

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

Tuesday, February 19, 1991

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Department of Planning and Community Development - Scott Kirkpatrick,
Director:

- 1) Resolution for Skagit County's Participation in RTPO.
- 2) School Impact Fee Ordinance Discussion.
- 3) Enforcement Report Update.
- 4) Miscellaneous.

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Mark Spahr, Director:

- 1) Public Hearing - Vacation of Abandoned Right-of-Way - South Shore Road #1900.
- 2) Discussion - Robinson Road / River Improvement.
- 3) Discussion - Bay Hill Development Drainage Agreement - Peterson Road.
- 4) Discussion - Initiation of a Copy Fee Schedule for Public Works Department.
- 5) Resolution - Road Name Clarification for County Road (Old 99 South aka Mount Vernon South).
- 6) Miscellaneous.

CONSENT AGENDA.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. State Auditor Entrance Conference.

2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Recognition of Flooding Disaster Recovery Support Group - Restore.

2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Discussion - Guemes Island Groundwater.

3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Approval - Fair Grant Application for Parks and Recreation Department.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 19, 1991, with Commissioners W. W. Vaux, and Robby Robinson present. Commissioner Wylie's absence was excused.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - Scott Kirkpatrick, Director

- 1) Resolution for Skagit County's Participation in RTPO.

Mr. Kirkpatrick presented a resolution to the Board regarding Skagit County's participation in the Skagit-Island Counties Regional Transportation Planning Organization. The resolution was presented to be replace a previous resolution due a change in wording.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve for signature a resolution relative to participation by Skagit County in the Skagit-Island Counties Regional Transportation Planning Organization. The resolution directs the Public Works and Planning and Community Development staff to develop a work program and make

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recommendations by July 1, 1991 for carrying out the County's responsibilities under the RTPO, the Growth Management Act, and County policy. Commissioner Vaux seconded the motion, which was carried. (Resolution # 12850)

2) School Impact Fee Ordinance Discussion

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that he has contacted the King County Council and asked for a copy of their impact fee ordinance to review. The purpose of having this on the agenda was to start the process, at least on the County's side, to look at what is required for an impact fee ordinance. He advised that he had also invited representatives of the area school districts to take part in discussion. He advised that the Superintendent of Schools for LaConner informed him that the school districts have formed a committee and have reviewed the King County ordinance as well as others.

Mr. Kirkpatrick explained that the authority for impact fees is contained in the Growth Management Act. The County has the responsibility to ensure that all public jurisdictions within the County that have capital budgets must prepare capital improvement and capital facility plans to add to the Comprehensive Plan update. The purpose is to implement a concept called "concurrency". The importance there is the accounting system with staff management in concurrence with school districts. To date this has not occurred. The standards are not in our comprehensive plan for an impact fee program. The County will be looking at school districts to create those standards for each district wanting to participate in the impact fee program. Then the County would look to amend the comprehensive plan for two policies. If local municipalities want to participate that municipality would also have to adopt an ordinance implementing an impact fee program.

Mr. Kirkpatrick further explained that the County would not need to adopt the same Comprehensive Plan as the school districts, but would need to adopt the same standards as the school districts in the County Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner Vaux asked for comments from the school district representatives

Mike Jarboe, Superintendent, Concrete School District, explained that they are formed according to a set formula which uses several different mechanisms to determine how much square footage can be built per child and how much is required for minimum standards. One of those is called the Beck Index. Another requirement in the state statute is a minimum square footage required for different kinds of standards. The state will fund on the basis of that index. That is a uniform way that all school districts are held accountable across the state. It is one way to achieve some cost per student.

Mr. Kirkpatrick elaborated on the issues that will have to be addressed in terms of implementing an ordinance at the County level. He advised that he has circulated this information to the city planners and asked them to look it over to see if they see anything that would be objectionable to them in terms of city government.

Paul Chaplik, Superintendent, Burlington School District, advised that the school districts are very interesting in the whole issue of mitigation and have observed some of their neighbors who have already addressed this issue. They would like to work in conjunction with the County somehow. The school superintendents have met and looked at the ordinances. Nothing has been developed at this time but they are glad to see that it is being addressed.

Mr. Kirkpatrick asked if there was a timeline. Mr. Jarboe advised that the Superintendent of Public Instruction's office has a model they use. Most school districts would have to go back to the drawing

board and put together that component of their long range plan.

There was some discussion regarding the need for data to put together this component. Mr. Chaplik said there are numbers available and all they have to do is put it into some kind of format. Mr. Kirkpatrick agreed that that element was missing and that information is needed. It will have to be done in increments.

Commissioner Vaux advised that in his opinion the income outlook from timber for education is not good. He added that it would seem to him that there is a need to communicate and meet with the superintendents and their representatives on this and to figure out ways of funding them because the traditional ways are evaporating. That income must be replaced somehow.

Louis Requa of Sedro Woolley made some comments. He expressed some concern about the issue of getting a mitigating fee on a per lot basis. He felt there should be a surcharge on every type of development that exists. Income would be greater with a lesser impact on the per lot situation.

Jon Aarstad, Director, Parks and Recreation, stated that one of the things he sees as a problem is the growing burden placed on school districts. He suggested more coordination between the schools and Parks and Recreation to develop community facilities that will go beyond the educational aspect.

Mr. Kirkpatrick agreed that this was a good idea as the Growth Management Act is trying to more efficiently see the best use of public money.

Mr. Chaplik commented that the whole mitigation area is a pretty new one and of great interest to them. One of the reasons they are here is to see how they can be of assistance.

Commissioner Vaux suggested the formation of a committee. Commissioner Robinson suggested getting input from builders and developers.

Mr. Kirkpatrick will contact the individual from King County who helped design this ordinance.

Commissioner Vaux requested that after he talks with them to report back to the Board and then proceed with the process.

3) Enforcement Report Update.

Mr. Kirkpatrick provided a copy of the Enforcement Report Update to the Board.

4) Miscellaneous

- A. Mr. Kirkpatrick presented a resolution for the Board's signature regarding the establishment of the effective date of Skagit County's Right-to-Farm Ordinance. He stated he wishes to bring before the Board ordinances that have an effective date. He further proposed that the format be changed in the introduction of ordinances to the Board so that is taken care of and there isn't any confusion. Also, Mr. Kirkpatrick proposed that the Planning Department publish the ordinance in the newspaper of record so the whole text is there. He stated he had no idea of the financial impact but would like to pursue this to see if it is feasible.

Commissioner Vaux said he would like to see this limited to the publication of ordinances only, not resolutions.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve for signature a resolution for the establishment of an *effective date of Skagit County's Right to Farm Ordinance which was adopted on January 28, 1991.* The Board extends the effective date of Ordinance No. 12815 to March 1, 1991. Commissioner Vaux seconded the motion, which was carried. (Resolution # 12851)

- B. Mr. Kirkpatrick distributed to the Board for their information a copy of the Skagit County Department of Planning and Community Develop Responsibilities chart.
- C. Commissioner Vaux motioned to approve for signature applications for owner extension or sewer service agreement pursuant to Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between Skagit County and Whatcom County Water District No. 12 for Daniel and Cynthia Lint, Randal Johnson, Raymond Pinney and James Ross. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which was carried.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - MARK SPAHR, DIRECTOR:

1) Public Hearing - Vacation of Abandoned Right-of-Way - South Shore Road #1900.

Mr. Spahr located a portion of South Shore Road fronting the Passarelli, Palmer, Monahan, Schorr, and Anderson properties on Guemes Island. He explained that the public hearing has been scheduled in response to a petition from the adjacent property owners to vacate the abandoned 40 foot right-of-way. The road is not an access to water, and in fact another portion was vacated several years ago. The Public Works Department staff recommends vacation of the road, as there is no foreseeable use for the property.

Mr. Spahr explained that a letter was received from the real estate division of Puget Power and Light Company, requesting that the County, as part of the vacation proceedings, compel the right-of-way purchasers to grant utility easements to Puget Power for their existing power poles and lines. Mr. Spahr speculated that telephone and cable lines also run on the Puget Power poles. Mr. Spahr recommended that appropriate language be added to the Final Order of Vacation acknowledging Puget Power's request.

Referring to the Engineer's Report that had been submitted to the Board, Chairman Vaux pointed out that \$0.05 per square foot appears to be too low.

The audience was then given an opportunity to comment.

Mr. Anderson requested that the County review their measurements, as he did not feel they were accurate.

Joan Palmer, one of the proponents, stated that she has serious reservations about the continued presence of Puget Power utility poles along this abandoned roadway. She stated that the sloughing of the bluff and poor condition of the access makes it dangerous for utility trucks to access power poles at this location. She indicated that she would not be interested in purchasing the right-of-way if the Puget Power poles are allowed to remain, and also indicated that she felt she should not have to pay for the abandoned roadway.

Bill Greiss of Puget Power stated that it is his intent to protect the rights Puget Power obtained from Skagit County through their utility franchise. He stated that when it is time to replace the power lines and poles, consideration will certainly be given to relocating to the upper road.

The continued erosion of the right-of-way was discussed. Mr. Spahr stated that the Public Works Department intends to abandon all of South Shore Road eventually and relocate it to a safer area.

At this point, Chairman Vaux motioned to continue the public hearing to Monday, February 25, 1991, at

10:00 a.m. He directed the Public Works Department to be prepared at that time to supply rationale, which they should obtain from the Assessor's Office, for the square footage price that has been affixed to the property.

Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which carried and was so ordered.

2) Discussion - Robinson Road/River Improvement.

Mr. Spahr began the discussion by explaining that a Disaster Summary Report from FEMA was prepared at a time when water was present over Robinson Road, and therefore calculates the river to be much closer than it actually is when within its banks. The DSR allots \$231,000 to Skagit County to raise the surface of the roadway and armor the roadway banks with rip rap.

Mr. Spahr explained that in light of the recognized need to contain the river within its banks to prevent it from establishing a new channel through private property, the Public Works Department has devised an alternative project which would require a change in the use of the DSR funds. This change would result in the County receiving a 10% reduction in the originally allotted amount, and would eliminate the County's eligibility for FEMA repair funds for Robinson Road at any future date.

Mr. Spahr outlined the alternative plan. He stated that the the staff recommends that the Robinson Road be reconstructed and raised to just below the elevation of the railroad grade and armored on both sides. A temporary access road would be built across the Marzano property and along an old railroad grade out to the site of the scour, where, using rip rap, the 1500 foot scour would be bridged and a rock berm constructed. This would keep the river within its banks up to the point of flood stage. It would also re-establish the bank to pre-flood conditions, therefore staff does not believe it would inundate upstream parcels. The cost for this plan would be approximately \$184,000. The FEMA share of the project would be 75%, or \$138,000. The State would participate at 12.5%, or \$23,000, and the County would be obligated to pay 12.5% or \$23,000.

Mr. Spahr discussed alternate designs for the berm, stating that an increase of two to three times the estimated costs would be realized if the shape of the berm is changed. Mr. Spahr stated that as soon as easements are obtained, work can begin.

Charlie Tewalt, Roads Superintendent, felt that the work could be completed in about three weeks. He said that as soon as the permits are obtained, a log jam that exists downstream from the scour can be removed.

At this point, Chairman Vaux introduced a petition containing 467 signatures from residents asking for repair of the bank and road located at Robinson Road.

Judy Hanson, an area resident, asked questions regarding the extent of the rip rap, which were answered by Mr. Tewalt. She felt the County should wait for better weather to begin the project, being of the opinion that money could be saved.

Kenny Coontz suggested that the County use the railroad right-of-way instead of purchasing an easement from local property owners. He also stated that more petitions are due March 1.

Mr. Tewalt stated that Burlington Northern Railroad has been approached regarding their right-of-way, and they do not wish to have their tracks removed. Overall, it is less expensive to purchase an easement through the Marzano property.

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Ted Anderson requested a cost analysis of the road repair.

Judy Hanson wanted to know why the road should be shored up if the berm will flood proof the road from the front.

Chairman Vaux stated that the project will not completely protect the road, therefore, the added protection is necessary.

Dan Pflueger stated that the boat launch was rip rapped several years ago, which caused the river to "eat a hole on the other side", proving that rip rapping will not necessarily make the road safe.

Herb Hanson stated that it is better to spend more money on the river bank repair than to devote a portion of the money to the road repair.

Judy Hanson made additional comments.

Mr. Tewalt stated that the County is unable to do more extensive construction along the river because of the rules of the Wild and Scenic Rivers Act under which the Skagit falls. He stated that it is necessary to armor the Robinson Road to protect the rest of the Minkler area in the event the berm is overtopped.

Chairman Vaux wanted the berming done first so that if the funds run out, it will be during the road reconstruction.

Commissioner Robinson felt that the road armoring is also important to flood defense of the Utopia area.

Ted Anderson pointed out that the road will need some repair to allow truck access to the scour.

At this point, Commissioner Robinson motioned to proceed with the Robinson Road and Skagit River Bank Protection Project, as outlined by the Public Works Department. Chairman Vaux seconded the motion, but asked for a cost estimate for the road repair project.

2) Discussion - Bay Hill Development Drainage Agreement - Peterson Road.

Rich Medved, Assistant Public Works Department Administrator, referenced the Bay Hill development off of Peterson Road near the Avon Allen Road. He stated that there has been a long-time drainage problem on Peterson Road, which has been intensified by the construction of the Bay Hill development. Mr. Medved stated that Public Works Department staff, in reviewing the problem, used a system of cameras to film the drainage within the ditches on the south side of Peterson Road, east of and up to the development. The survey found the first 1200 to 1400 feet of drainage pipe to be in good repair; however, the final 200 feet before the development are in need of repair.

Mr. Medved stated that a mitigation plan is being worked out to include the developers of Bay Hill. The agreement will compel the developer to participate in the amount of 24% of the project. This percentage is based on the total amount of land owned by the developer in the established drainage basin. Mitigation steps will include the improvement of 1200 lineal feet of drainage pipe, which will replace the 200 feet of inadequate pipe, plus extend the pipe up to the full frontage of the Bay Hill development.

Mr. Spahr explained that the existing pipe can handle the drainage, the camera review indicates, but the replacement of the 200 foot "choke point" is necessary to make the rest of the system work. A total of \$120,000 is estimated for engineering and construction work, of which the County's share will be \$91,000.

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Jess Knutzen stated that the Bay Hill drainage floods his farm below. He favored the piping of the water, but questioned the pipe size. He provided photographs.

Lloyd Cooley was also concerned that the pipe size is inadequate.

Mr. Spahr stated that the developer's engineer provided the computations on the pipe size, which were verified by Public Works staff. He stated that the eastern portion of the pipe has a 23-25 cubic feet per second capacity, while the 200 feet of pipe that will be replaced has only 2-3 cfs. The new system will accommodate a 50 year storm.

Roger Knutzen stated that the Classic Ridge development is also contributing to the drainage problem, and insinuated that it was because of improper design. He stated that Don Nelson, Flood Control Engineer, had indicated this fact to him.

Tom Perry, the developer, clarified the pipe sizes.

Laura Wooster suggested that the retention pond system seems to drain too fast, and could be slowed down.

Mr. Perry stated that the purpose of the ponds is to hold back water and meter it out to outflow systems.

Mr. Spahr stated that within the next two weeks, staff will provide a revised annual road program which will include 76% participation of the County in this drainage improvement. He stated that if the basic content of the agreement with the developer is agreeable, then the Public Works Department can sign off on the preliminary plat.

Chairman Vaux instructed staff to find out where the water from Classic Ridge goes.

Stanley Howard asked if it has been determined that all of the drainage from Bay Hill will go to the Peterson Road drainage system, or if half will go to the golf course.

Mr. Perry indicated that all drainage would go through the Peterson Road system.

Lloyd Cooley made a statement claiming personal property destruction, and Chairman Vaux instructed him to turn in a claim for damages if he felt it was necessary.

Mr. Medved then reviewed the agreement point by point:

- 1) Sturdy Engineering to design 3700 foot drainage system to handle 25 and 50 year storm events.
- 2) Developer to provide cost estimate for improvements.
- 3) Developer to provide a bond guaranteeing 24% participation in the improvements.
- 4) Sign a "no protest" letter for future sub-flood control districts.
- 5) If a sub-flood control district is formed, the developer will be reimbursed for the advanced capital.

Discussion ensued on condition #5. Chairman Vaux pointed out that if the sub-flood control district were to encompass a larger area than the drainage basin, the 24% paid by the developer would not be enough.

There was argument regarding whether Bay Hill is already a part of Drainage District #19. A map supplied by the Flood Control Division indicated that it was not.

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Chairman Vaux then motioned to approve the Memorandum of Agreement with the Bay Hill developers, as outlined by Mr. Medved. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which carried and was so ordered.

4) Discussion - Initiation of a Copy Fee Schedule for Public Works Department.

Mr. Medved reported that he has received a complaint from an engineering firm that was forced to wait while staff used the photocopying equipment in the Public Works Department. This complaint pointed up the fact that a large amount of copying is being done by the Department for the public. Other departments also provide copying services; however, charge the public for them. Mr. Medved reviewed a proposed fee schedule for records reproduction by the Public Works Department.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve this new fee schedule for the Public Works Department, with Chairman Vaux seconding. The motion carried and was so ordered.

5) Resolution - Road Name Clarification for County Road (Old 99 South aka Mount Vernon South).

Mr. Spahr stated that the County has received a petition requesting a clarification of a road name. He stated that Old 99 South Road has traditionally been recorded under two different names in the County road log. In addition to Old 99 South Road, it is also recorded as Mount Vernon South Road. The petition asks that the road be officially named Old 99 South Road.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to adopt the resolution clarifying the name of the Old 99 South Road #7021. Chairman Vaux seconded the motion, which carried and was so ordered. (Resolution # 12852)

Miscellaneous.

- A. Mr. Spahr stated that a gravel stockpile owned by the Department of Natural Resources has been made available to the County at \$2.50 per cubic yard, a significant savings over regular price, with the only condition being that it be moved from its location in Marblemount by May 1, 1991. Mr. Spahr stated that the County does have places to store it.

The Board approved for signature DNR Contract #32-051728 for the removal of crushed rock. (Contract #00852)

- B. Louie Parker, Clerk/Treasurer for the Town of Lyman, had complaints regarding the illegal development activities on Pipeline Road north of the Town of Lyman.

CONSENT AGENDA.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to adopt the Consent Agenda of February 19, 1991, as submitted. Chairman Vaux seconded the motion, which carried and was so ordered.

* Health Department:

1. Contract Amendment #1620-00741 (1) with DSHS - numerous additions and deletions of dollars in the Consolidated Contract with the State Department of Health. Increases the contract by \$11,965.00. The new total award is \$168,239.00. (Contract #00772)

* Public Defender's Office:

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2. Professional Services Contract with Dr. R. Wheeler of Lynnwood, Washington, who will evaluate public defender clients and provide expert testimony as needed. Dr. Wheeler will receive \$125.00 per hour for court time or depositions and \$102.00 per hour for all time spent performing evaluations. The contract will run from January 1, 1991, to December 31, 1991. (Contract #00846)

* Parks and Recreation Department:

3. Professional Services Contract with Aiken Appraisal for the appraisal of property adjacent to the Clear Lake Park owned by Tom and Linda Stakkeland to determine Fair Market Value. A total of \$200.00 will be paid for the services, and the contract shall be completed between February 1, 1991, and February 15, 1991. (Contract #00847)
4. Professional Services Contract with H and T Logging, Inc., of Arlington, Washington, to remove and sell downed and damaged timber at Young's Park, as well as clean up of the area, with proceeds of the sale of timber being split between the Contractor and the County to compensate the contractor. Contract runs from January 24, 1991, to March 31, 1991. (Contract #00848)

* Human Services Department:

5. Contract #2490-75340 between Skagit County and Pacific north Community Services, allowing the contractor to establish a fund with State Grant funds to be used for special needs of people with developmental disabilities. The fund total is \$3,500.00. Fund requests will be approved by the Developmental Disability Administrative Board, and will cover such things as outdoor work clothes, travel for parents to Children's Orthopedic Hospital, and other such things not funded through other sources. The contract term shall be from January 1, 1991, through June 30, 1991. (Contract #00849)

* Property Tax Refunds:

6. John Patterson, 4938 Heather Drive, Anacortes, WA 98221, in the amount of \$392.48, due to a senior citizen exemption. (000891)
7. James Feigley and William J. Mullins, 946 10th Avenue East, Seattle, WA 98102, in the amount of \$21.11, due to the destruction of the property affidavit. (000991)

* Out-of-State Travel Requests:

8. Jay Sheppler, Deputy Sheriff, to travel to Poulson, Montana, from February 9-10, 1991, for the purpose of conducting criminal investigations. Travel allowance: \$250.
9. George A. Smith, Deputy Sheriff, to travel to Poulson, Montana, from February 9-10, 1991, for the purpose of conducting criminal investigations. Travel allowance: \$250.
10. Dean E. Miller, Deputy Sheriff, to travel to Monmouth, Oregon, from February 18, 1991, through April 5, 1991, for the purpose of attending a Polygraph School. Travel allowance: \$250.

* Commissioners' Office:

10. Contract for professional services with Teresa Conover, to provide a 45-minute stretching and

toning class for county employees three days per week, for compensation of \$8.00 per class. The contract term is from January 1, 1991, through December 31, 1991. (Contract #00850)

11. Appointment of Randy C. Pepper to Fair Advisory Board with term beginning January 1, 1991, and ending December 31, 1994. (Contract #12753)
12. Reappointment of Jack Crawford to Fair Advisory Board with terming beginning January 1, 1991, and expiring December 31, 1994. (Contract #12754)
13. Resolution exempting Cypress Island and Sinclair Island from provisions of interim controls addressing non-issuance of building permits for structures outside of fire districts, Ordinance #12535. (Contract #12855)
12. Record of the proceedings from February 11, 1991.
13. Record of the proceedings from February 12, 1991.

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, February 19, 1991, 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 #85205 through #80261 (Vouchers #85205 through #80261) in the amount of \$14,895.00. Transmittal #PR-3-91.
 - 2) Warrants #80093 through #80225 (Vouchers #80093 through #80225) in the amount of \$181,120.05. Transmittal #R-05-91.
- B. The Board approved for signature a Centennial Clean Water Fund Grant/Loan Application for \$248,044 in 75%/25% matching funds for the creation of a Padilla Bay/Bayview Watershed Action Plan to be completed between April 1, 1992, and September 30, 1994. (Contract #00845)

STATE AUDITOR ENTRANCE CONFERENCE.

Mike Woodmansee, Budget/Finance Director, introduced the State Auditing staff assigned to audit Skagit County. Peggy Bodin, Auditor, reviewed the scope of the audit, indicating this year's focus.

RECOGNITION OF FLOODING DISASTER RECOVERY SUPPORT GROUP - RESTORE.

Chairman Vaux read a letter to the RESTORE interfaith flood recovery support group thanking them for their efforts, and presented the five ministers and pastors present with a Certificate of Commendation.

Commissioner Robinson was excused for the following items, and Commissioner Wylie was present.

DISCUSSION - GUEMES ISLAND GROUNDWATER.

Mr. Spahr reviewed the situation. He stated that the U.S. Geological Survey has offered to fund half of a \$200,000 groundwater survey to study the suitability of the groundwater on Guemes Island for public use. The Department of Ecology had offered to fund \$50,000 of the study, and the Guemes Islanders had approached the County for the additional \$50,000. Mr. Spahr was given the duty of discovering whether a sub-flood control district could be formed to offset the additional \$50,000 needed. He reported that he had discovered that a sub-flood control district would be appropriate to fund the study, as well as any mitigation projects necessary following the study.

Lorna Haycox, Environmental Health Specialist, along with an unidentified audience member, reported that it has been discovered that a recent rule allows the DOE to participate up to a full 50% of the study if a Conservation District is in place in the study area. Skagit County does have a Conservation District, which does encompass Guemes Island, therefore the funds are available from the DOE. Ms. Haycox asked the Board to sign a letter to the DOE supporting the groundwater study, and this was accomplished.

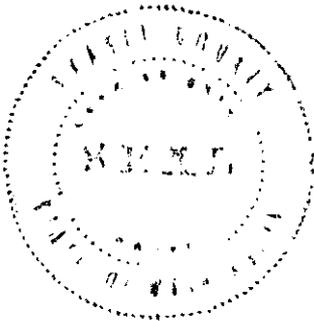
APPROVAL - FAIR GRANT APPLICATION FOR PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.

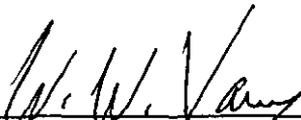
The Board approved for signature an Application for Special Assistance Grant from the Washington State Fund for Agricultural Fairs in the total amount of \$21,808.21. The County will participate by contributing \$5,305.91 in funds and \$5,598.20 in donated labor, equipment and materials during the 1991 fair season. (Contract #00851)

ADJOURNMENT:

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

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W. W. Vaux, Chairman

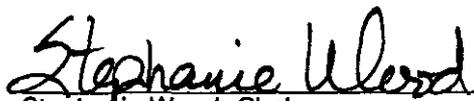


Robby Robinson, Commissioner



Ruth Wylie, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wood, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners