

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, June 26, 1989

- 9:00 a.m. Call for Bids - Clear Lake Septic System.
- 9:30 a.m. Call for Bids - Concrete Senior Center Energy Conservation Indoor and Outdoor Lighting.
- 10:00 a.m. Auditor's Office:
- 1) Annual Financial Report.
 - 2) Request for New Part-Time Position.
- 10:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Mark Spahr, Director:
- 1) Discussion - Economic Emergency - Fishing Related Businesses: Emergency Management Department.
 - 2) Call for Public Hearing - Speed Limit Reduction - South Front Street in Clear Lake.
 - 3) Miscellaneous.
- 1:30 p.m. 1) Bid Opening - Rosario Road et al Asphalt Overlay.
2) Miscellaneous.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met on Monday, June 26, 1989, in regular session with Commissioners Dave Rohrer, Ruth Wylie, and W. W. Vaux present.

CALL FOR BIDS - CLEAR LAKE SEPTIC SYSTEM.

This item was deferred to another day, as the Parks and Recreation Department was unprepared to call for bids at this time.

CALL FOR BIDS - CONCRETE SENIOR CENTER ENERGY CONSERVATION INDOOR AND OUTDOOR LIGHTING.

In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature a resolution rejecting all bids received on June 6, 1989, due to the low bid exceeding the estimate by 50%. (Resolution # 12102)

Tim Holloran, Senior Services Director, explained that the bid package had been modified to stay within the budgeted allotment for lighting. Commissioner Vaux then motioned to call for bids to be opened Monday, July 24, 1989, at 1:30 p.m., for energy conservation indoor and outdoor lighting at the Concrete Senior Center. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

AUDITOR'S OFFICE:

- 1) Annual Financial Report.

Jerry McInturff, Skagit County Auditor, presented the Skagit County Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ending December 31,

1988. He stated that this is the second year this report has been produced by the Auditor's Office. Application has been made for both State and National Certification, and it is anticipated that at least State Certification will be received. Mr. McInturff credited Kathy Longfellow, Internal Auditor/Chief Accountant, with the majority of the work on this accomplishment. He stated that Whatcom, Snohomish and Island Counties have yet to produce an annual financial report for their counties. Mr. McInturff stated that a Notice of Availability will be published in the newspapers for those wishing to review the report, and a condensed version of the report will be available for those requesting a financial report.

The Board commended the Auditor's Office for their efforts in completing this report.

2) Request for New Part-Time Position.

Mr. McInturff provided a graphed breakdown of the Recording Department activities from 1986 to date, as well as projected 1990 figures. Graphing was also submitted on real estate sales recording, 1986-1990, and comparison of staffing levels from 1979 to present. A fourth graph showed the revenues realized by the Recording Department and broken down according to function, for 1986 to 1990 (projected). Mr. McInturff proposed to move an employee who has prior experience in the Recording Department from her position in the Accounting Department to the Recording Department, and to increase a half-time employee in the Accounting Department to full time. The cost for an additional half time employee in 1989 will be just under \$6,000, which Mr. McInturff stated could be recouped through the revenues generated by increased Recording Department activity.

The Board discussed the recent surge in real estate sales and Skagit County's appeal to new residents. The Board determined that, having received requests from several departments for additional employees, a complete review of all requests should be made prior to making any decision on Mr. McInturff's request.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - MARK SPAHR, DIRECTOR:

1) Discussion - Economic Emergency - Fishing Related Businesses: Emergency Management Department.

Tom Sheahan, Department of Emergency Services Director, stated that he has been contacted by the Washington State Department of Emergency Management regarding the impact of the Alaska oil spill on the fishing industry. A 150 day deadline has been set for applications for economic aid to individual fishing businesses. Mr. Sheahan stated that he has received eight applications from local fishing businesses for financial aid due to the loss of income experienced because of closure or modification of waterways affected by the oil spill from the Exxon tanker Valdez near Bligh Island in Prince William Sound. He does, however, feel that there are additional fishing related businesses who are out of the area and unable to make application at this time. In accordance with communications with the Washington State Department of Emergency Services, Mr. Sheahan read and presented a resolution

requesting that the Governor of the State of Washington pursue Small Business Administration (SBA) assistance for the economic injury sustained by the fishing related businesses in Skagit County.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt Mr. Sheahan's resolution and to approve for signature a letter to the Washington State Department of Emergency Management, which will accompany the resolution that will subsequently be presented to the Governor via the State Department of Emergency Management.

Commissioner Vaux declared that he would like to see included in the resolution that the Governor seek reparation from the Exxon Company for damages to the fishing industry, as well as the environment.

Mr. Sheahan suggested that, rather than cloud the issue of compensation for local fishermen with the condemnation of actions by the Exxon Company, that a separate letter be sent to the Governor expressing these concerns.

Commissioner Vaux then seconded the motion made by Commissioner Wylie. The motion passed unanimously. (Resolution #12103)

2) Call for Public Hearing - Speed Limit Reduction - South Front Street in Clear Lake.

Mr. Spahr read a resolution calling for a public hearing to consider lowering the speed limit on South Front Street in Clear Lake, in front of the Clear Lake Park, from 35 M.P.H. to 25 M.P.H.

Chairman Rohrer suggested that a closure of the entire road for public parking may be a better means of ensuring the safety of pedestrians from the Clear Lake Park. Mr. Spahr indicated that this suggestion, as well as cul de sacking or one way traffic might also be considered, and that the resolution could be changed to reflect these considerations.

Commissioner Vaux then motioned to instruct the Clerk of the Board to call for a Public Hearing on July 17, 1989, at 10:30 a.m., to review parking safety and speed limit issues concerning South Front Street in Clear Lake, a resolution to be signed at a later date. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which was approved unanimously.

3) Miscellaneous.

A. Don Nelson, Section Manager - Flood Control, reported that breakdown of a dike on Fisher's Slough caused water to run through the dike and into an adjoining ditch. Because of concern for the complete failure of the dike and flooding of surrounding lands, application was made to the Washington State Department of Ecology (D.O.E.) for funds to repair the dike. Both written and verbal permission was received to proceed with the project. Mr. Nelson stated that a typical D.O.E. flood control grant contract is submitted at this time for signature, granting \$23,931.00 of the \$29,913.75 in eligible project costs. Mr. Nelson stated that the remainder of the costs will be reimbursed to Skagit County from the two diking districts involved.

The Board then approved the contract with D.O.E. for signature.

- B. Mr. Spahr stated that a problem exists in the summer ferry rates. He stated that due to the increase in rates from the summer surcharge, it costs more for one passenger with an automobile to cross than for a motor home, which was exempted from the surcharge.

The Board directed Mr. Spahr to remedy this discrepancy in charges.

- C. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature a contract for legal printing for July 1, 1989, through June 30, 1990, with The Skagit Argus.
- D. The Board approved for signature the following Petition for Property Tax Refund:
- 1) Ronald A. Johnson, 688 Farm-to-Market Road, Bow, WA 98232, in the amount of \$846.39, due to a manifest error which did not change to property to Open Space in 1986. (005989)
- E. Commissioner Vaux motioned to adopt the Record of the Proceedings from Monday, June 19, 1989, as submitted. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.
- F. Commissioner Vaux, due to an error in the publishing of the previous Notice of Public Hearing, motioned to adopt a resolution reissuing the Notice of Public Hearing to consider the proposed comprehensive Six-Year Road Program, on July 17, 1989, at 10:30 a.m. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution #12104)
- G. The Board approved for signature Form Amendment #1620-72796(2) between the Skagit County Health Department and D.S.H.S. which modifies the original contract's Allocation Sheet to reflect allocation of vaccine to the Health Department in lieu of cash, not to exceed a value of \$37,393.00.
- H. The Board approved for signature an Interagency Agreement between the Skagit County Health Department and D.S.H.S. for funds in the amount of up to \$36,612.00 for the biennium beginning July 1, 1989, to June 30, 1991, to be used for primary prevention and early intervention programs for mothers with high risk of poor pregnancy outcomes due to such factors as the socio-economic status of the mother, parental substance abuse, or the intellectual, physical or mental impairment of the parent.
- I. The Board approved for signature Amendment #2 to Grant Agreement #G0088156 between the Parks and Recreation Department and the Department of Ecology (D.O.E.), extending the project completion date of the Padilla Bay Toptrail from June 30, 1989, to August 10, 1989.

BID OPENING - ROSARIO ROAD ET AL ASPHALT OVERLAY.

This item was rescheduled for July 10, 1989, at 1:30 p.m., and a corresponding Call for Bids resubmitted for publishing due to an error which resulted in the

original Call for Bids not being published in accordance with County policy.


MISCELLANEOUS.

- A. Don McKeehen, DWI/Safety Belt Project Coordinator, presented a Project Agreement between the Washington Traffic Safety Commission and the Skagit County Department of Public Works for a Skagit County DWI/Safety Belt Task Force. Mr. McKeehen stated that this is the same contract as that signed two years ago, and provides funds in the amount of \$32,275 for salary and benefits for a Task Force Coordinator, requiring a \$17,728.00 matching share by the Public Works Department in the form of office space, office furniture and computer time, telephone expenses, travel expenses, office expenses and materials and additional assistants.
- B. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution extending the moratorium on permit applications by fish net pen facilities to April 30, 1992.
- C. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution calling for bids for installation of energy conservation indoor and outdoor lighting for the Concrete Community/Senior Center, to be received and opened Monday, July 24, 1989, at 1:30 p.m.

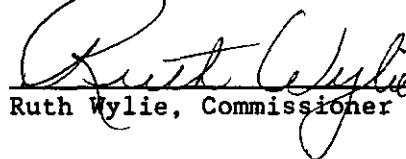
ADJOURNMENT

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

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



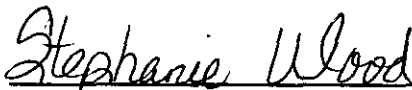
Dave Rohrer, Chairman



Ruth Wylie, Commissioner

W. W. Vaux, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wood, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners