

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

Monday, March 28, 1994

Flag Salute.

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Discussion - Space Needs for Superior Court (Courtroom 2).

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Discussion - Administration Building Remodel Project.

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Public Works - Rich Medved, Director.

- 1) Public Hearing - Consideration of Parking Restrictions on a Portion of Lake Sixteen Road.
- 2) Signature - Interlocal Agreement Between Sedro Woolley Sub-Flood Control Zone and the Washington State Department of Fisheries - Brickyard Creek Fish Passage.
- 3) Signature - Interlocal Agreement with Washington State Department of Fisheries - Lorenzen Creek Fish Passage.
- 4) Discussion - Request for Qualifications/Proposals for Annual Waste Stream Audits.
- 5) Miscellaneous.

CONSENT AGENDA.

MISCELLANEOUS.

2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Executive Session - Personnel, Litigation and Land Acquisition.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, March 28, 1994 with Commissioners Robby Robinson, Harvey Wolden and Robert Hart present.

DISCUSSION - SPACE NEEDS FOR SUPERIOR COURT (COURTROOM 2).

The Board met with Superior Court Judges Stanley Bruhn, George McIntosh and Michael Rickert, together with Court Commissioner Susan Cook, Pam Green and Facilities Director Roger Howard to discuss space requirements for Superior Court. Specific relocation plans during the Administration Office remodeling were briefly discussed.

Judge Bruhn expressed his concern that the remodeling is very short-sighted, and that Judge Rickert and Commissioner Cook are suffering from lack of space and private restroom facilities. Judge Bruhn further stated that there have been no improvements to the courthouse in 20 years, and that an additional courtroom is also required.

Bob Taylor, Administrative Officer, suggested that perhaps one of the hearing rooms could be converted to a courtroom as has been done in the past. This would afford considerable more privacy for Ms. Cook.

Several areas where additional space in the courthouse might be gained from rearranged quarters were discussed, and the general consensus was that short-term plans should not interfere with long-term

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remodelling plans. Alternatives such as the Health Department Conference Room and the three hearing rooms were discussed.

Pam Green suggested that perhaps a solution to the restroom situation would be to install a key lock on one of the existing restrooms in the courthouse. Judge Rickert pointed out that the conversion of a hearing room to a courtroom would lack an adjoining chambers for attorney discussions and negotiations. Therefore, two hearing rooms would probably be required. Judge Rickert stated his reluctance to deprive the public of the use of these two rooms.

Commissioner Hart indicated the need to keep the lines of communication open as the quicker the problems are identified, the faster solutions can be reached.

Roger Howard, Facilities Director, stressed that any major remodelling to the courthouse will take 6-8 months to get started, and the group should concentrate on immediate solutions such as keying a restroom in the courthouse or rearranging existing space.

The Board indicated their approval for keying the restroom as discussed, and of getting the building footprint for review of possible remodelling potential and assessment of future needs.

DISCUSSION - ADMINISTRATION BUILDING REMODEL PROJECT.

Roger Howard, Facilities Director, advised the Board that, according to Code, if a building is classified as an "Essential Building", it would need to be designed to withstand a greater seismic load than regular buildings. Technically, the Administration Building does not qualify as an "Essential Building," and, according to the City of Mount Vernon, does not fit into the category of an Essential Facility. In order to bring the Administration Building up to the current seismic level for an "Essential Building," it would cost the County another \$500,000 in construction costs. The Mount Vernon planners are concerned that the Administration Building may be construed as an "Essential Building" by the general public, but in the course of the remodelling project, the Mount Vernon planners wanted the Board to know that they will not classify this building as an "Essential Building."

The Board concurred that the building need not be listed as an "Essential Building."

PUBLIC WORKS - Rich Medved, Director.

1. Public Hearing - Consideration of Parking Restrictions on a Portion of Lake Sixteen Road.

Commissioner Wolden opened the Public Hearing for comment. Steve Blair, Traffic Safety Investigator, reviewed with the Board a map of the area being considered for parking restrictions on a portion of Lake Sixteen Road. Mr. Blair advised that the road has little or no shoulder, and that trouble in locations such as this develop when people park on the roadway. Staff is recommending that both sides of Lake Sixteen Road be restricted to parking so there is adequate access for emergency service vehicles to get back into residential areas.

Ray Shulmier, resident of the Lake Sixteen area, stated that he had requested the parking restriction, but only intended the restriction to apply to one side of the road. The road is extremely congested during opening day of the fishing season through the first three weeks of the season. By completely restricting parking in this area, a great inconvenience would be created for fishermen during this time. Mr. Shulmier suggested that parking restrictions be imposed on the right-hand side of the road only and that keeping one

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side clear will allow emergency vehicles to access the residences there. Commissioner Hart asked if there is any possibility for the Game Department to provide additional parking in the area. Staff advised that the Game Department has developed all of the property that they own at that location.

A discussion ensued on the pros and cons of restricting parking on only one side of the road and the blocked restriction of emergency vehicles. Mr. Blair clarified exactly where the proposed restriction would apply.

Joe Camblin, 2110 Lake Sixteen Road, asked for clarification of exactly where the restrictions would apply and expressed his feeling that the restrictions should be applied to both sides of the road.

Hazel Greenwood, a citizen in the area whose husband died last year while emergency vehicles were trying to pass through the blocked roadway, stated that she feels vehicles should be restricted from parking on only one side of the road.

Chairman Wolden indicated his concern that parking on one side of the roadway will still cause encroachment onto the roadway and will possibly be detrimental to emergency vehicles.

Libby Allen, Lake Sixteen resident, stated that the parking restrictions will further impact residents along Lake Sixteen Road by increased illegal parking in the residential areas.

Hearing no further public comment, Chairman Wolden moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which passed the unanimously.

Chairman Wolden expressed the need to reassess the merits of restricting parking on only one side of the road, thereby allowing the fishermen to park on one side, make a decision based on further review on which side of the road would be the best to restrict, arrange for signage, and see what happens. If it does not work, then Staff should come back and review the parking issue again.

Due to the essence of time, Doug Barnet, County Engineer, asked the Board to direct Staff to make the decision on which side of the road to restrict parking for this season, have Staff report back to the Board, thereby allowing the County to proceed with signage before the fishing season begins.

Commissioner Hart moved to do just as Mr. Barnet stated, and further for Staff to provide feedback after the first week of fishing season to apprise the Board on the results of the first few days of fishing season. Commissioner Robinson seconded the motion, which was unanimously passed.

2. Signature - Interlocal Agreement Between Sedro Woolley Sub-Fisheries - Brickyard Creek Fish Passage.

Dave Brookings, Public Works Staff, presented to the Board for signature an Interlocal Agreement By and Between the Washington State Department of Fisheries and Sedro Woolley Sub-Flood Control Zone titled "Brickyard Creek Fish Passage Agreement." This year the advisory board of the Sedro Woolley Sub-Flood Control Zone voted unanimously to use part of the Zone's budget to finance a fish passage design project with the Washington State Department of Fisheries. This agreement will be paid for by the Zone, and will cost \$14,000. The improvement will be constructed in late 1995.

Commissioner Robinson indicated his approval of this project, and moved to approve for signature the Interlocal Agreement as presented. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hart, and passed

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unanimously. (Contract #01987)

3. Signature - Interlocal Agreement with Washington State Department of Fisheries - Lorenzen Creek Fish Passage.

Doug Barnet, County Engineer, presented an Interlocal Agreement for signature between Skagit County and the Washington State Department of Fisheries titled "Lorenzen Creek Fish Passage Agreement" for the replacement of a culvert at Lorenzen Creek. This creek is located next to the Dalles Road just outside the Town of Concrete. This will replace an 18-inch culvert, which is unreachable to salmon, with a 72-inch culvert, at a cost to the County of \$62,500.

Commissioner Hart stated that this agreement is the result of intensive and extensive work done with the Department of Fisheries. Commissioner Robinson moved to sign the interlocal agreement with the Washington State Department of Fisheries. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Hart, and unanimously approved. (Contract #01988)

4. Discussion - Request for Qualifications/Proposals for Annual Waste Stream Audits.

Don King, Public Works Staff, informed the Board that the Department of Ecology has decided to enforce 173-306-200 WAC to identify amounts of toxic metals and other substances that contribute to the toxicity of the ash at the incinerator. This will be an annual procedure. Mr. King is asking for the Board's direction to issue a Request for Qualifications/Proposals for annual waste stream audits to be published. The RFQ/P is to receive letters of qualification and proposals for conducting these studies for Skagit County.

After brief discussion concerning this unfunded mandate by the State, it was estimated by Staff that this procedure will cost anywhere from \$50,000 to \$75,000.

The Board indicated their concern over the cost for this type of service, and queried Staff on the possibility of doing this report in-house. Staff indicated they would look into in-house assistance.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Commissioner Robinson moved to approve the Consent Agenda for Monday, March 28, 1994. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which was unanimously approved.

* Commissioners' Office:

1. Record of the Proceedings from Friday, March 18, 1994.
2. Record of the Proceedings from Monday, March 21, 1994.
3. Record of the Proceedings from Tuesday, March 22, 1994.
4. Record of the Proceedings from Wednesday, March 23, 1994.
5. Resolution - Call for Public Hearing to Amend Skagit County Code Sections 7.12.010, 9.20.010, 11.32.010, 12.16.020, 12.48.110(7)(b), and Chapter 14.36 and Repealing Chapter 1.12. (Resolution #15296)

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6. Memorandum of Agreement with Valley Museum of Northwest Art for tourism services in the amount of \$5,000 for the term January 1, 1994 through December 31, 1994. (Contract #01989)

* Public Works:

7. Resolution for Request for Letters of Interest/Qualifications for Market Development for Recycled Materials. (Resolution #15297)
8. Resolution Authorizing the Opening of an Unopened County Right-of-Way Known as Buchanan Lane #7825. (Resolution #15298)
9. Annual Certification for County Road Administration Board (WAC 136-04) for Calendar Year 1993.
10. Out-of-State Travel Request for Various Public Works Employees to visit the City of Vancouver maintenance shop to observe the inventory and work order computer program the County will be converting to, for the total amount of \$67.50.

* Parks & Recreation:

11. Contract for Professional Services with Allied Concrete Construction, Inc. to prepare site, construct forms, pour and finish concrete porch and access to Modulaire restroom at the Fairgrounds for the amount of \$830.06 for the period March 17, 1994 through April 17, 1994. (Contract #01990)
12. Facility Rental Application and Agreement with Mount Vernon School District #320 for the Fieldhouse at Mount Vernon High School for March 26 and 27, 1994 at the rate of \$300. (Contract #01992)
13. Skagit County Parks, Recreation and Fair Professional Services Contract with Skagit Softball Umpires Association for the 1994 league season for the maximum amount of \$17 per game plus travel expenses of \$7 per game for trips to Anacortes, Concrete and Stanwood. (Contract #01993)

• Juvenile Probation:

14. Contract for Educational Services with Northwest Educational Service District 189 for the purpose of providing educational instruction to juveniles confined within the Skagit County Detention Center for the period September 1, 1994 through August 31, 1995 with funding provided from State, Federal or other sources. (Contract #01991)

* Human Services:

15. Resolution Appointing Linda A. Price as deputy designated mental health professional at the Skagit Community Health Center. (Resolution #15299)

MISCELLANEOUS:

1. 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, March 28, 1994, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

Warrant number MW109527-07 through MW109527-07 in the total of \$1,000; and,

Voucher numbers 4002890 through 40036800, 4FID00-04, 4FID00-14, 4FID00-30 through RFID00-49, 4EL4-75 through 4EL4-104, 4010-79 through 4010-108, and PW4-01 through PW4-128, Warrant numbers 109528 through 110187 in the total amount of \$1,022,967.92

2. Gene Anderson and Pam Terwilliger from District Court briefly discussed collection processes utilizing Skagit Bonded Collectors. A written report will follow.

ADJOURNMENT:

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

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON




Harvey Wolder, Chairman


Robby Robinson, Commissioner


Robert Hart, Commissioner

ATTEST:


Patti J. Owen, Clerk
Skagit County Board of Commissioners