

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

Thursday, January 3, 1991

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Public Hearing - Amendment to Skagit County Code Chapter 2.12
Regarding the District Court Redistricting Plan.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

3:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Public Comment Period.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, January 3, 1991, with Commissioners W. W. Vaux, Robby Robinson, and Ruth Wylie present.

PUBLIC HEARING - AMENDMENT TO SKAGIT COUNTY CODE CHAPTER 2.12 REGARDING THE DISTRICT COURT REDISTRICTING PLAN.

Chairman Vaux waived the reading of the notice of public hearing, as published in The Skagit Argus on December 11, 1990.

Judge Eugene Anderson explained that the proposed amendment accomplishes three goals. It changes the name of the County court from Justice Court to District Court, a name change which occurred 5 to 6 years ago; it changes the Code to reflect the consolidation of court services at County facilities which has been occurring over the past 5 years; and it formally establishes the position of a full time court commissioner, which was granted this year by the Board. Judge Anderson explained that the courts will also be asking for up to two part time court commissioners, one of which will be paid for by the State through their alcohol recommitment program.

Judge Anderson explained that the new full time court commissioner will begin his first trial today. He has an office in the Mount Vernon Municipal Building, through a cooperative agreement with the City of Mount Vernon, and he travels throughout the county to hear cases.

Seeing no further public comment, Commissioner Wylie motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Commissioner Wylie then motioned to adopt the ordinance amending Chapter 2.12 of the Skagit County Code relating to the District Court Redistricting Plan, as explained by Judge Anderson. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Ordinance #12782)

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

A. Dave Brookings, Flood Control Engineer, explained that an Army Corps of Engineers PL-99 project is due to begin on Cockerham Island near the Town of Hamilton before the end of this month. The Corps has submitted three repair options for the County's consideration. PL-99 projects are reimbursed at 80%. The levee on Cockerham Island, though not within a flood control district, has been maintained at a five year level of protection over many years, which means that it requires frequent repair. The population of Cockerham Island is insufficient to support a flood control district, so the County and the Corps have in the past shared the cost of levee construction. Mr. Brookings explained the three options as follows:

- 1) Reconstruct the levee to pre-flood condition. County share would be \$38,600. Total project cost would be \$193,000.

- 2) Reconstruct the levee, adding an additional two feet of rip rap on the landward side. County share would be \$38,600 plus \$60,000 for the additional improvements. Total project cost would be \$253,000.
- 3) Reconstruct the levee, raising it an additional two feet to give 10 year flood protection. County share would be \$38,600 plus \$32,000 for additional improvements. Total project cost would be \$225,000.

Mr. Brookings indicated that the flood control department prefers options #3, although the County could develop whatever repair scenario it feels would best serve the community. Mr. Brookings stated that he had considered a scenario in which the Corps would build the levee up to its pre-flood level, making it wide enough for the County to add an additional two feet at a later date. Mr. Brookings indicated that an answer for the Corps is needed within the next two weeks.

Commissioner Wylie asked what the expense would be for the County to add the additional two feet of levee. Mr. Brookings felt it would be cheaper for the Corps to add the two feet of levee, as the County would have to go through a bid process and hire an independent contractor.

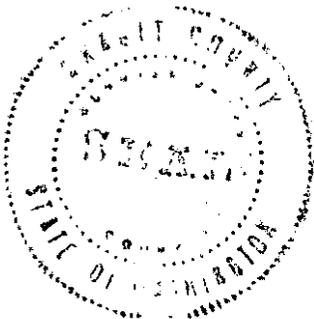
Chairman Vaux directed that the Board would tour the Cockerham Island levee system on Friday, January 11, 1991, beginning at 8:00 a.m.

- B. Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution awarding a bid for the purchase of four new small station wagons to Blade Chevrolet, for four new 1991 Chevrolet Cavalier station wagons at the bid prices of \$9,472.90, \$9,819.05, \$9,953.43, and \$9,953.43 respectively. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution #12783)

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



W. W. Vaux, Chairman

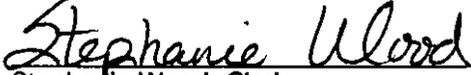


Robby Robinson, Commissioner



Ruth Wylie, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wood, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners

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