

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Monday, June 26, 1995:

Flag Salute.

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

Parks Department - Job Aarstad, Director.

- 1) Proposed Memorial Field Resolution Proposal.
- 2) Review of Dreamfield Project.

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Best SELF Program Update.

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

Public Works Department - Jan Keiser, Director.

- 1) Public Hearing - Consideration of Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of West Big Lake Boulevard, No. 8950.
- 2) Public Hearing - Consideration of Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of Higgins Airport Way, No. 3115.
- 3) Signature - Professional Services Agreement Supplement No. 1 - Chinook Enterprises (Litter Control).
- 4) Miscellaneous.

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

Work Session - Update on Community Development Block Grant for West Shore Project.

**CONSENT AGENDA.
MISCELLANEOUS.**

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

Review of Training Program Accomplishments.

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

Work Session - Six Year Transportation Improvement Program.

3:30 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, June 26, 1995, with Commissioner Robert Hart and Commissioner Harvey Wolden present. Commissioner Ted W. Anderson's absence was excused.

PARKS DEPARTMENT - Jon Aarstad, Director.

1. Proposed Memorial Field Resolution Proposal.

Jon Aarstad, Director, mentioned that the Skagit Valley Softball Association has requested that the Board consider naming Field #3 at the Skagit Playfields complex, "Memorial Field". Mr. Aarstad mentioned that this field would be utilized for various memorials and plaques given in honor of individuals who contributed to the development of this facility to the enhancement and promotion of softball within Skagit County. Mr. Aarstad presented a Resolution in this regard.

Commissioner Wolden made a motion to dedicate Field #3 as "Memorial Field". Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #15805).

The Softball Association will dedicate this field at their All Star night on July 13, 1995.

2. Review of Dreamfield Project.

Mr. Aarstad presented an update on the status of the Dreamfield. Mr. Aarstad mentioned that the committee has received donations and assistance from various individuals to proceed with this field.

Chairman Hart stated that it appears that even though parks are a high priority of the public, the funding is just not available and therefore, must be supported by individuals.

Mr. Aarstad mentioned that Skagit Valley College has asked if the county would be willing to accept the designation of project administrator.

A discussion ensued in this regard and the Board concurred in accepting this designation, as it does not involve funds and only a small amount of staff time.

Mr. Aarstad stated that he would take this information to the Board of Trustees meeting.

3. Miscellaneous.

Mr. Aarstad presented a Resolution to appoint June Johnson, Sedro Woolley, to the Fair Advisory Board to complete the term of Dody Goode, who recently passed away. Mr. Aarstad mentioned this term would be effective June 26, 1995, and expire on December 31, 1998.

Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the Resolution to appoint June Johnson to the Fair Advisory Board. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #15795).

BEST SELF PROGRAM UPDATE.

Rene Guarriello, Best Self Staff, showed a video presentation which has been used for training purposes in the Best SELF Program.

Commissioner Wolden commended the program and stated that the cost of this prevention program is a fraction of what it would cost for one child entering the probation system.

Chairman Hart stated that this is a program in which everyone wins and commended the coordinated effort with many other agencies and entities.

Ms. Guarriello stated that there are 1,227 kids currently enrolled in the program as of this week and expects enrollment of 1,400 at the six locations. Ms. Guarriello compared these enrollment figures to an enrollment of 1,130 last year.

Ms. Guarriello mentioned that several college Program Assistants have been asked to commute to Concrete due to a lack of assistants at that site. In this regard, Ms. Guarriello requested that travel expenses be paid for the carpool driver to the Concrete location. The Board approved the request.

Mr. Woodmansee mentioned that a recent study has shown increased educational skills in students participating in this program.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jan Keiser, Director.

1. Public Hearing - Consideration of Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of West Big Lake Boulevard, No. 8950.

Steve Blair, Public Works Department Staff, presented the consideration and recommendation of the speed limit revision and mentioned this was requested by the residences in the area to lower the speed limit to 35 m.p.h. from 50 m.p.h. between milepost 2.26 and S.R. 9.

Chairman Hart opened the Public Hearing.

Dave Wynan, 1873 W. Big Lake Blvd., stated that on that particular portion of road, there are no houses being built at this time and therefore, no children present. Mr. Wynan stated that it is the speed limit violators who are causing the problems. Mr. Wynan stated that the 50 m.p.h. speed limit is suitable and stated that he did not see the need to change the current speed limit.

Ina Buffet, 1891 W. Big Lake Blvd., stated that traffic is treacherous with speeders, creating a dangerous situation for children or people walking in that area. Ms. Buffet predicted homes will be built in the area soon which will increase the problem. Ms. Buffet stated that lower speed limit signs might increase awareness even if enforcing this portion of the road is difficult.

There being no further public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Wolden made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

A discussion ensued in regard to enforcement on this portion of roadway.

Commissioner Wolden suggested that Public Works ask for enforcement in this area for 30 days at the 50 miles per hour speed limit.

A discussion ensued.

Commissioner Wolden made a motion to decrease the speed limit to 40 m.p.h. and to request enforcement in this area. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Staff will present a Resolution at a later date.

2. Public Hearing - Consideration of Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of Higgins Airport Way, No. 3115.

Mr. Blair presented the consideration to increase the Higgins Airport Way speed limit to 50 miles per hour from 35 miles per hour.

Chairman Hart opened the Public Hearing.

Jack Crawford, Mount Vernon, stated that the speed limit should remain at 35 miles per hour, due to this being an industrial area with anticipated development.

There being no further public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Wolden made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Chairman Hart made a motion to approve the Resolution, as presented. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Staff will provide a Resolution at a later date.

3. Signature - Professional Services Agreement Supplement No. 1 - Chinook Enterprises (Litter Control).

Robin LaRue, Assistant Public Works Director, presented the supplement to the professional services agreement with Chinook Enterprises, stating that this increases the contract funding by \$4,290.63. Mr. LaRue stated that this amount will be deducted from the 1995 contract total.

Chairman Hart mentioned that in anticipation of the progressing adopt-a-road program and in an attempt to utilize prisoners for these services, there is a possibility of decreasing service with Chinook Enterprises in the future.

Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the supplement as presented. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Contract #01865).

CONSENT AGENDA.

Chairman Hart made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, as presented. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

• Commissioners' Office:

1. Record of the Proceedings from Monday, June 19, 1995.
2. Record of the Proceedings from Tuesday, June 20, 1995.
3. Memorandum of Agreement with Washington State University Cooperative Extension for funds in the amount of \$42,058 through a Personal Services Contract for the period of January 1, 1995, through December 31, 1995, as the contribution to the WSU faculty salaries. (Contract #02491).
4. Quit Claim Deed with Gary Lohman and Charlene Boston for that portion of the Southwest 1/4 of the Northwest 1/4 of Section 32, Township 34 North, range 4 East, W.M. (Deed #0405).

* Public Works:

5. Resolution - Call for Public Hearing to Consider a Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of South Skagit Highway, No. 7000. This issue is a result of citizen's request and petition to change the speed limit on a portion of South Skagit Highway from 35 and 40 miles per hour to 50 miles per hour. (Resolution #15796).
6. Final Order of Road Establishment - Carolina Street, No. 10970. The Board voted to accept the street, at the public hearing held on January 9, 1995, contingent upon the petitioner, Mr. Don Silvers, providing signed right-of-way deeds from adjoining property owners. Mr. Silvers has recently submitted those deeds for recording and a Final Order can now be signed.
7. Resolution - Final Acceptance of Plat Roads as County Roads; Saint Andrews Court, No. 30050, Muir Field Court, No. 30070; Clara Place, No. 63360. These roads were dedicated to the public in plats recorded in 1993. All three have been under a two year maintenance bond which recently expired. The roads have been inspected and are in acceptable condition to accept permanent maintenance responsibility. (Resolution #15797).

8. Resolution awarding bid for purchase of one new latest model Motor Grader with Articulating Frame to Smith Tractor & Equipment Co. to furnish one new 1995 John Deere Model 770BH Articulating Motor Grader, as per specifications, less the trade-in allowance for two Caterpillar Model 12 graders, for the bid price of \$113,587.94. (Resolution #15798).

* Health:

9. Guest Speaker Contract with Gary Carpenter to present Personal Perspectives on HIV/AIDS at the compensation rate of \$25 per presentation. (Contract #02492).
10. Resolution extending compliance date for installation of a State Board of Health approved public water system at R.J.'s Hideaway in Marblemount, extending the compliance date to October 31, 1995. (Resolution #15799).

* Permit:

11. Resolution authorizing Public Notice of Request For Proposals for repairs to individual on-site sewage systems with the community of Blanchard, WA. Funding has been obtained to repair on-site sewage systems and in order to comply with State and County requirements to advertise for lowest cost repair proposals. (Resolution #15780).
12. Resolution authorizing the submittal of an Application to the Department of Ecology for an On-Site Septic System Technical Assistance Grant for a grant in the amount of \$25,050 to facilitate various on-site sewage system programs. (Resolution #157801).

• Planning:

13. Resolution Calling for Public Hearing extending the effective date of Interim Controls for Platted Lots Recorded Prior to March 1, 1995, for the purpose of establishing lot sizes for lots platted prior to March 1, 1995. (Resolution #157802).
14. Resolution Calling for Public Hearing extending the effective date of Interim Controls for the March Point Industrial Area for the purpose of receiving testimony on a proposed revision of SCC 14.04.060, Industrial zoning district, for the March Point Industrial Area. (Resolution #157803).

* Sheriff:

15. Multi-Jurisdictional Narcotics Task Force Program Application for the Skagit County Interlocal Drug Enforcement Unit to provide local and tribal governments with U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance funds to interdict drugs through the multi-jurisdictional efforts of law enforcement agencies and prosecutors for the term of July 1, 1995, through June 30, 1996. (Contract #02490).
16. Personal Services Agreement with Daniel B. Fosso to supervise and review legal research performed by Law Library staff on behalf of post-conviction inmates incarcerated in the Skagit County Jail. The Contractor will work directly with the Law Librarian. The compensation rate will not exceed \$2,000 for the term of July 1, 1995, through June 30, 1996, unless the Contractor exceeds ten hours of time for certain durations of time, he shall additionally be compensated at the rate of \$65 per hour. (Contract #02493).

17. Memorandum of Understanding with Skagit County Deputy Sheriff's Guild concerning the cooperative law enforcement agreement with the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community involving the limited commission of tribal law enforcement officers as county deputies. (Contract #02494).

* Public Defender:

18. Personal Services Agreement with Marion R. Paradis, M.S.W. to conduct evaluations of Skagit County Public Defender clients upon request at the rate of \$75 per hour for the term of May 20, 1995, through December 31, 1995. (Contract #02495).

MISCELLANEOUS.

1. Staff presented a Plat map for signature in regard to the Plat of Lake McMurray Estates, Sec 19&30, Twp 33N, Rng 5E, WM. Chairman Hart signed the Plat as presented.
2. Staff presented a Resolution to appoint Viola Jones to the Substance Abuse Administrative Board. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the Resolution as presented. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Resolution #15804.
2. Staff presented Personal Services Agreement with Aquatic Plant Control Services for the term of June 2, 1995, through July 9, 1995, not to exceed \$900 to clean and repair bottom barrier at Clear Lake Beach prior to 1995 swim season and to replace damaged section on bottom barrier fabric. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the agreement, as presented. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Contract #02497).
3. Staff presented a Sublease of Skagit County and Search and Rescue Lease Agreement with SKAT for a month to month lease beginning June 1, 1995, through May 31, 1997, for the property located at 1202 South Second Street, Mount Vernon. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Contract #02496).
4. Memorandum of Understanding with the Skagit County Deputy Sheriff's Guild concerning the provision in section 8.3 of the 1993-95 collective bargaining agreement allowing each employee to take vacation only after completing 12 months of service. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Chairman Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Contract #02498).

REVIEW OF TRAINING PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS.

Ric Boge, Training Administrator, presented a summary of the training program, briefly reviewing the history of the program.

Mr. Boge thanked the members of the training advisory committee for their help during the past year. Mr. Boge identified the committee members as Bob Taylor, Dave Fleming, Dave Stafford, Jan Keiser, Mike Almvig, Cliff Butler, Jack Davis and himself.

Mr. Boge stated that the four areas of training being emphasized were equipment training and certification, customer service training, supervisory and leadership skills training and basic computer skills training.

Mr. Boge reviewed the Equipment Training and Certification program, mentioning that a manual, guidelines and training packages have been compiled in this regard.

Mr. Boge stated that the Customer Service Training program is ongoing, as it is provided for all new employees.

Mr. Boge stated that the Supervisory/Leadership program has been working on assembling a training on county policies for this group.

Mr. Boge stated that the Basic Computer Skills program will be continuing, trying to accommodate all needs.

Mr. Boge also mentioned that they are developing a training database on all county employees. Mr. Boge mentioned that the training library is becoming more extensive and stated that employees are beginning to utilize these resources.

Mr. Boge reviewed various ongoing training efforts in the areas of sexual harassment training, college summer hire orientation, production of training videos, and equipment training/certification program for Park's Department summer hires.

Mr. Boge announced his vision to make Skagit County a Learning Organization and mentioned that in terms of long range goals, stressed the need to determine what kind of organization the County wants to be.

Commissioner Wolden commended the training programs for saving funds and lives.

A discussion was also held in regard to current first aid/cpr training available.

Bob Taylor, Administrative Officer, stated that the vision and leadership in developing the total training program is worthwhile. Mr. Taylor commended Mr. Boge on his instrumental part of developing the training program, particularly in the equipment training and certification at the Burlington Shop.

ADJOURNMENT.

Chairman Hart made a motion to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion. The motion was carried unanimously.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON





Robert Hart, Chairman



Harvey Wolden, Commissioner



Ted W. Anderson, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Debby Sims, Clerk
Skagit County Commissioners