

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, December 19, 1988

Flag Salute

9:00 a.m. Public Hearing - Amendment to Health Department Fee Schedule.

10:00 a.m. Executive Session - Litigation.

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

1. Public Hearing - Opening of Unopened County Right-of-Way - Sharpe Lane.
2. Public Hearing - TCI Cablevision Franchise Application.
3. Discussion - Traffic Safety Committee.
4. Signature - City/County Agreement - North Legg Road Crossing.
5. Signature - Establish CRP - Prairie Road, et al.
6. Signature - Contract - Gibraltar Road Guardrail Project.
7. Miscellaneous Items.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1:30 p.m. Public Hearing - Park Camping Fees.

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2:00 p.m. Interviews - Skagit County Treasurer Candidates.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, December 19, 1988, with Commissioners W. W. Vaux, Ruth Wylie and Dave Rohrer present.

PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT TO HEALTH DEPARTMENT FEE SCHEDULE.

Chairman Vaux waived the reading of the Notice of Public Hearing, as published in The Skagit Argus on November 29, 1988.

John Thayer, Environmental Health Supervisor, explained the proposed colilert water bacteriology test would provide a much faster service (within 24 hours), which would be especially desirable for certain Public Utility District (PUD) construction projects. Mr. Thayer explained the Health Department proposed to begin by offering this test method to utilities only for a fee of \$15 per test.

Greg Peterka, of PUD #1, stated the colilert method will be used in special instances which will be cost effective.

Mr. Thayer noted that currently the test has not received Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approval, but this is expected early next year.

Hearing no further comments, Commissioner Rohrer motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to amend the Health Department Schedule of Charges to include a \$15 fee for the colilert water bacteriology test, to be effective when this method receives EPA approval. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jay Ensley, Director:

1. Public Hearing - Opening of Unopened County Right-of-Way - Sharpe Lane.

Chairman Vaux waived the reading of the Notice of Public Hearing, as published in The Skagit Argus on December 6, and December 13, 1988.

Jay Ensley explained George McCorkle is requesting to improve a section of Sharpe Lane right-of-way for a distance of 115 feet more or less, running northerly from the terminus of Sharpe Lane #1304, a County Road, to the corner of Sections 11, 14, 15 and 10, Township 34 North, Range 1 East, W.M.

Mr. McCorkle explained this road would serve three lots in a short plat. Once the Plat of Seaview Division #3 is completed, it was planned that the extension of Sharpe Lane would be used as a secondary emergency access only.

Hearing no further comments, Chairman Vaux motioned to close the public hearing.

Mr. Ensley recommended Mr. McCorkle be allowed to utilize the requested County right-of-way based on the following conditions:

- a. That the unimproved section be improved to short plat road requirements, as stated in Ordinance #5544.
- b. That permission to utilize the section be granted on the basis that there is no maintenance obligation on the part of the County.
- c. That a drainage plan be submitted to Don Nelson of the Public Works Department for review and approval.
- d. That the improved section shall be used only to access the proposed three-lot short plat to be submitted to the Planning Department.
- e. That the improved section will not be constructed at anytime as a through roadway to any other existing or future County or private road.

Mr. McCorkle was agreeable to the above listed conditions.

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

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve the request to allow the opening of the previously described unopened County right-of-way on Sharpe Lane, subject to the previously listed conditions. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. Public Hearing - TCI Cablevision, Inc., Franchise.

Chairman Vaux waived the reading of the Notice of Public Hearing, as published in The Skagit Argus on November 29, and December 6, 1988.

Jay Ensley explained this application for franchise was limited to the following area: the easterly border of Range 8 from Snohomish County to Whatcom County extending west and inclusive of all portions of Skagit County contained therein.

Bob Huisman, of TCI Cablevision, Inc., explained this franchise was agreeable to both sides.

Tim Brockman asked what communities would be included in the expanded franchise.

Mr. Huisman stated it included the area from west of Lyman to east of Concrete.

Mr. Ensley explained this is a non-exclusive franchise which is valid for 25 years.

Mr. Huisman explained that the plans for expansion aren't final, however, this was the time to expand the boundaries for the next 25 years.

Hearing no further comments, Commissioner Rohrer motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve the franchise application for TCI Cablevision, Inc., as presented. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Franchise #11867)

3. Discussion - Traffic Safety Committee.

Jeff Monsen, Skagit County Engineer, presented information regarding organizational representation and potential agenda items with regard to the proposed Traffic Safety Committee. He recommended mailing this information to potential committee members.

The Board approved of Mr. Monsen's proposal and authorized him to proceed.

4. Signature - City/County Agreement - North Legg Road Crossing.

The Board approved for signature the Washington State Department of Transportation City/County Agreement, Supplement #2, for the installation of traffic control devices at the North Legg Road railroad crossing. This project will be 90 percent federally funded.

5. Signature - Establish CRP - Prairie Road, et al.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing preliminary engineering funds in the amount of \$15,000 for the upgrading of bridge rails and approach guardrails on Prairie Road and South Skagit Highway. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #11868)

6. Signature - Contract - Gibraltar Road Guardrail Project.

This item was unavailable at this time and will be addressed next week.

7. Miscellaneous Items.

a. The Board approved for signature the Final Cost Record for the reconstruction of 0.19 mile of Fir Island and Chilberg Roads. The total cost of this project was \$108,562.38.

b. The Board authorized the scheduling of a public meeting to review Chilberg Road at 7:00 p.m., on Monday, January 23, 1989, at the Rexville Grange.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Chairman Vaux motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for W. A. Stewart, 1321 Avon Allen Road, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, in the amount of \$765.70, due to senior citizen exemption. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (#013288)

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, December 19, 1988, the Board, by a unanimous vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list

and further described as follows: Vouchers #75413 through #75471 (Warrants #75413 through #75471) in the total amount of \$14,065.00 (PR-23-88)

3. Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve a request for Betsy Stevenson, Assistant Director of the Planning Department, to attend a seminar entitled Management Skills for Planners in San Francisco, California, in January 1989. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
4. The Board approved for signature Endorsement #1 to the Skagit County Medical Bureau Group Health Care Service Contract for Skagit County Employees effective January 1, 1989.
5. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to approve as to content and form the Quit Claim Deed by which Glacier Park Company, a Delaware Corporation, conveys and quit claims to Skagit County a parcel of Burlington Northern property located to the north of the County Shop in Burlington for the purchase price of \$82,479.72. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
6. The Board approved for signature the Lease between Skagit County and the Skagit Community Mental Health Center for the property located at 108 Broadway, Mount Vernon. This Lease shall be effective through September 30, 1998.
7. The Board approved for signature amendments to the following 1988 Service Provider Contracts, which extend the Contracts with the agencies through June 30, 1989:
 - a. Skagit County Council on Alcoholism
 - b. Chinook Enterprises
 - c. Skagit Community Mental Health Center
 - d. Skagit Pre-School Association for Rehabilitation of Children (SPARC)
8. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution approving a sewer extension connection to Whatcom County Water District #12 for the Washington State Patrol. (Resolution #11869)
9. Chairman Vaux motioned to adopt the resolution calling for a public hearing at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, December 28, 1988, to consider whether a resolution shall be adopted authorizing a supplemental budget in the amount of \$776,000 for the Current Expense Fund #001. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #11870)

10. Chairman Vaux motioned to adopt the resolution calling for a public hearing at 10:00 a.m., on Wednesday, December 28, 1988, to consider whether a resolution shall be adopted authorizing a supplemental budget in the amount of \$1,525 for the Parks and Recreation Fund #114. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #11871)
11. Rich Royston, a student at Western Washington University, presented a copy of the results of a telephone survey he conducted regarding the County's resource recovery facility. He felt the results indicated that more people don't want incineration now than before the facility was constructed. Mr. Royston requested the Board schedule this matter on the agenda as an informational item.

The Board thanked Mr. Royston for the survey.

PUBLIC HEARING - PARK CAMPING FEES.

Chairman Vaux waived the reading of the Notice of Public Hearing as published in The Skagit Argus on December 6, 1988.

Jon Aarstad, Director of the Parks and Recreation Department, explained the proposed fees, including the following:

Campsites with hookups	\$9.00 per day
Campsites/tent sites without hookups	7.00 per day
Adirondacks	8.00 per day

Hearing no further comments, Chairman Vaux motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

Chairman Vaux motioned to adopt the resolution approving the user fee schedule for the Howard Miller Steelhead Park as proposed. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously. (Resolution #11872)

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. Commissioner Rohrer motioned to authorize the continuation of a public hearing originally scheduled for 1:30 p.m., on Tuesday, December 27, 1988, for the purpose of setting rental fees for public use of fairground facilities, until 9:00 a.m., on Wednesday, January 4, 1989. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.
2. The Board approved for signature an Instructional Services Agreement between the Parks and Recreation Department and Around and About Prospecting, 5649 Hudson Lane, Ferndale, WA 98248, for gold prospecting lessons to take place on January 12, 19 and 26, 1989. Compensation shall

be at the rate of 90 percent of program fees after Department expenses.

3. The Board approved for signature the following Professional Services Agreements for basketball scorekeepers, referees, and coaches, effective January 1, 1989, and continuing through December 31, 1989:
 - a. Andy Judd, 100 La Venture, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.
 - b. Curt Wilson, 1321 North 26th, Apt. #315, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.
 - c. Shawn Jellison, 1617 North 26th, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.
 - d. Craig Morgan, 100 South La Venture, #9, Mount Vernon, WA 98273.

Compensation shall be at the rate of \$5 to \$6 per game for scorekeepers, depending on league; \$11 per game for referees; and \$5 per hour for youth camp coaches.

4. The Board received copies of a list of Winter Recreation Programs for 1989.
5. The Board received copies of favorable results of an inspection of Howard Miller Steelhead Park, as conducted by the Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation (IAC).
6. The Board approved for signature the Consolidated Contract between the State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services and Skagit County Health Department for the following programs:
 - a. Maternal-Child Health Program
 - b. Children with Special Health Care Needs Program
 - c. Case Management Program
 - d. Women's, Infant's and Children's Program
 - e. AIDS Prevention and Surveillance Program
 - f. Comprehensive Health Program

The period of performance for this Contract shall be from January 1, 1989, through December 31, 1989, unless terminated sooner.

7. 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, December 19, 1988, 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 #52161 through #52296 (Warrants #52161 through #52296) in the total amount of \$277,229.62. (R-37-88)
- b. Vouchers #812618 through #813266 (Warrants #39647 through #40127) in the total amount of \$358,358.98. (C-52-88)

INTERVIEWS - SKAGIT COUNTY TREASURER CANDIDATES.

Chairman Vaux announced that the Board was in receipt of resumes from each of the three candidates: Dan O'Donnell, Astrid Dahl and Tim Bridges. At this time, the Board did not wish to receive input from the public. The Board asked numerous questions of the three candidates.

Following the questioning, Chairman Vaux stated he felt the three were fairly equally qualified.

Commissioner Rohrer thanked all three candidates for their interest in the position.

Commissioner Wylie stated her appreciation for the candidates' interest as well, but expressed her disappointment in the fact that the most qualified candidate, Chief Deputy Treasurer Katie Jungquist, was excluded from the list. Commissioner Wylie noted that whoever is selected will have an enormous responsibility ahead of them.

Commissioner Rohrer motioned to appoint Dan O'Donnell to the position of Skagit County Treasurer.


Chairman Vaux stated he felt the decision was between Ms. Dahl and Mr. O'Donnell, due to the fact that they have both served in public office. He stated he liked Mr. O'Donnell's straightforwardness, but hoped he wouldn't be abrasive.

Chairman Vaux seconded the motion made by Commissioner Rohrer to appoint Dan O'Donnell to the position of Skagit County Treasurer effective January 23, 1989. The motion was carried unanimously.

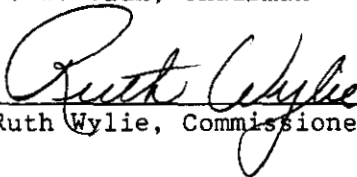
ADJOURNMENT

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



W. W. Vaux, Chairman

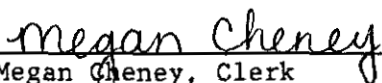


Ruth Wylie, Commissioner

Dave Rohrer, Commissioner



ATTEST:



Megan Cheney, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners