

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

Monday, April 1, 1991

- 8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Signature - Contract for Third-Party Investigator.
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Discussion - FEMA Funding Status - Terry Simmonds, Public Assistance Coordinator for Washington State Department of Community Development Division of Emergency Assistance.
- 10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Public Works Department - Mark Spahr, Director:
- 1) Resolution - Lifting of Emergency Resolution - Waiver of SEPA Permitting Requirements for Rock Quarry Development.
 - 2) Proclamation - Earth Rally 1991 - Help Keep Skagit County Safe and Beautiful.
 - 3) Resolution - Regarding Support for Clean-Up/Recycling Projects During Earth Rally 1991.
 - 4) Miscellaneous.
- CONSENT AGENDA.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.
- 1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. 1) Bid Award - County Legal Printing.
2) Proclamation - Sheriff's Department Recognition Day.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.
- 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Presentation - Proposed Construction to Increase Natural Gas Pipeline Capacity - Northwest Pipeline Corporation.
- 2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. 1) Discussion - Firearms Range Feasibility Study.
2) Discussion - Centennial Trail.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, April 1, 1991, with Commissioners W. W. Vaux, Robby Robinson and Ruth Wylie present.

SIGNATURE - CONTRACT FOR THIRD PARTY INVESTIGATOR.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to sign a contract with Brad E. Furlong, Attorney at Law, to provide the services of a third party investigator in the matter of the conduct of employee Charles Tewalt, County Roads Operations Superintendent, with respect to the operation of his gravel pit. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. It was agreed that Mr. Furlong would receive \$75 per hour for his services, and \$40 per hour for the services of his legal assistant. (Contract #00891)

DISCUSSION - FEMA FUNDING STATUS - TERRY SIMMONDS, PUBLIC ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR FOR WASHINGTON STATE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION OF EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE.

Mr. Simmonds was asked to speak to the Board regarding information received by Dike District #22 and relayed to the County that FEMA funds for flood damage repairs had been frozen.

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Mr. Simmonds reported that although \$54,000,000 is left in the disaster relief account of FEMA, much of it has been earmarked for individual assistance. He stated that he has now heard that some money may be released for public projects. Mr. Simmonds stated that projects which have received formal approval from his office will receive funding, although any cost over runs, although eligible for funding, cannot be met at this time and will have to be reimbursed at a later date, after Congress has appropriated more monies for public projects. He stated that he is issuing no new approvals until FEMA again has public assistance monies. Mr. Simmonds stated that projects which have not yet been approved can be done at the applicant's expense and later, when approved, the applicant can be reimbursed.

The Board discussed with Mr. Simmonds the dilemma facing Dike District #22, which has applied to FEMA for \$1.4 million to repair the sea dike on Fir Island, and does not have an approved Damage Survey Report. Mr. Simmonds persisted in stating that it will require an act of Congress to appropriate additional FEMA funds so that Dike District #22's DSR can be approved and funded.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - MARK SPAHR, DIRECTOR:

1) Resolution - Lifting of Emergency Resolution - Waiver of SEPA Permitting Requirements for Rock Quarry Development.

A proposed resolution was reviewed. The Board asked that staff refer the proposed resolution to the County's legal counselor, John Moffat, to review prior to any action.

2) Proclamation - Earth Rally 1991 - Help Keep Skagit County Safe and Beautiful.

Chairman Vaux motioned to declare April 13-28, 1991, Earth Rally, 1991, in Skagit County. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 12923)

3) Resolution - Regarding Support for Clean-Up/Recycling Projects During Earth Rally 1991.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution setting special rules and rates for disposal of litter, organic wastes, recyclables and home wastes during Earth Rally 1991. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 12924)

4) Miscellaneous.

There were no miscellaneous items from the Public Works Department.

CONSENT AGENDA.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to accept the Consent Agenda of April 1, 1991, as submitted. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

- Petitions for Property Tax Refund:

1. Leander E. Shuler, 2073 Bridgewater Road, Sedro Woolley, WA 98284, in the amount of \$169.68, due to a double assessment. (002191)

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2. William Hoagland, c/o Continental, 8th Floor Pacific Building, Seattle, WA 98104, in the amount of \$157.71, due to a senior citizen exemption. (001691)
 3. Margaret French, 515 Pacific Pl. #14, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, in the amount of \$77.86, due to a senior citizen exemption. (001791)
 4. Mildred Peterson, 2088 C Mud Lake Road, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, in the amount of \$785.35, due to a senior citizen exemption. (001891)
 5. Roy Sorvig, 1486 Jefferson St., Anacortes, WA 98221, in the amount of \$197.28, due to a senior citizen exemption. (001991)
 6. Carl Hausle, Box 155, Marblemount, WA, in the amount of \$8.33, due to a senior citizen exemption. (001591)
 7. Dorothy Eberle, 1405 10th, Anacortes, WA 98221, in the amount of \$372.06, due to a senior citizen exemption. (002391)
 8. M. Ardis Sullivan, 2725 E. Fir #64, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, in the amount of \$484.72, due to a senior citizen exemption. (002791)
- * Sheriff's Department:
9. Out-of-State Travel Request for Ken Tiscornia to travel to Sweethome, Oregon on 03/20/91 to interview a victim.
- * Superior Court:
10. Contract for Professional Services with Juan O. Garza to provide interpreting in Spanish language in court proceedings for hearings and trials for the period from January 1, 1991, through December 31, 1991. Rate of compensation will be \$20 per hour. (Contract #00892)
- * Public Works Department:
11. Resolution - Authorizing Opening of Unopened Right-of-Way off of Windy Ridge. (Resolution # 12925)
- * Commissioners' Office:
12. Contract with Knott and Zehring Consulting for consulting services pertaining to development of "911" emergency communications. Contractor is compensated at \$90 per hour for one consultant and \$120 for two consultants. Total costs shall not exceed \$30,000, and the agreement shall be valid from January 1, 1991, through December 31, 1991. (Contract #00893)
 13. Contract for Professional Services with Steve Ruhl, to provide individual and family therapy to support the A.R.I.S. program at \$65 per hour for individual therapy and \$45 per hour for counseling, an \$25 per hour travel time, from March 8, 1991 through December 31, 1991.

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(Contract #00894)

14. Record of the Proceedings from Monday, March 25, 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, April 1, 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 #85471 through #85618 (Vouchers #85471 through #85618) in the amount of \$307,678.01. Transmittal #PR-5-91.
- 2) Warrants #10618 through #11255 (Vouchers #101162 through #101719) in the amount of \$976,304.27. Transmittal #P-6-91.

BID AWARD - COUNTY LEGAL PRINTING.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution awarding the bid for the County's legal printing for the period from July 1, 1991, through June 30, 1992, to The Skagit Argus, who bid \$3.50 per column inch and was the low bidder. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 12926)

PROCLAMATION - SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION DAY.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to declare Thursday, April 4, 1991, Sheriff's Office Recognition Day in honor of the outstanding effort of the employees of the Sheriff's Department during the flood disaster of November, 1990. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PRESENTATION - PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION TO INCREASE NATURAL GAS PIPELINE CAPACITY - NORTHWEST PIPELINE CORPORATION.

Joe Fields, Project Manager; Lynn Hemingway, Governmental Affairs Officer; and Bill Brassick, Area Superintendent of the Northwest Pipeline Corporation gave the presentation.

They provided maps and literature which outlined the company's plans to increase the capacity of their existing natural gas supply pipeline which is located in several northwest states to meet the increasing demand for natural gas. They are the sole supplier of natural gas in the State of Washington, and their pipeline traverses Washington State from north to south, running along the I-5 corridor and through Skagit County. The representatives indicated that no new pipes or construction are planned for Skagit County, but the compression station in Mount Vernon will be upgraded to increase the ability of the existing pipes to carry the product. It is estimated that \$6,000,000 will be spent on this upgrade, which will begin sometime in the first quarter of next year.

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DISCUSSION - FIREARMS RANGE FEASIBILITY STUDY.

Dave Fleming, Risk Manager, gave information on a project he has undertaken to provide an organized facility for shooting sports in Skagit County. With the help of an advisory committee consisting of County personnel and citizens, Mr. Fleming had the following work plan to present:

- commission a needs/interest survey (approximate cost \$1500 - \$2000).
- solicit site proposals and inspect prospective sites (approximate cost \$1000).
- report results of site visits to Board of Commissioners for decision.
- prepare short and long term capital improvement plan and submit to Board of Commissioners.
- prepare implementation plan.

The Board gave Mr. Fleming permission to implement the work plan.

DISCUSSION - CENTENNIAL TRAIL.

Jon Aarstad, Parks and Recreation Department Director, gave a brief review of actions to-date regarding the acquisition of Burlington Northern Railroad property by Skagit County to create an extension of the Centennial Trail connecting with Snohomish County. He stated that a Limited Title Report was prepared by a contractor; however, Snohomish County has advised Skagit County to obtain all deeds of record for the properties to avoid losing the property to reversionary clauses or other agreements which may have been made in the past with respect to the ownership of the property.

To accomplish the deed investigation, Mr. Aarstad suggested that the Board either authorize an employee for the Parks Department who would be devoted entirely to Centennial Trail purchases, or to hire an independent contractor or contractors to perform the same function. He suggested that additional independent contractors would act as agents for property acquisition when all deed research is complete. Independent contractor fees, Mr. Aarstad estimated, would range from \$29 to \$50 per hour.

Discussion ensued. Mike Woodmansee, Budget/Finance Director, indicated that funds have been budgeted in the Facilities Improvement and Land Acquisition Fund for the Centennial Trail development, and could be used for contractor services. At one point, Commissioner Wylie motioned to authorize a request for proposals from interested contractors, but withdrew her motion when Mr. Woodmansee pointed out that if contractor services total less than \$10,000, formal proposals are not required.

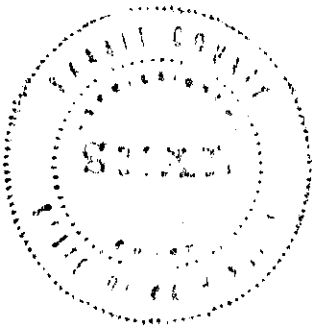
Commissioner Wylie then motioned to authorize telephone bids for a contractor to perform deed research for the Centennial Trail; however, if the telephone estimates exceed the \$10,000 limit, Mr. Aarstad should return to the Board for further discussion. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

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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

Robby Robinson, Commissioner

Ruth Wylie

Ruth Wylie, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Stephanie Wood

Stephanie Wood, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners