

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Tuesday, September 27, 1988

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11:30 a.m. Executive Session - Personnel.

7:00 p.m. Public Hearing - Skagit County Comprehensive Flood Control Management Plan. (Location: Hearing Room C, Skagit County Administration Building)

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 27, 1988, with Commissioners W. W. Vaux, Kimberly Walberg, and Dave Rohrer present.

**PUBLIC HEARING - SKAGIT COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE FLOOD CONTROL MANAGEMENT PLAN.**

Chairman Vaux waived the reading of the Notice of Public Hearing, as published in The Skagit Argus on September 13, and September 20, 1988.

The following individuals were present for this public hearing: Don Nelson, Skagit County Flood Control Engineer; Steve Wood, Director of the Skagit County Department of Planning and Community Development; Laura Belvin, hydraulics expert of Brown and Caldwell, Consulting Engineers; Jack Warburton, Vice President of Brown and Caldwell, Consulting Engineers; and seven citizens.

Mr. Nelson explained that this public hearing was called to review a proposed Skagit County Comprehensive Flood Control Management Plan for continued eligibility to receive State Flood Control Assistance Account Program grant funds. Mr. Nelson noted that copies of the plan are available to those who wish to review it in depth. This public hearing will be continued until 7:00 p.m., on Tuesday, October 18, 1988, in order to allow additional public input prior to the adoption of the Skagit County Comprehensive Flood Control Management Plan. Mr. Nelson also noted that a letter regarding this matter was mailed to every Dike and Drainage District Commissioner in Skagit County.

Mr. Nelson introduced Laura Belvin, hydraulics expert, and Jack Warburton, Vice President, both of Brown and Caldwell, the consulting engineers who prepared the proposed Comprehensive Flood Control Management Plan.

Mr. Warburton explained this plan will also enable the County to proceed in a consistent, coordinated approach to flood control.

Ms. Belvin illustrated the five project areas on a map of the area:

1. Urban rural areas;

2. Coastal areas;
3. Leveed area;
4. Feeder streams; and
5. Upper Skagit/Samish Valleys.

She explained they have identified, evaluated and prioritized fourteen problem areas, based on current situations.

Mr. Warburton reviewed the proposed implementation schedule. Although the plan is not due until July 1, 1989, they hope to have approval from the State Department of Ecology near the end of 1988 or early 1989.

Mr. Nelson explained that this plan will allow the application for funds from the State Department of Ecology Flood Control Grant Fund. This plan will also aid in the prioritization of projects. Emergency funds on an 80 percent basis are available up to \$125,000 per County.

Ron Knutzen asked if adoption of the plan will affect the degree of difficulty there is in obtaining funds.

Mr. Nelson stated he felt adoption of the plan will stabilize the degree of difficulty to some extent.

In answer to a question from Commissioner Walberg, Mr. Nelson stated the executive summary of the plan was also included with the letters to all Dike and Drainage District Commissioners.

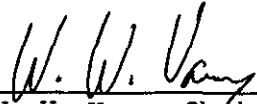
Discussion followed regarding determination of assessments by various districts within Skagit County.

The Board thanked everyone for attending this public hearing, and noted input will continue to be accepted through October 18, 1988.

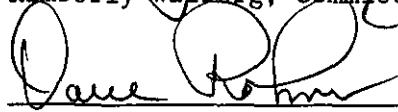
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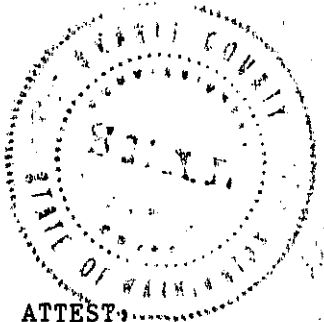
Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Walberg seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

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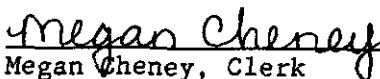
  
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Dave Rohrer, Commissioner



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Megan Cheney, Clerk  
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