

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

Tuesday, August 13, 1991:

- 8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Work Session - Assistant Director of Operations/Road Supervisors.

 Flag Salute.
- 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Department of Planning and Community Development - Scott Kirkpatrick,
 Director:
- 1) Swinomish Tribe Request for Letter of Support.
 2) Proposed Changes to Forest Practices Act.
 3) Enforcement Report Update.
 4) Miscellaneous.
- 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Update - County Data Processing.
- 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Discussion - Hamilton Annexation - Bob Ruby, Skagit Council of
 Governments, and Tim Bates, Mayor of Town of Hamilton.
- MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.
- 1:30 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Bid Opening - Hickox Road Asphalt Overlay.
- 1:45 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Proclamation - Job Corps Center Day.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 13, 1991, with Commissioners W. W. Vaux, Robby Robinson and Ruth Wylie present.

DEPARTMENT OF PLANNING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT - SCOTT KIRKPATRICK, DIRECTOR:

1) Swinomish Tribe Request for Letter of Support.

Jim Freeman, Associate Planner, explained that the Swinomish Tribe is requesting a letter of support from the Board of Commissioners for a grant application to develop the Community Local Education and Action Network. This application is to the Puget Sound Water Quality Authority's Public Involvement and Education Program, and will focus on informing on-reservation residents of water quality problems due to non-point pollution.

The Board approved this letter for signature.

2) Proposed Changes to Forest Practices Act.

Jim Cahill, Associate Planner, explained that the Department of Natural Resources has proposed a number of rule changes to the Forest Practices Board to act on at their next session. Mr. Cahill reviewed the recommendations he was most concerned with as follows:

- Rules would be changed to make likely conversion areas only those which may be converted to urban development within a 10 year period, not taking rural development into consideration. Mr. Cahill asked that the Board recommend to the Forest Practices Board that likely conversion areas be named as those which may receive non-forestry uses.
- The authority of the County with respect to review of forest practice applications would be severely

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restricted unless the County has adopted clearing and grading ordinances and has entered into an interagency agreement with the DNR. Snohomish County is challenging the authority of the FPB to create new WAC rules which reduce local authority afforded by State acts.

- New rules would involve the DNR in designating lands likely to convert, which would interfere with the County's own ability to designate forest resource lands. Mr. Cahill asked that the Board recommend that the DNR be given only consulting and review functions for forest land designated under the Growth Management Act.
- The DNR is proposing to not request a forest practices application for anything under two acres, thereby causing any conversions of less than 2 acres to go unrecorded.

The Board agreed to sign a letter addressed to Ed Summerfield of the Forest Practices Board in Olympia discussing all of the above items.

3) Enforcement Report Update.

Provided for review.

4) Miscellaneous.

- A. Mr. Freeman reported that a number of complaints have been received and will be investigated regarding the conduit placement along Highway 9 being performed by AT&T.

UPDATE - COUNTY DATA PROCESSING.

Goeff Almvig, Mapping Supervisor, was introduced to the Board. He gave an update on the department's plans to implement a Geographic Information System (GIS) program in the County.

DISCUSSION - HAMILTON ANNEXATION - BOB RUBY, SKAGIT COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, AND TIM BATES, MAYOR OF TOWN OF HAMILTON.

Bob Ruby, Executive Director of the Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG), gave a chronology of the events leading up to the proposed annexation of new property into the Town of Hamilton. He stated that following repeated severe flooding occurrences which devastated the Town of Hamilton, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) contacted SCOG to help with mitigation measures. As part of the mitigation measures, FEMA bought 11 residents out and 10 of the homes were subsequently auctioned off and removed from the townsite. One house, which was large and had historical significance, was approved for a new civic building. SCOG received \$40,000 from FEMA to provide assistance to Hamilton in the form of the location of higher ground which could be annexed to provide new homesites. The funds also would be used by SCOG to perform municipal work as assigned by the mayor and the town council. A parcel was offered by developers Pschoel and Schultz, where they proposed to build a large subdivision. To keep the lot costs down, a \$500,000 grant request was made to pay for water and sewer line construction. The request was turned down.

Mr. Ruby stated that the annexation proposed has now been submitted to the Boundary Review Board and a 45-day comment period has begun. Mary Beth Cherberg has been engaged as the Hamilton town planner.

Tim Bates, Hamilton Mayor, stated that another funding request will be made, this time for \$500,000 for the purchase of additional open space in the form of five abandoned structures which are currently present in the endangered portion of town. He requested assistance in providing proof of the town's existence to the

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grant source.

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, August 13, 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 #70912 through #71462 (Vouchers #109359 through #110087) in the amount of \$815,942.00. Transmittal #C-32-91.
- 2) Warrants #81988 through #82136 (Vouchers #81988 through #82136) in the amount of \$271,788.27. Transmittal #R-18-91.

BID OPENING - HICKOX ROAD ASPHALT OVERLAY.

Chairman Vaux waived the reading of the notice of call for bids, as published in The Skagit Argus on July 30 and August 6, 1991.

The following bids were received and opened:

- 1) Associated Sand and Gravel Co., Inc.
P.O. Box 2037
Everett, WA 98203

Total Bid: \$87,111.86
Proposal bond enclosed.

- 2) Wilder Construction Company
3315 - 15th St.
Everett, WA 98201

Total Bid: \$86,759.50
Proposal bond enclosed.

- 3) Lakeside Industries
P.O. Box 729
Anacortes, WA 98221

Total Bid: \$95,944.30
Proposal bond enclosed.

The bids will be reviewed and a recommendation for award made at a later date.

PROCLAMATION - JOB CORPS CENTER DAY.

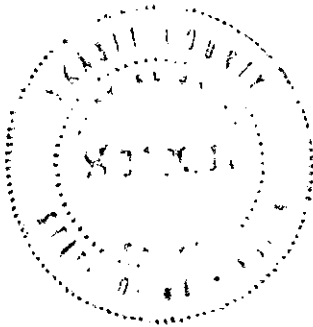
The Board signed a proclamation declaring September 21, 1991, Job Corps Center Day, in honor of the Cascade Jobs Corps program in Sedro Woolley.

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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, Commissioner



Ruth Wylie, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Stephanie Wood, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners