

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

Monday, July 22, 1991

10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.

Public Works Department - Rich Medved, Acting Director

- 1) Public Hearing - Establishment of an Extension of Bridgewater Lane #6541 as a County Road.
- 2) Public Hearing - Speed Limit Reduction - Portion of SneeOosh Road #4001.
- 3) Call for Public Hearing - Speed Limit Reduction -Conway Hill Road.
- 4) Call for Public Hearing - Open Unopened Right-of-Way on Windy Ridge.
- 5) Signature - Rock Grant.
- 6) Bid Award Recommendation - One New Asphalt Patching Mix Box.
- 7) Bid Award Recommendation - Provide/Install Service Body and Components Upon County-Owned Heavy Duty Cab and Chassis.
- 8) Bid Award Recommendation - Fir Island Road Project.
- 9) Bid Award Recommendation - Francis Road Project.
- 10) Signature - City/County Agreement - Cedardale Road.
- 11) C.R.P. Update - Peterson Road Project.
- 12) Signature - Professional Services Contract - Geo Engineers for Rock Quarry Reconnaissance.
- 13) Signature - Consultant Agreement - Riverside Bridge Feasibility Study.
- 14) Rejection of Bids/Recall for Bids - Consultant Services for Household Hazardous Waste Collection Day and Paint Swap Event.
- 15) Signature - Letter of Interest for Participation in D.O.E. "Special Acquisition" Program.
- 16) Signature - Professional Services Contract - Underground Storage Tank Compliance.
- 17) Miscellaneous.

CONSENT AGENDA.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m.

Bid Opening - Miscellaneous Equipment for Skagit County Jail.

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3:00 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Call for Public Hearing to Consider Ordinance Addressing Individual and Public Drinking Water Systems, Skagit County Code Chapter 12.48.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, July 22, 1991, with Commissioners Ruth Wylie, W. W. Vaux and Robby Robinson present.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - RICH MEDVED, ACTING DIRECTOR:

1) Public Hearing - Establishment of an Extension of Bridgewater Lane #6541 as a County Road.

Linda Johnson, Records Clerk, reported that petitions had been received from residents on Bridgewater Lane, north of Sedro Woolley for the County to take over and maintain Bridgewater Lane. She reviewed a location map of the area explaining that a petition had been received from residents requesting that an additional 420 feet of road be established as an extension of the existing County road Bridgewater Lane. Ms. Johnson stated that it is the recommendation of the Public Works Department that in its current condition Bridgewater Lane not be established as a County road. The road needs some cleanup and additional right-of-way deeded to the County.

Robert Farrell of 662 Bridgewater Lane explained to the Board that the main reason they are petitioning for establishment of Bridgewater Lane as a County road is for maintenance and safety reasons. They are not talking about an additional 30 feet needed for the road as the reason most residents bought on that road was because it was a lane with a country atmosphere. They like the road bed the width that it is. Expanding the current right-of-way would promote fast traffic.

Merrily Farrell said she would like to see the road continue as it is. The existing road is adequate for the amount of traffic. They would only like the County to maintain the road and keep the dust down by oiling it.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

In response to questions from Commissioner Vaux, Ms. Johnson and Steve Winter, Office Engineer described the portion of the road where maintenance is being requested. Mr. Medved advised that the County is willing to take over and maintain Bridgewater Lane, but the existing standards of the County call for a 60 foot right-of-way. When a road is established as a County road it must be brought up to County standards. The right-of-way is for utilities and drainage. Also, the road would have to match the north end of the road they already maintain.

Commissioner Wylie explained that for the County to take over a road the County needs to have right-of-way and bring the road up to County standards.

There was discussion relative to the three recommendations in the Engineer's Report. Mr. Winter explained recommendation #3. Mr. Farrell agreed with the County's proposal.

Commissioner Robinson motioned that as residents follow the County recommendations to bring the current road within County specifications, including the three recommendations in the Engineer's Report, that Bridgewater Lane be accepted as a County road. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

2) Public Hearing - Speed Limit Reduction - Portion of SneeOosh Road #4001.

Ed Hawes, Traffic Engineer, reviewed the background of the request for a speed limit reduction on a portion of SneeOosh Road #4001. A speed study was recently conducted by the Traffic Engineering section during the week of July 8, 1991 in the area of question. It is the recommendation of the Traffic Engineering section to reduce the speed limit no lower than 40 mph and target this area for a "Radar Readerboard Speed Program" which is currently being developed by Don McKeehen.

Mr. Hawes expressed concern about lowering the speed limit to 35 m.p.h. as people may not obey this speed without rigorous enforcement. He felt there was a lack of manpower in the Sheriff's Department to properly enforce a 35 m.p.h. speed limit.

Mr. Medved emphasized that the most important thing right now is being sensitive to the residents of the neighborhood and at the same time basing the recommendation on established engineering techniques. The recommendations are based on nationally recognized standards. Sometimes lowering speed limits can enhance the possibility of increasing accidents. A radar readerboard and at the same time recommending additional patrolling is recommended.

Kathleen Ketcham of 1575 SneeOosh supported the idea of additional patrolling of the area and the engineering technology that has been suggested. She emphasized the fact that 100% of the residents have signed the petition requesting a lesser speed limit and commented on the animals that have been killed and the number of accidents. She stated she would prefer a reduction to 25 m.p.h. and removal of the passing lanes.

Glenn Bartlett of 1568 SneeOosh said the test is not all that good. Living out there is the test. He emphasized that he has lived at that location for 22 years and it is getting worse and worse. The speed limit needs to be reduced and a sign installed saying "dangerous curve". He emphasized that they "need help now"!

Richard Pitt of 1576 SneeOosh Road emphasized that there is a highly concentrated population in the area in question and would not like to see the speed limit artificially lowered because it cannot be enforced. He advised his dog had been killed. Also, a number of people walk along that road on a daily basis and there are a number of recreational bicyclists using the roadway as well. He stated he is in favor of a 25 m.p.h. speed limit.

Commissioner Vaux entered into the record letters received from Mollie and Lewis Pepper and Sarah J. Carter requesting a 25 m.p.h. speed limit. He also entered into the record a letter from Loyd and Freddie Alt requesting a speed limit reduction.

Sydney Hansel stated he has lived in the area for 10 years and described a situation that happened when he lived in Edmonds a number of years ago which clearly emphasized the need for a lower speed limit.

Mrs. Ketcham added that there have been traffic related deaths in the neighborhood.

A gentleman in the audience who stated he is a retired watch commander with the San Francisco Police Department advised that San Francisco has put stop signs at almost every intersection to help alleviate these kinds of problems. He stated he is for the 25 m.p.h. speed limit.

Emily Skonerza supported the lowering of the speed limit to 25 m.p.h. She said the reason people slow down in the Indian village is due to the fact that it is heavily patrolled.

Ursula MassKannista requested that the passing lanes be removed north and south of the curve. She requested that the road shoulders be widened.

Commissioner Vaux replied that this would depend on how much right-of-way the County has. Mr. Medved said that this is being studied. The County would like to have a bicycle and walking path on that road.

A member of the audience stated that the neighbors are unanimous in dedicating an additional easement.

John Halleran of 1570 SneeOosh stated he just purchased a home in the neighborhood and found that two trees and a telephone pole were taken out by cars. He said he feels concerned about the traffic speed in the neighborhood.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

The Board discussed this matter in more depth.

Commissioner Wylie stated she feels there are some major problems in the neighborhood with the curves, people backing out of driveways and with no bicycle paths.

Commissioner Vaux stated that the speed limit had been lowered from 50 m.p.h. to 35 m.p.h. on Lake Campbell Road and that has worked well.

Commissioner Vaux motioned that the speed limit in the area in question should be lowered to 35 m.p.h., a solid line should be painted and signs stating "no passing" should be posted. After further discussion with the Board, Commissioner Robinson seconded Commissioner Vaux' motion. The motion passed unanimously. (Resolution # _____)

3) Call for Public hearing - Speed Limit Reduction - Conway Hill Road.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve for signature a resolution to Call for Public Hearing regarding the lowering of the speed limit on Conway Hill Road, #8500. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 13072)

4) Open Unopened Right-of-Way on Windy Ridge.

Linda Johnson reviewed this matter with the Board. Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve for signature a resolution to Call for Public Hearing to Amend an Earlier Resolution Regarding Opening of Unopened County Right-of-Way in Short Plat 17-84/Windy Ridge. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 13074)

5) Signature - Rock Grant

Dave Brookings, Flood Control Engineer, reviewed this matter with the Board. Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve for signature a resolution for rock rip rap in the amount of \$487.50. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 13075) (Flood Control Project No. 9134)

6) Bid Award Recommendation - One New Asphalt Patching Mix Box.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve for signature a resolution awarding the bid for purchase of truck mounted asphalt patching mix box to Utility Equipment, Inc. to furnish one new Patch King Model PK40H asphalt patching mix box with a Patch King Model TK120H liquid asphalt tank, as per specifications for the bid price of \$25,854.39. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 13079)

7) Bid Award Recommendation - Provide/Install Service Body and Components Upon County-Owned Heavy Duty Cab and Chassis.

Commissioner Robinson motioned to approve for signature a resolution to award the bid for purchase and installation of service body and components upon County-owned heavy duty cab and chassis unit, a Knapheide Model 6132D15400B service body, a Venturo Model HT-40K crane, a Champion Model BR7HYD air compressor and a Miller "Blue Charger" welder, as per specifications, for the bid price of \$27,390.11. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 13076)

8) Bid Award Recommendation - Fir Island Road Project.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve for signature a resolution awarding bid for Fir Island Road #4020 in the amount of \$160,518.23 to Valley Paving, Inc. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 13078)

9) Bid Award Recommendation - Francis Road Project

Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve for signature a resolution awarding the bid for Francis Road #7900 in the amount of \$119,658.00 to Waterworks, Inc. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # 13077)

10) Signature - City/County Agreement - Cedardale Road.

The City/County Agreement between the Washington State Department of Transportation and Skagit County for flood damage repair and pavement and shoulder damage repair to the Cedardale Road was approved for signature. (LA1441)

11) C.R.P. Update - Peterson Road Project.

The Board approved for signature a resolution authorizing the funding for the firm of Sturdy Engineering relative to Peterson Road, State Road Log Number 3240, from Mile Point 1.52 to Mile Point 2.50. (Resolution # 13080)

12) Signature - Professional Services Contract - GeoEngineers for Rock Quarry Reconnaissance.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to approve for signature a Professional Services Agreement between Skagit County and Geo Engineers to provide geological reconnaissance of six potential quarry sites which Skagit County may be interested in purchasing to replace the Duke's Hill quarry. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

13) Signature - Consultant Agreement - Riverside Bridge Feasibility Study.

Chet Reid, Civil Engineer, reported that the study will fulfill the requirements of the contract Skagit County entered into with the State of Washington to act as lead agency for this project. The Board approved the consultant agreement for the Riverside Bridge Feasibility Study with Alpha Engineering group, Incorporated, Bothell, Washington in the estimated cost of \$110,000.00 (100% State Funds).

14) Rejection of Bids/Recall for Bids - Consultant Services for Household hazardous Waste Collection Day and Paint Swap Event.

Frances Ambrose, Recycling/Waste Reduction, reported that two bids were received and neither bid complied with the bid specifications. Ms. Ambrose reviewed this matter with the Board, explaining that there is \$30,000 in the budget for this event and another \$15,000 is needed. Commissioner Vaux requested that this matter be reviewed by Mike Woodmansee, Budget/Finance Director, before the Board makes a decision on it.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to reject all the bids previously received for the Household Hazardous Waste Collection and Paint Swap Event. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

15) Signature - Letter of Interest for Participation in D.O.E. "Special Acquisition" Program.

Ric Boge, Recycling Coordinator, reported. The Board approved for signature a Notice of Interest for participation in the "Special Acquisition" Program to the Department of Ecology.

16) Signature - Professional Services Contract - Underground Storage Tank Compliance.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve for signature a contract with Kennedy/Jenks Consultants of Federal Way for bringing the County's underground storage tanks into regulatory compliance. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

17) Miscellaneous

There were no Public Works Department miscellaneous items.

CONSENT AGENDA

Commissioner Wylie motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

BID OPENING - MISCELLANEOUS EQUIPMENT FOR SKAGIT COUNTY JAIL.

The following bid was received for miscellaneous equipment for the Skagit County Jail.

Rainier Welding \$74,590.00

Roger Howard, Architect, Facilities Manager, introduced Tom Theissen, the Architect on the project.

MISCELLANEOUS

1) Commissioner Wylie read a Proclamation Recognizing the First Anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act. The Board approved the proclamation for signature and presented it to Bryan Baker of the Developmental Disabilities Advisory Board.

2) Tim Holloran, Director, Senior Services Department, introduced Penny Bernhardt, Staff Assistant, Senior Services, and Crystal Torset, Director, Mount Vernon Senior Center to the Board.

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3) Robert Taylor, Administrative Officer, presented a memorandum to the Board with the 1992 Insurance Recommendations.

CALL FOR PUBLIC HEARING

Commissioner Wylie motioned to Call for Public Hearing for adoption of the new chapter 12.48 to Skagit County Code Rules and Regulations of the Skagit County Board of Health Governing Individual and Public Drinking Water Systems. Hearing to be held Monday, August 26, 1991 at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as possible. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Resolution # _____)

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Wylie motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.



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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON



W. W. Vaux, Chairman

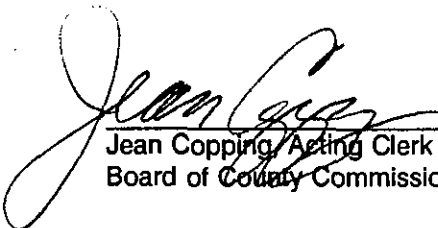


Robby Robinson, Commissioner



Ruth Wylie, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Jean Copping, Acting Clerk
Board of County Commissioners