

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY COMMISSIONERS**

**Monday, March 23, 1992:**

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

Public Works Department - Rich Medved, Director:

- 1) Certificate of Commendation - Skagit County Recycler of the Month - EDASC.
- 2) Signature - Final Cost Records, Frances Road.
- 3) Signature - Final Cost Records, Peterson Road.
- 4) Signature - Final Cost Records, Fir Island Road.
- 5) Bid Award - One New Small 1991 or 1992 Sedan.
- 6) Miscellaneous.

CONSENT AGENDA.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS.

1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Presentation - Region IV Tourism Board - Report and Request for Funds.

2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.

Discussion - Forest Practices Board Proposed Regulations.

2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Hearing Examiner Recommendation - Approval - McCutchin Agricultural Variance #AGV-92-001, 1717 Britt Slough Road.

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Executive Session - Personnel and Litigation.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, March 23, 1992, with Commissioners Robby Robinson, Ruth Wylie, and W. W. Vaux present.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - RICH MEDVED, DIRECTOR:**

- 1) Certificate of Commendation - Skagit County Recycler of the Month - EDASC.

Ric Boge, Waste Reduction/Recycling Coordinator, recommended that the Economic Development Association of Skagit County (EDASC) receive the commendation for recycler of the month of March. Mr. Boge stated that EDASC now recycles copy paper, computer paper, leftover fliers/publication, cardboard, mail, newspapers and beverage cans. They also purchase recycled paper products. EDASC is also taking measures to reduce waste by printing drafts on the back of used paper, using double sided copying, donating used office paper to child-care providers for art projects, and using ceramic mugs for beverages. The recycling and waste reduction efforts combined have reduced their throw-away waste by approximately 75%.

Don Wick, EDASC Executive Director, addressed the Board stating that Barb Pringle, Patty DeWitt, and former employee Shirley Igems, were responsible for starting the reduction/recycling program at EDASC.

The Board presented the certificate of commendation for recycler of the month of March to the EDASC staff and congratulated them for their recycling and waste reduction efforts.

- 2) Signature - Final Cost Records, Frances Road.

The Board signed the Final Cost Records for Francis Road #7900. The total cost of the Francis Road improvements was \$114,677.89, which was approximately \$50,000 under the estimated cost.

- 3) Signature - Final Cost Records, Peterson Road.

The Board signed the Final Cost Records for Peterson and Cedardale Roads. The total cost of the improvements was \$322,744.71, which was approximately \$80,000 under the estimated cost.

4) Signature - Final Cost Records, Fir Island Road.

The Board signed the Final Cost Record for Fir Island Road. The total cost of the reconstruction was \$149,936.33, which was approximately \$60,000.00 under the estimated cost.

5) Bid Award - One New Small 1991 or 1992 Sedan.

The Board signed a resolution awarding the bid for the purchase of one new small 1991 or 1992 sedan to Blade Chevrolet. The item to be furnished is one 1991 Chevrolet Cavalier, as per bid specifications, for the bid price of \$9,799.00. (Resolution #14266).

6) Miscellaneous.

A) Mr. Medved addressed the Board regarding the results of the Skagit County Rodeo. He stated that there are four participants that qualified for the State rodeo. Rick Owens and Bob Siedel will compete in the Six-wheeler and Bob-tail events; Jim Hedbloom in the Loader event, and Dan Taylor in the Grader event.

B) Mr. Boge addressed the Board regarding a letter from Shell Oil Company Foundation considering making a contribution to the Skagit County Public Works Department in the support of the construction of a waste oil recycling facility. Mr. Boge recommended he comply with the Shell Foundation's request for information to assist in their decision. The request is to provide: a copy of an I.R.S. ruling, dated after 1969 regarding the County's tax-exempt status under 501(c)(3) and 509(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended; a detailed statement of history, purpose, and program; the most recent independent financial audit prepared by a recognized public accountant, including a detailed statement of income and expenses; Form 990; and a list of corporate donors and their level of support.

Mr. Boge suggested that should the Shell Foundation choose to contribute to the County financially, the money could be used to purchase 8 Lube Cubes. Three of these would be, as discussed previously, located at the County staffed Sauk Transfer Station, Clear Lake Compactor, and County Incinerator. The other five units would be for the cities of Anacortes, Burlington, Mount Vernon, Sedro Woolley, and possibly LaConner.

Chairman Robinson stated that one year ago LaConner had two sites for collection of motor oil. One at the launch area at the Port and another in the parking lot.

Mr. Boge stated that he will investigate the possible need at LaConner further. Mr. Boge continued stating that the Lube Cubes are the permanent fixtures for the oil collection sites. These units have secondary containment, covers, low access, sit on grates over drip pans in case of spillage, and meet all requirements for the collection of used motor oil.

Mr. Boge continued, saying that he has spoken with the cities about putting in the temporary secondary containment units. The cities have voiced concern about the possibility of contaminated oil and what to do in the event of contamination. Mr. Boge stated that the contaminated oil would be considered hazardous waste and the cost of the hazardous waste removal is approximately \$150.00 per gallon. Mr. Boge confirmed for the Board that the cities would be fully responsible for maintaining the oil collection sites and monitoring the oil being collected. The County's responsibility would be to purchase the temporary units and provide them to the cities.

The Board directed Mr. Boge to respond to the Shell Oil Foundation and supply them with the information requested to further consider contributing to the County's waste oil recycling facilities.

C) Mr. Boge discussed with the Board a proposal to co-sponsor a "Buy Recycled" campaign with Whatcom County. The campaign would be to inform targeted businesses of the availability of specific recycled products. Whatcom County had presented the idea to the Clean Washington Center, a function of the state Department of Trade and Economic Development charged with expanding markets for recycled products. They are interested in the proposal, but would be more interested if it were co-sponsored with another County. He stated that the County and, any other co-sponsors from our County, would commit to assist with promotion for the campaign. A phone and copy machine in the Solid

Waste Division for use by the person to be hired under contract to implement this campaign would be made available on a drop-in basis. Mr. Boge stated that he has asked Rory Denovan and Don Wick from the Economic Development Association of Skagit County (EDASC) if they would be willing to sponsor the campaign by assisting with promotion.

Mr. Denovan stated that he has spoken to Mr. Wick and he feels that it is a good idea. They will be targeting business that create net positive results on the environment and economy.

Mr. Boge restated that the cost to the County will be time spent helping put together the strategy for the program, assisting with possible mailings, and office equipment usage and supplies for the person hired to implement the campaign. This person would spend approximately 1/3 of their time in Skagit County and 2/3 in Whatcom.

The Board directed Mr. Boge to go forward with the campaign.

- D) Mr. Boge presented an update on the status of the Solid Waste Management Plan to the Board. Mr. Boge stated that he has been to Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) meetings at Anacortes, Burlington, Sedro Woolley, Concrete, and Hamilton. In May the preliminary draft of the plan will be done, and workshops will be scheduled to raise awareness of the plan and introduce SWAC representatives. Once the plan is complete, it will be available for public comment for one month and is due to the Department of Ecology by July 1, 1992. Mr. Boge stated that the SWAC committee has been meeting twice a month and has had good attendance.

Commissioner Vaux asked Mr. Boge where collected household recyclables are being taken, and if there is a campaign to promote participation in recycling, and how apartment complexes were to be involved in the household recycling.

Mr. Boge responded that the household collections are being taken to Skagit River Steel and Recycling. He also stated that there will be a student door-to-door campaign. Apartment owners and managers received a mailing explaining the service available. Meetings will need to be made with owners and managers to have agreement to use the service. Apartment dwellers will have to sort their recyclables and use their own containers. The apartment complexes will be supplied with three separate dumpsters for the specific types of recyclable materials. Mr. Boge also stated that the Country Club area in Burlington's curb-side recycling program is still functioning well.

The Board directed Mr. Boge to set up a tour of Skagit River Steel and Recycling.

#### CONSENT AGENDA.

- Public Defender:
  1. Signature - Contract for professional services with William Burkhart, 10740 Meridian Avenue N., Suite 104, Seattle, WA 98133, for the provision of professional expertise and evaluations in the area of neuropsychology at the rate of \$95.00 per hour. Contract commences January 1, 1992, and terminates December 31, 1992. (Contract #01271).
- \* Health Department:
  2. Signature - Guest Speaker Contract with Ralina Miller, 4213 175th Place NE, Arlington, 98223, to present "Personal Perspectives on HIV/AIDS during 1992, at the rate of \$25.00 per presentation. (Contract #01272).
  3. Signature - Resolution to call for Public Hearing for Amendments to Chapter 12.20 of the Skagit County Code - Camping Vehicle Park Regulations. Public hearing to be held Monday, April 13, 1992, at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as possible in the Commissioners Hearing Room, 202A of the Skagit County Administration Building, Mount Vernon, Washington. (Resolution #14267).

\* Parks, Recreation, and Fair:

4. Signature - Program Grant Agreement for the Purchase of Cottonwood Island including Items 1 and 2 as additions or addendums to the original contract as follows:

Item #1 - Listed under Exhibit 1, Subsection B - the additional statement includes "The grantee will identify its current and long-term management plans for the site, and further agrees to dedicate the site in perpetuity as a public access area".

Item #2 - Exhibit 4 special conditions state "Any interpretive signs funded by ALEA will need to be reviewed by ALEA staff during the latter stages of the concept plan where modifications can still be made. The grantee shall provide ALEA approved credit signs and safe public parking and access to the site". (Contract #01077).

• ARIS:

5. Contract for professional services with Catholic Community Services Northwest, (CCSNW) 1517 S. Second, Mount Vernon, WA 98273, to provide individual and family therapy, Sedro Woolley Treatment Case Manager Program at the rate of \$25.00 for clients not exceeding the rate on CCSNW sliding fee schedule. This contract will commence on January 1, 1992, and terminate December 31, 1992. (Contract #01273).
6. Contract for professional services with Northwest Family and Children's Services, 1303 S. Second, Mount Vernon, Washington, 98273, to provide individual and family therapy at the rate of \$40.00 per hour for therapy, \$25.00 per hour for travel. Contract shall commence January 1, 1992, and terminate December 31, 1992. (Contract #01274).
7. Contract for professional services with Larry D'Arienzo, P. O. Box 726, Concrete, WA 98237, for individual and/or family therapy at the rate of \$60.00 per hour. Contract shall commence January 1, 1992, and terminate December 31, 1992. (Contract #01275).
8. Contract for professional services with Christa Moore, M.A., N.C.C., 808 Elliott Place, Mount Vernon, Washington 98273, for individual and family therapy at the rate of \$65.00 per hour. Contract shall commence January 1, 1992, and terminate December 31, 1992. (Contract #01276).

• Commissioners' Office:

9. The Board approved the Record of the Proceedings for the week of February 24, 1992.
10. The Board approved the Record of the Proceedings for the week of March 2, 1992.
11. The Board approved the Record of the Proceedings for the week of March 9, 1992.
12. The Board approved the Record of the Proceedings for the week of March 16, 1992.

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, Monday, March 23, 1992, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

Warrants #79702 through #80213 (Vouchers #2002701 - #2003517) in the amount of \$395,663.00. Transmittal #C12-92.

- B) Commissioner Wylie motioned to put up for public auction, tax title property #173404-1-002-0102, an unplatted area off LaVenture Road between Sandalwood Street and Pacific Place, Mount Vernon, acquired at the foreclosure sale on December 13, 1991. Commissioner Vaux seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- C) The Board signed an agreement with Public Utility District No. 1 of Skagit County, 1450 Freeway Drive, Mount Vernon, for partial refund of distribution main extension installation contribution. Distribution main extension description: N. Bulson Road, Lake McMurray Highway to Sinnes & Sinnes Road, N. Bulson Road East. Install 4, 164 feet of 8-inch class 50 ductile iron pipe. Refund amount not to exceed \$48,528.97. This agreement will terminate 10 years after March 1, 1991, or upon completion of payment of refunds totaling \$48,528.97. (Contract #01277).
- D) The Board signed a Professional Service Contract with the Economic Development Association of Skagit County, P.O. Box 40, Mount Vernon, WA, to:
1. Market Skagit County to potential business and industry.
  2. Provide administrative and marketing services for special economic development projects.
  3. Develop contracts within State and National organizations to help EDASC achieve its goals.
  4. Represent Skagit County on Governor Gardner's Team Washington and participate in activities of the Washington State Department of Trade and Economic Development.
  5. Update and distribute Community Profiles containing information which would be important to a business considering location in Skagit County.
  6. Maintain the Industrial Site Inventory for Skagit County.
  7. Continue to implement the business development and retention plan for Skagit County.
  8. Compile semi-annual business activity reports summarizing major investment/disinvestment activity.
  9. Prospect for trade development in Skagit County.
  10. Organize and participate in community development projects important to the communities EDASC serves.
  11. Participate in the Washington Investment Network.
  12. Participate in Skagit Marketplace.
  13. Participate in the Washington Business & Job Retention Program.
  14. Participate in the Timber Workers Resource Council.
  15. Organize and participate in efforts to recruit environmental industries to Skagit County.
  16. Develop an enhanced Skagit County Community Profile publication in 1992.
  17. Expand recruitment efforts through the targeted recruitment programs.

Term of this agreement shall be from January 1, 1992 through December 31, 1992. Total County contribution shall not exceed \$23,000.00 during this term. (Contract #01278).

- E) The Board signed an endorsement to the Skagit County Medical Bureau contract. The purpose of this endorsement is to modify retention effective April 1, 1992. Monthly Rates, Retention, Rate Stabilization Reserve, and Reserve Fund, Section II - Retention is deleted in its entirety and is replaced with the following:

## II RETENTION

The Company shall retain 9.65 percent of gross premiums for purposes of administering the contract, which includes 0.65 percent for pre-admission certification fees to PRO-W. (Contract #00840).

## PRESENTATION - REGION IV TOURISM BOARD - REPORT AND REQUEST FOR FUNDS.

Mr. Larry Ashby, Northwest Regional Tourism Association - Region IV (NRTA), introduced Ms. Alice Perry, an original and current member of the NRTA, to the Board. Mr. Ashby presented a report and request for funds on the Region IV Tourism Board. Mr. Ashby stated that the State Department of Trade and Economic Tourism Division has had its budget cut to such a degree that the current regional program will not be funded in the 1992-93 biennium. They will continue to work with regional organizations that have identified specific marketing projects to deliver increased sales.

Mr. Ashby stated that the Northwest Washington Tourism Association (NWTAA) is attempting to create a five county Heritage Tourism Council. It was desired to have a council made up of the 5 counties of: Skagit, Snohomish, Whatcom, Island, and San Juan. San Juan County has withdrawn, leaving four counties to continue as a region called the "Jewel Coast." Mr.

Ashby stated that his goal is to receive pledges totaling \$7,000.00 from four entities in the County. The City of Mount Vernon, and the City of Anacortes have been met with and they have stated willingness to participate if the other two entities (the County and the City of Burlington) agree to participate. What Mr. Ashby requested was for the County to say they will participate if the cities do. Mr. Ashby stated that they are requesting up to \$2,000 from the various County entities. Snohomish County has received \$5,000, Island County is showing interest, Whatcom County has not committed.

Commissioner Vaux motioned to contribute \$1,000.00 to the "Jewel Coast" on the basis that the City of Anacortes, City of Mount Vernon, and City of Burlington commit their contributions. Commissioner Wylie seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION - FOREST PRACTICES BOARD PROPOSED REGULATIONS.**

Norm Schaff, Timberlands Manager, Crown Pacific; Dan Stransky, Campbell Group; Ken Osborn, Arbor Pacific Forestry Service; Gordy Iverson, Trillium Corporation; and George Shelton, Department of Natural Resources, were present for the discussion with the Board. The discussion involved proposed new rules from the Forest Practices Board, covering watershed analysis, cumulative effects, clearcut size and timing, wetlands, chemicals, shade wildlife reserve trees, Class IV Special and critical habitats.

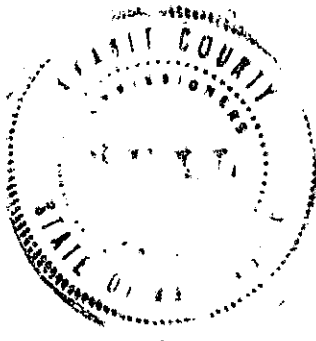
**HEARING EXAMINER RECOMMENDATION - APPROVAL - MCCUTCHIN AGRICULTURAL VARIANCE #AGV-92-001, 1717 BRITT SLOUGH ROAD.**

Jeff Morgan, Assistant Planner, presented the recommendation for approval of Mr. William McCutchin's agricultural variance to the Board. Mr. McCutchin would like to build a detached garage located within 3 feet of the side and rear property lines instead of the required setbacks of 15 feet on the side and 35 feet in the rear. The Planning Department had recommended denial of the request, suggesting that should the Hearing Examiner approve the request, the required setbacks be increased from the requested 3 feet to 8 feet. The Hearing Examiner recommended approval of the request, with the staff's 8 foot setback condition. After being requested to reconsider his findings, the Hearing examiner chose to revise his findings, recommending approval without the condition requested by the Planning staff.

Commissioner Wylie motioned to adopt the resolution approving an agricultural variance for Bill McCutchin, No. AGV-92-001, with the revised Findings of Fact from the Hearing Examiner. Commissioner Vaux seconded the motion, which carried unanimously. (Resolution #14268).

**ADJOURNMENT**

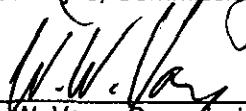
Commissioner Wylie motioned to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Vaux seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.




BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
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ATTEST:

  
Connie Carter, Clerk  
Skagit County Board of Commissioners