

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Monday, February 5, 1996**

Flag Salute.

- 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.      Public Works Department - Jan Keiser, Director.  
1)      Public Hearing - Vacation of Unused Right-of-Way in C.W. Grist's Plat of Grassmere, Concrete, WA.  
2)      Resolution and Quitclaim Deed to Washington State Department of Transportation.  
3)      Miscellaneous.
- 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.      Proclamation - Early Childhood & Family Support Days, March 16 & 17, 1996.

**CONSENT AGENDA.**

**MISCELLANEOUS.**

- 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.      Establish 1996 County Property Tax Levies.
- 2:30 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.      Parks Projects Update.
- 3:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.      Facilities Projects Update.
- 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, February 5, 1996, with Commissioners Ted W. Anderson, Harvey Wolden and Robert Hart present.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jan Keiser, Director.**

1.      Public Hearing - Vacation of Unused Right-of-Way in C.W. Grist's Plat of Grassmere, Concrete, WA.

Chairman Anderson opened the Public Hearing.

Linda Leonhart, Public Works Record Tech, presented the background information in regard to the above vacation of unused right-of-way, illustrating the location of this vacation.

Ms. Leonhart stated that Public Works recommends approval of the vacation, as presented.

Commissioner Wolden made a motion to close the Public Hearing. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Hart made a motion to approve the vacation for the cost of the Public Hearing, which is \$81.32. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

2.      Resolution and Quitclaim Deed to Washington State Department of Transportation.

Ms. Leonhart illustrated by map, the location of the property in regard to the quitclaim deed as referenced above. Ms. Leonhart stated that the State has requested a portion of the right-of-way, due to an anticipated paving project. A discussion ensued in regard to the location of this property.

Commissioner Hart made a motion approving a Resolution granting a Quitclaim Deed to Washington State Department of Transportation. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #16045 and Deed #00406).

3. Miscellaneous.

1. Robin LaRue, Assistant Director, presented information regarding incinerator operational permits and the most current Environmental Protection Agency standards. A discussion ensued.
2. Jan Keiser, presented out-of-state travel requests for Cliff Butler, Andy Shaw, Ed Hawes and Dave Sheridan to attend the 47th Annual Road Builders Clinic in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, from March 10 - 14, 1996. Ms. Keiser stated that the costs would be funded from the training budget.

Ms. Keiser also presented an out-of-state travel request for herself, to attend the Operations Committee - The Innovation Groups in Clark County, Nevada. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the travel requests. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**PROCLAMATION - EARLY CHILDHOOD & FAMILY SUPPORT DAYS, MARCH 16 & 17, 1996.**

Joan Martin, Skagit Preschool & Resource Center, brought to the Board's attention that the correct days of the Early Childhood & Family Support Days are March 15 & 16, 1996.

Chairman Anderson read the Proclamation into the record.

Ms. Martin asked that Chairman Anderson speak on March 16th in this regard.

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

**CONSENT AGENDA.**

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

\* Commissioners' Office:

1. Record of the Proceedings from Monday, January 29, 1996.
2. Record of the Proceedings from Tuesday, January 30, 1996.
3. Record of the Proceedings from Wednesday, January 31, 1996.

\* Health:

4. Support Group Facilitator Contract with Skagit Mental Health to be compensated at \$40 per month for 1996 for the Skagit AIDS Volunteers. (Contract #02797).
5. Guest Speaker Contract with Marisa Bauducco to perform presentations of HIV/AIDS Workshop Transmission and Prevention during 1996. Compensation will be \$50 per presentation. (Contract #002798).

\* Facilities:

6. Vendor Services Agreement with Commercial Fire Protection to provide services of testing sprinkler risers in Skagit County facilities as directed by the Operations supervisor. Compensation will not exceed \$2,500, services commencing on January 1, 1996. (Contract #02799).

\* EMS:

7. Amendment "B" to Agreement with Adcomm Engineering Co, extending contract from January 1, 1996, through December 31, 1996. (Contract #01973).

• Public Defender:

8. Personal Services Agreement with Skagit Community Mental Health for the period of January 1, 1996 until terminated, Skagit Mental health Will provide evaluation services of Public Defender clients and will be compensated at \$60 per hour. (Contract #02800).
9. Personal Services Agreement with Marian Paradis for evaluation of Public Defender clients for the period of January 1, 1996, until terminated. Compensation will be at the rate of \$75 per hour. (Contract #02801).

\* Administrative Services:

10. Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Patrol Division of the Skagit County Deputy Sheriffs Guild for the period of February 1, 1996, through December 31, 1998. (Contract #02802).
11. Collective Bargaining Agreement with the Corrections Division of the Skagit County Deputy Sheriffs Guild for the period of February 1, 1996, through December 31, 1998. (Contract #02803).

**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, February 5, 1996, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above mentioned list and further described as follows:

Vouchers #MW146076-03 through MW146076-03 and Warrants #MW146076-03 through MW146076-03 in the total of \$2,638.34.

Vouchers #150472 through #150472 and Warrants #71904 through #71904 in the total amount of \$857.17. (Transmittal #P-03-96).

2. Patti Chambers, Administrative Coordinator, presented the Rensselaerville Institute Loan Agreement for signature. Commissioner Hart made a motion to approve the agreement, as presented. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Contract #02805).

3. Ms. Chambers presented an Interlocal Agreement with the Swinomish Tribe on behalf of the Sheriff's Department, allowing cooperation between law enforcement agencies. Commissioner Hart made a motion to approve the Agreement, as presented. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Contract #02804).
4. Ms. Chambers presented a Request For Proposals from Information Services. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the Resolution. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #16046).
5. Ms. Chambers discussed with the Board the concept of allowing Jon Aarstad, Director, to sign contracts for school districts facility use to eliminate the necessity of bringing these facility use agreements before the Board. Commissioner Hart made a motion authorizing Jon Aarstad to sign for facility space rental. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Staff will provide resolution in this regard at a later date.

#### ESTABLISH 1996 COUNTY PROPERTY TAX LEVIES.

Alicia Huschka, presented the property tax levies in Mike Woodmansee, Budget/Finance Director, absence, stating that the general property tax levy will be increased by approximately 104.5%, which is substantially less than the allowed 106%. Ms. Huschka stated the General, County Road and Emergency Medical Services levies total \$1,463,488 LESS than the statutorily authorized levy amounts.

Bill Youngsmen, Property Tax Association, commented on the fact that property tax is increasing at a much greater rate than incomes of residents and commended the Board of Commissioners on not automatically taking the statutory rate of 106%.

A discussion ensued in regard to individual taxing district levies.

Commissioner Hart made a motion to adopt the Resolution Certifying the Property Tax Levies for 1996 in the amount of \$9,090,306, Road Fund \$5,047,000 and Emergency Medical Services \$1,367,848. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #16047).

Commissioner Hart made a motion to adopt the Resolution for Diversion of Road Levy for Traffic Enforcement, generating \$4,617,000 deposited to the County Road Fund, \$430,000 deposited to the Current Expense Fund. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #16048).

#### PARKS PROJECTS UPDATE.

Jon Aarstad, Parks Director, reported that a Dreamfield Committee Meeting will be held tonight at 7:00 p.m. at the EDASC office. Mr. Aarstad also mentioned that there would be a 2nd public hearing regarding the Firearm's Range on February 15, 1996, at Big Lake.

Mr. Aarstad stated that he would be meeting with representatives of the U.S. Forest Service in regard to Pressentin Park.

A discussion ensued.

Mr. Aarstad also presented an update of the appointed members of the Fair Advisory Board, stating that there is one vacancy in District 1. Mr. Aarstad presented a Resolution for Richard Kannelly to be appointed in District 2. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the Resolution, as presented. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #16049).

A discussion was held in regard to the recent tour at the Grays Harbor Fairgrounds and the various ideas obtained from the tour continued to be discussed.

Mr. Aarstad reported that several letters have been received regarding citizen concern with the shooting range. Mr. Aarstad will be drafting a factual letter to be circulated to citizens helping to eliminate the possibility of false information being spread.

**FACILITIES PROJECTS UPDATE.**

1. Roger Howard, Facilities Manager, presented a Resolution for Request for Letters of Interest and Statements of Qualifications in regard to the construction of a new vehicle maintenance shop facility in Burlington. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the Resolution, as presented. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #16050).
2. Mr. Howard presented a Resolution Calling for Public Hearing in regard to the renewal of the lease with George Theodoratus for county property in Concrete. Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the Resolution, as presented. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Resolution #16051).
3. Mr. Howard and John Griffin, Structural Engineer, gave an update to the Board on the foundation project.

Mr. Howard announced that the foundation project would continue, as would further discussions in this regard. Mr. Howard informed the Board that more information would be compiled and that a schedule for a timely and economical solution would be brought back to the Board for discussion.

**ADJOURNMENT.**




BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

  
Ted W. Anderson, Chairman

  
Harvey Wolden, Commissioner

  
Robert Hart, Commissioner

**ATTEST.**

  
Debby Sims, Clerk  
Skagit County