one year from the effective date of January 1, 1988.
  - b. Endorsement to Amend Skagit County Contract SC-735, 1/88 for LEOFF I Employees.
  - c. Endorsement to Amend Skagit County Contract SC-735, 1/85 for Public Works Department and Sheriff's union employees, until their union contracts are finalized.
6. The Board authorized out-of-state travel for Mike Woodmansee, Budget and Finance Director, to attend the Government Finance Officers Association annual conference in Atlanta, Georgia, beginning the end of April, 1988.
7. The Board authorized out-of-state travel for Bob Lee, Chief Deputy Assessor, to attend a Government Technology Conference in Sacramento, California, in May, 1988.

BID OPENING - 1988-89 COUNTY LEGAL PRINTING.

Commissioner Rohrer waived the reading of the Notice of Call for Bids, as published in the Skagit Argus on February 23, 1988.

The following bids were received:

1. Skagit Valley Herald  
P.O. Box 578  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273  
  
Bid: \$3.80 per column inch
2. The Skagit Argus  
P.O. Box 739  
Mount Vernon, WA 98273  
  
Bid: \$3.80 per column inch

Dan Berentson, Publisher of the Skagit Argus, noted that the Skagit Valley Herald uses a much narrower column width than does the Skagit Argus. Therefore, the Skagit Valley Herald requires 38 percent more column inches to print the same legal notice as does the Skagit Argus. Mr. Berentson asked the Board to consider this fact in evaluation of the bids received.

The Board will additionally review the bids, prior to award of the bid at a later date.

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1. The Board authorized out-of-state travel for Mike Woodmansee, Budget and Finance Director, to attend a Government Technology Conference in Sacramento, California, in May, 1988.
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, March 28, 1988, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows: Warrants #50374 through #50450 (Vouchers #50374 through #50450) in the total amount of \$117,189.20. (R-12-88)

3. Jim Posey, 3601 Francis Road, Mount Vernon, was present to discuss the possibility of leasing the County's leased property at Northern State on which to graze his cattle. Mr. Posey explained his previous lease of

this property with the State of Washington, Department of Natural Resources, expired February 9, 1988. Under that temporary lease, Mr. Posey paid \$10 per acre per year, for a total of \$3950, plus leasehold tax in the amount of \$507.18.

Mr. Posey informed the Board that he currently has cattle on the Northern State property, including that portion currently leased to Skagit County.

Commissioners Rohrer and Walberg felt such an agreement would not adversely affect the County's use of Northern State, so long as the County was protected.

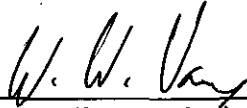
Mr. Posey offered to obtain extra keys to the gates for the County's use, as well as proof of liability insurance.

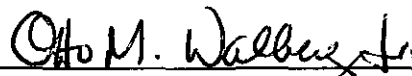
Commissioner Walberg raised a number of legal questions, which he will pose to John Moffat, Skagit County's Chief Civil Deputy. He also encouraged Mr. Posey to contact the Department of Natural Resources regarding lease of the portion of Northern State still under the State's control.


ADJOURNMENT

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

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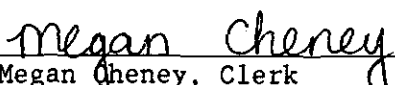
  
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Megan Cheney, Clerk  
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