

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

Tuesday, August 21, 1990

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| 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. | Board's Tour of W.S.U. Northwestern Washington Research and Extension Unit, 1468 Memorial Highway, Mount Vernon. |
| 1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. | <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Bid Opening - One New Latest Model Motor Grader.2) Bid Opening - One New Valveless Drifter Rock Drill.3) Miscellaneous. |
| 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. | Hearing Examiner Referral: Howard Bryson Agricultural Variance #V-90-014. |
| 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. | Department of Planning and Community Development - Scott Kirkpatrick, Director:

<ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Discussion - Growth Management Act.2) Sphere of Influence Agreements - Review of Second Draft of Resolution.3) Staffing Update.4) Enforcement Update.5) Miscellaneous |
| 3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. | Public Comment Period. |

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 21, 1990, with Commissioners Ruth Wylie and W. W. Vaux present. Commissioner Rohrer's absence was excused.

BOARD'S TOUR OF W.S.U. NORTHWESTERN WASHINGTON RESEARCH AND EXTENSION UNIT, 1468 MEMORIAL HIGHWAY, MOUNT VERNON.

The Board, acting on an invitation, toured W.S.U.'s Northwestern Washington Research and Extension Unit on Memorial Highway in Mount Vernon.

BID OPENING - ONE NEW LATEST MODEL MOTOR GRADER.

Chairman Wylie waived the reading of the Notice of Call for Bids, as published in The Skagit Argus on August 7 and 14, 1990.

The following bids were received and opened:

- 1) McDonald Industries, Inc.
22431 83rd Ave. South
Kent, WA 98032

1990 Champion Model 710A
Total Bid: \$84,588.25

- 2) Smith Tractor & Equipment Co.
19808 West Valley Hwy.
Kent, WA 98032

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1990 John Deere Model 670B
Total Bid: \$78,636.25

The bids will be reviewed by the Public Works Department. They will return at a later date with a recommendation for award.

BID OPENING - ONE NEW VALVELESS DRIFTER ROCK DRILL.

Chairman Wylie waived the reading of the Notice of Call for Bids, as published in The Skagit Argus on August 7 and 14, 1990.

The following bids were received and opened:

- 1) Great Northern Equipment
1675 W. Appleway
Coeur d'Alene, ID

Gardner-Denver PR55
Total Cost: \$10,773.17

The bid will be reviewed by the Public Works Department. They will return at a later date with a recommendation for award.

HEARING EXAMINER REFERRAL: HOWARD BRYSON AGRICULTURAL VARIANCE #V-90-014.

Grace Roeder, Associate Planner, provided an assessors map and staff photographs of the Bryson property, which is a 3.1 acre parcel, zoned agriculture, at 378 Upper Samish Road in Sedro Woolley. Mr. Bryson, who suffers from a physical handicap he received while in the military service, wishes to divide his parcel into two parcels, each approximately 1.5 acres in size. His son would live on one parcel with the existing home, and a second residence would be built for Mr. Bryson that would better suit his ability to function with his handicap. He can no longer live in his present home, and a temporary mobile home would not serve his needs at all. Ms. Roeder stated that the Hearing Examiner has recommended approval of the variance request with the condition that Mr. Bryson obtain a short plat for the division of the property prior to occupying the new residence.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to approve the variance request #V-90-014 of Howard Bryson, adopting the recommendation of the Hearing Examiner, with conditions set forth by the Hearing Examiner. Chairman Wylie seconded the motion, which carried and was so ordered. (Resolution #12611)

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - SCOTTKIRKPATRICK, DIRECTOR:

- 1) Discussion - Growth Management Act.

Mr. Kirkpatrick reviewed the status of the efforts to implement the regulations set forth in the Growth Management Act. He stated that a meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, August 29, 1990, with representatives of the Department of Community Development to discuss how the Growth Management Act will be implemented on a State level, and how that implementation will effect Skagit County.

Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the latest news regarding funds that will be provided to counties for implementation of the Act is that Skagit County will receive \$180,000 to be divided between the incorporated

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cities and the county. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the Planning Directors of the various cities have been meeting to discuss how those funds should be used. They have discussed using the money primarily where it relates to inventorying and setting urban standards, wetlands issues, and impact fees and voluntary commitments analyses.

Mr. Kirkpatrick indicated that by the end of September, the city councils will have addressed the resolution reaffirming their Sphere of Influence Agreements, which are required to be updated under the Growth Management Act.

At the last meeting with the city planners, the group discussed the role of cities and the County in regional transportation planning and RTPO's (Regional Transportation Planning Organization), a body created by the Growth Management Act to coordinate intra and inter-county transportation planning. The group agreed that the County public works and planning departments should coordinate the effort.

Mr. Kirkpatrick discussed with the Board the relationship of the RTPO findings to the County's 6-year road program. Commissioner Vaux pointed out that three groups are presently involved in the adoption of the annual update to the 6-year Road Program; the Public Works Department, Board of Commissioners and the public. What role would the RTPO play? Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that, in conjunction with the yearly adoption, the cities, as well as entities involved in transportation planning such as the Port, would provide reports on future developments and annexations that will be of benefit when considering the yearly update. This will benefit both the cities and the county. He gave the example that the County may be considering improvements to an area a city reports annexation interest in. The city could then be asked to participate in improvements. Or a city may make road improvements which will allow the County to collect impact fees where they would not have been able to before the improvements.

Commissioner Vaux excused himself at this time to attend another meeting.

2) Sphere of Influence Agreements - Review of Second Draft of Resolution.

Mr. Kirkpatrick provided a copy of the resolution reaffirming the Sphere of Influence Agreements presently held with each city in Skagit County, which is presently being considered by each city council in the incorporated cities of Skagit County. He explained the changes, stating that the resolution gives directions for Planning Department staff to negotiate Sphere of Influence Agreements with each of the cities, but meanwhile, adopts the existing Sphere of Influence Agreements to act until this is accomplished. The City Planners have been asked to act on the resolution, and will be remitting their executed copies to the Board as they are signed.

Carol Ehlers, a Planning Commission member, asked Mr. Kirkpatrick how he planned to solicit citizen involvement.

Ian Munce, City of Anacortes Planning Director, answered for Mr. Kirkpatrick. He stated that the City of Anacortes plans to use the funds they receive for implementation of the Act for studies, which will involve citizen participation. He said that he plans to hold public hearings after he has some data from the studies.

Ms. Ehlers maintained that public comment should not be solicited after issues are already decided. She stated that a number of groups wish to be consulted or at least advised from the beginning of the process.

A lengthy discussion ensued between Ms. Ehlers and Mr. Kirkpatrick.

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In his closing remarks, Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that the new Sphere of Influence Agreements, when they have been negotiated, will come to the Board as recommendations of the Planning Commission.

Tom Perkins, Port Commissioner, reminded the Board not to leave the Port out in their growth management efforts.

3) Staffing Update.

Mr. Kirkpatrick had nothing new to report at this time.

4) Enforcement Update.

Mr. Kirkpatrick had no report at this time.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

Don Bockelman, a Day Creek citizen, discussed with Chairman Wylie and Mark Spahr, Public Works Department Director, a test he had seen in the Health Department from Clemson University. Clemson is under contract with Skagit County to perform environmental testing around the incinerator. The report, according to Mr. Bockelman, showed high levels of OCDD and OCDF (dioxin and sulfurin), which is "unexplained, but is being investigated". Mr. Bockelman stated that this report is dated March of 1990.


Mr. Spahr promised to research the matter and return to Mr. Bockelman with answers to his questions.

ADJOURNMENT:

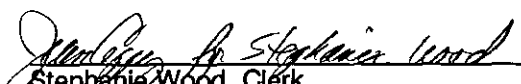
Chairman Wylie adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON


Ruth Wylie, Chairman

W. W. Vaux, Commissioner

Dave Rohrer, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Stephanie Wood, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners