

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, February 13, 1989

- 8:30 a.m. Work Session - Operations Superintendent/Road Supervisors.
Flag Salute
- 9:00 a.m. Board of Health:
1. Discussion of Proposed State Board of Health Rules and Regulations Governing Recreational Shellfish.
 2. Solid Waste Enforcement Grant Amendment.
 3. Legislation of Public Health Significance.
- 10:00 a.m. Resolution - Change in Election Board and Counting Board Compensation.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS
- 10:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Jay Ensley, Director:
1. Signature - Resolution Regarding Inman Landfill Operating Hours.
 2. Signature - Property Acquisition Earnest Agreement.
 3. Signature - Resolution Opening Unopened County Right-of-Way - Soren Road.
 4. Discussion - Ferry Facilities Remodel.
 5. Miscellaneous Items.
- 11:00 a.m. Department of Emergency Management - Tom Sheahan, Director:
Discussion - Wind Damage Assessment in Marblemount Area.
- 1:30 p.m. Public Works Department - Jay Ensley, Director:
Public Hearing - Road Establishment - Portion of Channel Drive (to be held at the site).
- 3:00 p.m. Facilities - Roger Howard, Director:
1. Discussion - Marblemount Preschool.
 2. Signature - Personal Services Contract - Telephone Consultant.
 3. Discussion - Gibraltar Greenhouse Facility.
 4. Miscellaneous Items.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 13, 1989, with Commissioners Dave Rohrer and Ruth Wylie present. Commissioner W. W. Vaux's absence was excused.

BOARD OF HEALTH:

1. Discussion of Proposed State Board of Health Rules and Regulations Governing Recreational Shellfish.

John Thayer, Environmental Health Specialist III, reported the Puget Sound Water Quality Authority (PSWQA) has mandated that the Department of Ecology (DOE) and the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) develop standards for recreational shellfish beaches. The established purpose of the regulations is to protect public health and establish procedures for evaluating the sanitary quality of recreational shellfish beaches. A public hearing conducted by DSHS to receive public comment will be held at 7:00 p.m., on Wednesday, February 15, 1989, in Hearing Room B of the County Administration Building.

Mr. Thayer reviewed the major points of the proposed regulations.

Discussion ensued regarding methods used to inform the public of closed beaches and sampling procedures.

Mr. Thayer informed the Board that no funding is available for this program. He will keep the Board apprised of further developments regarding this program.

2. Solid Waste Enforcement Grant Amendment.

Ken Willis, Environmental Health Specialist II, informed the Board that in 1988, the Health Department applied for and received \$25,000 in funds which allowed the hiring of Judith Brown, Environmental Health Specialist I. Ms. Brown will divide her time primarily between reports of illegal dumping and investigation of abandoned dumps in Skagit County.

Mr. Willis explained additional funding was available, so the Health Department applied for approximately \$6,000 to purchase four monitoring well pumps for Inman Landfill. The County's share would be approximately \$2,000 from the Public Works Department. This additional grant funding will help the County purchase equipment which would have eventually been purchased, thus saving an enormous amount of time and money.

3. Legislation of Public Health Significance.

John Thayer, Environmental Health Specialist III, reviewed the following legislative issues of public health significance:

- a. State Department of Health (SB 5454 and HB 1324)
- b. Washington State Safe Drinking Water Act (HB 1561 and SB 5281)
- c. Small Public Water Supplies (SB 5611)
- d. Transfer of Public Water (groundwater) to Ecology (HB 1036)

- e. Irradiated Food Labeling (HB 1000)
- f. Reporting of Pesticide Related Illnesses (HB 1089)
- g. Radon Studies (HB 1301)

Tom Karsh, Environmental Health Specialist II, reviewed the following legislative issues:

- h. Water Use Efficiency (SB 5195)
- i. Waterfront Septic System Repairs (HB 1369 and SB 5356)

The Board will be similarly updated on legislative issues of public health significance in the future.

RESOLUTION - CHANGE IN ELECTION BOARD AND COUNTING BOARD COMPENSATION.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution authorizing the following compensation to Election Board and Counting Board workers:

For the period beginning January 1, 1989, through December 31, 1989:

- 1. Judges \$58.00 per day to include mileage up to 20 miles
- 2. Inspectors \$66.00 per day to include mileage up to 20 miles
- 3. Judges - training time \$3.85 per hour
- 4. Inspectors - training time \$3.85 per hour
- 5. Counting Board workers \$3.85 per hour

For the period beginning January 1, 1990, and thereafter:

- 1. Judges \$64.00 per day to include mileage up to 20 miles
- 2. Inspectors \$72.00 per day to include mileage up to 20 miles
- 3. Judges - training time \$4.25 per hour
- 4. Inspectors - training time \$4.25 per hour
- 5. Counting Board workers \$4.25 per hour

Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11919)

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jay Ensley, Director:

1. Signature - Resolution Regarding Inman Landfill Operating Hours.

In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution changing the operating hours of Inman Landfill, effective February 20, 1989, as follows:

- a. Mondays through Fridays: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. throughout the entire year
- b. Saturdays and Sundays: Open on a Summer/Winter Schedule as noted below
 - Summer hours: 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (beginning with Daylight Savings Time - usually March or April)
 - Winter hours: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. (beginning with Standard Time - usually September or October)

(Resolution #11920)

2. Signature - Property Acquisition Earnest Agreement.

The Board approved for signature the Earnest Money Receipt and Agreement for purchase of a strip of Puget Sound Power and Light Company right-of-way adjacent to the Burlington Shop property.

3. Signature - Resolution - Opening Unopened County Right-of-Way - Soren Road.

In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution authorizing the opening of a County right-of-way off Soren Road, subject to the following conditions:

- a. That the unimproved section be improved as an access driveway;
- b. That permission to utilize the section be granted on the basis that there is no maintenance obligation on the part of the County; and
- c. That the drainage plan submitted to Don Nelson of the Public Works Department for review and approval be implemented.

(Resolution #11921)

4. Discussion - Ferry Facilities Remodel.

This item was postponed until next week, so Commissioner Vaux could be present.

5. Miscellaneous Items.

- a. The Board approved for signature the Contract for Professional Services with Leonard and Boudinot, Inc., for the following services:

- (1) Survey and setting of property corners on the property purchased by Skagit County from Burlington Northern; and
- (2) Survey and preparation of documents for boundary line adjustment.
- (3) Filing of a legal survey of items 1 and 2, as required by Washington State law.

The Contract shall be completed within 30 calendar days, and compensation shall not exceed \$3,200.

- b. Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution calling for bids to furnish or furnish and install a new Caterpillar Model 3208 engine. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11922)

Bids will be received and publicly opened at 1:30 p.m., on Monday, February 27, 1989.

DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT - Tom Sheahan, Director:

Discussion - Wind Damage Assessment in Marblemount Area.

Tom Sheahan presented photos of wind damage at Marblemount, an overturned barge at Anacortes, and a propane truck accident in Big Lake. Total damage resulting from high winds at Marblemount was \$15,300.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Jerry Chastain, Mount Vernon Postmaster, presented a photo of the new 25-cent commemorative stamp being issued by the United States Postal Service in recognition of the Washington State Centennial.

Tim Boles, Chairman of the Washington State Centennial Committee of Skagit County, was also present.

Mr. Chastain explained the stamp will receive initial public exposure in a first day of issue ceremony on George Washington's Birthday, February 22, 1989, in the Rotunda of the Legislative Hall in Olympia. The second day ceremony in Mount Vernon will be held at the Mount Vernon Post Office at 11:00 a.m., on February 23, 1989. Interested customers wishing to collect these official second cancellation may bring in their own envelopes and purchase the new stamp anytime during business hours, 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., and obtain the special cancellation. In the room at the end of the lobby hall from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m., interested persons may stop in and watch the cancellation being made, or have theirs cancelled at that time.

Mr. Boles informed the Board of plans to rent a Washington State Ferry on November 11, 1989, for a very large celebration of the State Centennial.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jay Ensley, Director:

Public Hearing - Road Establishment - Portion of Channel Drive.

Chairman Rohrer waived the reading of the Notice of Public Hearing, as published in The Skagit Argus on January 24, and January 31, 1989.

The following persons were present at the site for this public hearing: Chairman Rohrer; Commissioner Wylie; Jay Ensley; Jeff Monsen, Skagit County Engineer; Perry Hatcher; Dorothy Kesselring; Cindy Ritchie; Jim Ritchie; Maude Misner; and Darcy Wells.

Following discussion regarding the possibility of establishing a portion of Channel Drive as a primitive County road, the Board continued the public hearing until 1:30 p.m., Monday, February 27, 1989, in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

FACILITIES - Roger Howard, Director:

1. Discussion - Marblemount Preschool.

Roger Howard informed the Board that representatives of the Marblemount Cooperative Preschool are interested in insulating the County-owned building they occupy. They have agreed to perform the labor, if the County will pay for the cost of the insulation materials. Mr. Howard explained he has contacted Puget Power regarding their partial-funding program, and Skagit County is on the waiting list. Mr. Howard estimated Skagit County's cost would not exceed several hundred dollars.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to authorize Skagit County's participation in the insulation of the County-owned building leased by the Marblemount Cooperative

Preschool. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered.

2. Signature - Personal Services Contract - Telephone Consultant.

The Board approved for signature the Contract for Professional Services with Knott & Zehring, Inc., to serve as Skagit County's consultant in a project to connect the Sheriff's Office to the "911" services.

3. Discussion - Gibraltar Greenhouse Facility.

Roger Howard informed the Board that the County's obligation to retain ownership of the Gibraltar greenhouse facility will end in September, 1989. The owners of Summersun Greenhouse Company informed Mr. Howard they are not interested in purchasing the facility, but it would be very useful for them to continue to rent it.

Mr. Howard explained he didn't know if anyone would be interested in purchasing the facility. The current tenant is maintaining the facility in good condition. Currently, the County receives \$300 per month rent from Summersun Greenhouse Company.

It was the consensus of the Board that it was to the County's advantage to lease the facility until such time as someone expresses interest in purchasing it.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

1. The Board approved for signature a Contract for Professional Services with Lowell Ashbach, Jr., for the provision of professional legal services in performing all Superior Court and Juvenile Court conflict cases that are considered to be conflict of interest cases for the Skagit County Public Defender's Office. This Contract shall be effective through December 31, 1989.
2. Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution increasing the revolving fund for the Skagit County Retired Senior Volunteer Program from \$1,200 to \$1,400 by warrant drawn on Senior Services Fund #118. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11923)
3. The Board approved for signature the Contract for Professional Services with Stephen Schutt, attorney, for representation of Allen Metzger in the dependency of his son, Kenneth Ammons, in Skagit County Superior Court Cause #88-7-00043-4. This Contract shall commence on January 25, 1989, and continue until completion of the case. Compensation shall be at the rate of \$300 for the first eight hours, and \$40 per hour thereafter.

4. The Board approved for signature a Public Official Bond for Gary Frazier, Skagit County Sheriff.
5. The Board approved for signature the Contract for the Provision of Senior Services with the City of Mount Vernon for calendar year 1989. Compensation to Skagit County shall be in the amount of \$19,300.
6. The Board approved for signature the following Quit Claim Deeds for parcels which were sold with erroneous legal descriptions:
 - a. Gary L. Steiger for Parcel #143507-0-035-0005; and
 - b. Rand Johnson for a portion of Parcel #123303-2-006-0004.
7. The Board approved for signature the Contract for Professional Services with Stephen R. Skelton for the provision of professional legal services in performing all Superior Court and Juvenile Court conflict cases that are considered to be conflict of interest cases for the Skagit County Public Defender's Office. This Contract shall be effective through December 31, 1989.
8. Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution appointing Rich Medved as a member of the Civil Service Commission, effective January 20, 1989, and continuing until January 19, 1995. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11924)
9. Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution reappointing Nick Petrish, Jr., as a member of the Civil Service Commission, effective January 20, 1989, and continuing until January 19, 1995. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (Resolution #11925)
10. Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve the Petition for Property Tax Refund for Deryl C. Kettells, 4414 A Baker Drive, Concrete, WA 98237, in the amount of \$156.34, due to senior citizen exemption. Chairman Rohrer seconded the motion. The motion was carried and so ordered. (#896210)
11. 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, February 13, 1989, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

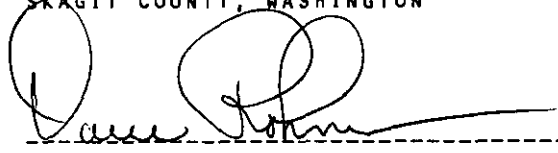
- a. Vouchers #60081 through #60199 (Warrants #60081 through #60199) in the total amount of \$83,600.14. (R-7-89)

- b. Vouchers #900396 through #900858 (Warrants #41356 through #41690) in the total amount of \$341,669.25. (C-7-89)

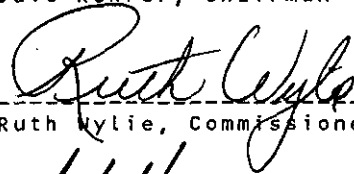
ADJOURNMENT

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



Dave Rohrer, Chairman



Ruth Wylie, Commissioner



W. W. Vaux, Commissioner



ATTEST:



Megan Cheney, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners