

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

Monday, November 19, 1990

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Update - Flooding Conditions.

CONSENT AGENDA.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Executive Session - Personnel, Litigation, Land Acquisition.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, November 19, 1990, with Commissioners Ruth Wylie, W. W. Vaux and Dave Rohrer present.

UPDATE - FLOODING CONDITIONS.

Mary Margaret Haugen, State Representative; Bob Scofield, Skagit County Hearing Examiner and FEMA reservist; Mike Woodmansee, Budget/Finance Director; Jerry McInturff, Skagit County Auditor; and Judy Menish, Skagit County Treasurer were present for the discussion.

Bob Scofield, FEMA reservist, stated that the State Department of Community Development's Emergency Management team is gathering today to begin damage assessment to public facilities which will later be submitted to the Governor. The team that will assess private damage began its work on Friday, according to Jerry McInturff. These teams include representatives from the County's Emergency Management Department.

Mr. Woodmansee stated that FEMA representatives accepted private individuals' damage reports through Saturday; however, allowed Fir Island residents an extension on their reporting. These reports will be helpful in locating residences that require flood damage assessment by the DCD teams.

Mr. Scofield explained that special grants and low interest loans to repair flood damage will be in part based on the individuals' ability to pay for repairs. This factor will be important in determinations made at the disaster assistance centers that will be set up by FEMA if the President declares a disaster in Skagit County.

Mr. Scofield stated that it is being suggested at a number of informal gatherings of disaster coordinators that the relocation of the Town of Hamilton be discussed. This would require the condemnation of the land on which the town is currently located by the Hamilton Town Council. Mr. Scofield stated that FEMA may be convinced to provide financial aid for the relocation. Currently only those flooding victims who have flood insurance and have greater than 50% damage to their homes are eligible for a buy out of their holdings by the FEMA. Mr. Scofield stated that it is impossible to determine in what ways financial aid can be provided to those Hamilton residents without flood insurance. He stated that each case will be judged on an individual basis.

Mr. McInturff reminded the Board that other agencies and groups have loans or grants available to individual disaster victims.

Mr. Woodmansee reiterated that there are County personnel serving on the DCD assessment teams. He stated that the immediate concern of the Public Works Department at this time is the potential for another flooding disaster occurring over the coming weekend. Weather services are predicting a period of cold and snow down to low elevations, followed by another warming trend, winds and rain, which would hit Skagit County on Friday or Saturday, causing the potential for another flooding disaster.

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Mr. Woodmansee also reported that a construction company engaged by Diking District #22 (Wilder Construction), which was working under contract to restore the sea dike near Fir Island, was prevented from beginning work on the sea dike early this morning by a representative from an unidentified State agency. Mr. Woodmansee stated that the Public Works Department is currently working to discover who halted the restoration, and how the situation can be remedied to allow Wilder Construction to proceed with the work.

Chairman Wylie reported that the dike breach had been reduced to three feet early this morning, and that the rest of the dike appears to be holding at present.

Mr. Woodmansee reported that Bob Taylor, the County's Administrative Officer, will be meeting with Public Works Department staff to make a decision on whether to go back on emergency staffing schedules in preparation for the predicted flooding conditions during the coming weekend. Mr. Woodmansee felt that the immediate actions of the County should be the shoring up of damaged and crucial dikes in preparation for more flooding.

The Board discussed with Representative Haugen and Mr. McInturff the possibility of dredging Skagit Bay for material to be used to repair the sea dike.

CONSENT AGENDA.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to approve the consent agenda for November 19, 1990, as submitted. Commissioner Rohrer seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

* Petitions for Property Tax Refunds:

1. Donald Massey, 316 Hawthorne St., Sedro Woolley, WA 98284, in the amount of \$19.94, due to a senior citizen exemption. (013790)
2. J.L. Parker, 1209 S. 10th, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, in the amount of \$1,678.83, due to a senior citizen exemption. (013890)
3. Patricia Ervin, 207 S. 9th St., Mount Vernon, WA 98273, in the amount of \$889.97, due to a senior citizen exemption. (013990)
4. William C. Smith, 1514 S. 11th, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, in the amount of \$1177.38, due to a senior citizen exemption. (014090)

* Health Department:

5. Guest speaker contract with Jane Conquest for the presentation "Personal Perspectives on HIV/AIDS, given on November 14, 1990. Fee for presentation: \$25. (Contract #00748)

* Out-of-State Travel Requests:

6. Rick Duhaime, Sheriff's Office, to travel to Kingma, Arizona, for the purpose of extraditing a prisoner, on November 14-15, 1990. Cost of travel: \$200.
7. Harry Hemphill, Sheriff's Office, to travel to Kingma, Arizona, for the purpose of extraditing a prisoner, on November 14-15, 1990. Cost of travel: \$400.

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* Commissioners' Office:

8. Record of the Proceedings from November 13, 1990.
9. Record of the Proceedings from November 14, 1990.
10. Record of the Proceedings from November 15, 1990.

* Parks and Recreation Department:

11. Addendum to professional services contract with Macaulay and Associates, Ltd., to add to the Northern State Hospital property appraisal considerations for the value of the timber, aesthetic value, increased wetlands, and the reduction of land mass from 800 acres to 726 acres, as stated by DNR. Compensation will be given at \$2,000, and the appraisal shall be completed by November 16, 1990. (Contract #00749)
12. Rafters Agreement with Downstream River Runners for a rafting permit for the season from October 1, 1990, to September 30, 1991. Performance deposit: \$100. Permit fee of \$1.00 per person existing Skagit River to County property. Insurance required. (Contract #00750)
13. Rafters Agreement with Wildwater River Tours for a rafting permit for the season from October 1, 1990, to September 30, 1991. Performance deposit: \$100. Permit fee of \$1.00 per person existing Skagit River to County property. Insurance required. (Contract #00751)

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

- A. 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, November 19, 1990, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

- 1) Warrants #61256 through #61967 (Vouchers #012572 through #013393) in the amount of \$549,293.26. Transmittal No. C-51-90.
 - 2) Manual Warrant #MW036-61255 in the amount of \$10,000. Transmittal No. R50-90.
 - 3) Warrants #81017 through #81075 (Vouchers #81017 through #81075) in the amount of \$14,995.00. Transmittal No. P21-90.
 - 4) Warrants #7770 through #7823 (Vouchers #PDRAWNOV477 through PDRAWNOV530) in the amount of \$20,002.04. Transmittal No. P24-90.
- B. In accordance with action previously taken, the Board approved for signature the resolution waiving tipping fees at the Inman Landfill for flood damaged household debris. (Resolution #12722)
- C. Commissioner Vaux motioned to adopt the resolution declaring to Governor Gardner the estimated damages caused by the November 9 flood, and requesting local assistance. Chairman Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution #12723)
- D. Bob Taylor, Administrative Officer, reported that Sheriff Gary Frazier is requesting an amendment to the County's Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual which would allow provisional employees in

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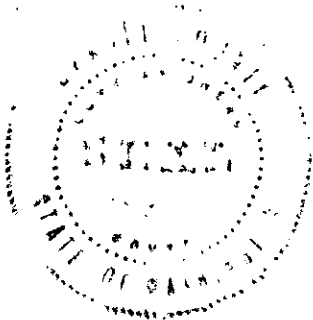
the Sheriff's Office to receive holiday premium pay when they have to work on a holiday. Mr. Taylor stated that he knows of no other temporary County employees who do not receive premium pay for work on holidays, and that this would ease the conflict between the provisional and full time employees in the Sheriff's Office over holiday pay.

The Board concurred with Mr. Taylor's suggestion, and Commissioner Vaux motioned to allow premium holiday pay for probationary Sheriff's Office employees who are scheduled to work on holidays, the policy to be effective September 1, 1990. Chairman Wylie seconded the motion, which carried and was so ordered.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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