

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monday, August 12, 1996

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- T 8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Public Comment Period.
- T 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Board of Health - Pat Pearce, Director.
- 1) Public Hearing - Proposed Revision to Solid Waste Code (Skagit County Code 12.16).
 - 2) Introduction of New Staff.
 - 3) Discussion - Consideration of Concrete School District request for school nursing services.
 - 4) Update - Parenting Education Program.
 - 5) Update - Skagit Community Network
 - 6) Discussion - Managing On-Site Sewage Systems.
 - 7) Presentation - Boys and Girls Club.
 - 8) Update - Recreational Shellfish Project.
 - 9) Miscellaneous.
- T 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Public Works Department - Jan Keiser, Director.
- 1) Signature - Memorandum of Understanding with City of Burlington regarding Joe Leary Slough Bridge Replacement Project.
 - 2) Signature - Withdrawal of Alger-Cain Lake Road RAP Project.
 - 3) Divisional Projects/Programs Updates:
 - a) Surface Water Management Division.
 - b) Engineering Division.
 - c) Solid Waste Division.
 - 4) Miscellaneous.

CONSENT AGENDA.

MISCELLANEOUS.

- T 2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Parks & Recreation Department - Jon Aarstad, Director.
- 1) Presentation by Sedro Woolley Playfield Association.
 - 2) Presentation by Dream Field Committee.
 - 3) Update - Presentin Park.
 - 4) Miscellaneous.
- 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, August 12, 1996, with Commissioners Ted W. Anderson, Robert Hart and Harvey Wolden present.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

There was no public comment today.

BOARD OF HEALTH - Pat Pearce, Director.

1. Public Hearing - Proposed Revision to Solid Waste Code (Skagit County Code 12.16).

Chairman Anderson opened the Public Hearing.

Ken Willis, Health Specialist, reviewed the abatement procedure in regard to public health emergencies.

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

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

Mr. Willis stated that Staff will provide a Resolution at a later date.

2. Introduction to New Staff.

Pat Pearce, Director, stated that Vicki Wantland could not be here today, but that she is an intern from California State University working in the department.

3. Discussion - Consideration of Concrete School District request for school nursing services.

Loren Fitting, Principal of Concrete Elementary School, stated that a group of medical professionals have met regarding general health concerns within the district. Mr. Fitting reported that the Concrete School District had to eliminate their school health nurse due to budget constraints, thus, the district is proposing the possibility of County health dedicating one and one half days per week to the district to provide the necessary health services. Mr. Fitting mentioned that funds from the hospitals have been set aside to assist in a portion of these health needs. A discussion ensued in regard to the other school districts in this area.

Emily Garcia, East Valley Medical Services, stated that they have assisted the district for many years and that grants have provided funding for services, however, these grant monies have been exhausted. Ms. Garcia proposed that a joint effort be collaborated with East Valley, Affiliated Health and the County to provide these services.

Chairman Anderson commended the Garcias on their assistance to promote health services in the upriver area. Commissioners Wolden and Hart stated their support of the program, however, Commissioner Hart expressed concern that it would be essential that the funding by the Health Department be addressed in the budget before proceeding. Ms. Pearce stated that the Department would be working with Budget/Finance in this regard.

4. Update - Parenting Education Program.

Linda Albert, Public Health Nurse, reviewed the Parenting Education Program, describing the program, the philosophy of the program and the strengths and future plans. Ms. Albert stated that this program is available to all families in the County, but it is focused on families with children from infancy to adolescents who are in need. This allows the program to offer assistance in providing education in family bonding and other needs of the families. Ms. Albert reported that this service is free to the families through partial funding from the Human Services Department with the Board of Health. Ms. Albert reviewed the success of this program and stated that actually being in the home helps to incorporate other family members into resolving. Ms. Albert also stated that they would like to expand their efforts to working jointly with other agencies that serve high risk families.

The Board inquired as to how the families are referred and Ms. Albert stated that Juvenile Probation and other agencies refer families to the program.

5. Update - Skagit Community Network.

Marti Wall, Chairman, Skagit Community Network, stated that the first phase of the plan is ready and available to the public. Ms. Wall stated that a Coordinator will be hired by the middle of September and that then a clearing house task force will be set up. Ms. Wall stated that this would create a clearing house of information which will be computer driven and described the information that would be included. Ms. Wall stated that a Youth Council would be set up and that the Outreach Program would be continued. Ms. Wall also reported that the evaluation program will proceed which will be comprised of community volunteers. Ms. Wall stated that the Network Board is to be community oriented and that volunteers are needed.

Commissioner Wolden commended Ms. Wall on the job she has done on this program and stated that out of the 39 counties in the state, this program is one of the best.

6. Discussion -Managing On-Site Sewage Systems.

John Thayer, Board of Health, introduced George Ridgeway, Environmental Health Specialist II, who reviewed the ten essential steps for taking care of on-site sewage systems for Health Department licensees. Mr. Ridgeway stated that the County has number of food service establishments, mobile home parks and trailer parks that use on-site sewage disposal systems.

Mr. Ridgeway reviewed the ten steps as 1)practicing water conservation, 2)keep accurate records, 3)inspect the on-site system yearly, 4)pump septic tank when needed, 5)never flush harmful material into tank, 6)keep run-off away from your on-site system, 7)protect the on-site system from damage, 8)landscape over the on-site system properly, 9)never enter any septic tank, 10)check with local health agency if experiencing on-site system problems.

Commissioner Hart suggested that these ten steps be provided to the public. Mr. Ridgeway stated that pamphlets will be provided and workshops will also be held in various areas of the County.

7. Presentation - Boys and Girls Club.

Jack Gubrud, Vice-President of the Boys and Girls Club, reviewed the history and the goals of the Boys and Girls Club in the County. Mr. Gubrud thanked the Board for their time in this regard. Mr. Gubrud stated that the changing of times have allowed kids to have more unoccupied time and that this organization will provide activities in hopes of preventing juvenile crime. Mr. Gubrud reported that with 1,000 contributions of \$250 each, this local club would be well funded. Mr. Gubrud stated that corporate, individual and community assistance is being requested and emphasized that the whole community needs to be behind this effort. Mr. Gubrud announced that the justice department contributed in excess of a million dollars at their May conference in Las Vegas to promote the children of America. Mr. Gubrud reported that General Colin Powell is on the Board of Governors of the Girls and Boys Club of America. Mr. Gubrud reviewed the juvenile problems that have arisen as a result of the growth in the County. Mr. Gubrud stated that Joe Best, President of the local organization, would be glad to answer any questions in regard to the organization.

Commissioner Wolden and Chairman Anderson commented in support of this program and encouraged support to preserve the future of the County.

8. Update - Recreational Shellfish Project.

Lulu Chou, University of Washington intern, reported on the recreational shellfish project, stating that a volunteers have been utilized and that work is continuing on this program.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT - Jan Keiser, Director.

1. Signature - Memorandum of Understanding with City of Burlington regarding Joe Leary Slough Bridge Replacement Project.

Ed Hawes, updated the Board on the Joe Leary Slough Bridge (Gear Bridge) Replacement Project. Several options for funding in concert with the City of Burlington were discussed. The specifics of the terms of the Memorandum of Understanding were reviewed. The Board questioned the increased monetary contribution by the County to complete the bridge project.

Chairman Anderson expressed his concern over this agreement and a discussion ensued in this regard. Commissioner Hart stated his support of the agreement.

Commissioner Hart made a motion to approve the Memorandum of Understanding as presented. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Contract No. 03082).

2. Signature - Withdrawal of Alger-Cain Lake Road RAP Project.

Dave Baltz, Transportation Planner, Public Works, stated that due to funding pressures and to receive full funding for the Lake Samish Road project, this project must be withdrawn, which at this time is a higher priority.

Commissioner Hart made a motion to withdraw the Alger-Cain Lake Road project and send a letter in this regard to the County Road Administration Board in this regard. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. (Approved & Signed By the Board).

3. Divisional Projects/Programs Updates:

a. Surface Water Management Division.

Dave Brookings, presented an update in regard to the various projects this division.

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Mr. Brookings reported in regard to the road closure at Parker Creek on the South Skagit Highway, a campaign has begun to get accurate information to the public and a public meeting is scheduled for 6:30 p.m. Wednesday at the fire hall in Day Creek. Commissioner Hart expressed the need to meet with the community before action is taken in regard to road closures. A discussion ensued. Chairman Anderson stated that by completing this project, this would take care of future road closures that have in the past occurred annually due to flooding. Commissioner Hart suggested that the Notice of Road Closure should not be signed as scheduled in the Consent Agenda today,

pending talking to the residents of the affected area.

A discussion was also held in regard to the Flood Warning Project and the Board concurred that the Public should be notified of the flood elevation levels. Ms. Keiser stated that staff will put a program together in this regard and bring it back to the Board.

b. Traffic Safety Division.

Don McKeehen, Traffic Safety Division, reported on the success of the booth at the Skagit County Fair and continued to report on various other current and anticipated projects.

c. Solid Waste Division.

Robin LaRue, Solid Waste Division Manager, reported on transfer station activities. Mr. LaRue also mentioned that the Moderate Hazardous Risk position should be filled shortly.

4. Miscellaneous.

Jan Keiser stated that a letter was received from the Burlington-Edison School District commending Robin LaRue for his contribution and donation of time and support to the school district, the high school and the community.

CONSENT AGENDA.

Commissioner Wolden made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Item #14, Resolution Calling for Road Closure on South Skagit Highway. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

* Commissioners Office:

1. Record of the Proceedings of August 5, 1996.
2. Record of the Proceedings of August 6, 1996.
3. Resolution providing a defense to Gary Gaer in lawsuit by Steven Darby McDonald. (Resolution No. 16253).
4. Resolution Appointing Daria Hewitt to the Developmental Disabilities Board for a term expiring August 11, 1999. (Resolution No. 16254).
5. Resolution Authorizing Supplemental Budget. (Resolution No. 16255).

* Public Works:

6. Resolution to Award Bid to Wilder Construction Company, for the bid amount of \$325,000 for the Butler Hill/Upper Samish Aggregate Crushing Contract. (Resolution No. 16256).
7. Resolution authorizing additional funding for preliminary engineering costs as well as add right-of-way funding and construction funding in the total amount of \$975,000. on Reservation Road. (Resolution No. 16257).
8. Supplemental Local Agency Agreements requesting Federal construction funding for the Gear Bridge Replacement Project. (Contract No. 02121).
9. Resolution in regard to earlier Resolution No. 15317 which established funding for the preliminary engineering work needed to design the Gear Bridge project. This Resolution to include additional funding for the preliminary engineering, as well as add construction funding. (Resolution No. 16258).

10. Local Agency Agreement & Federal Aid Project Prospectus requesting Federal construction funding for the Burlington/Sedro Woolley Tail Connection. The total cost estimate of the project is \$40,000 with \$32,000 anticipated from Federal funding. **(Contract No. 03083).**
11. Resolution awarding bid for Francis Road Project to SRV Construction, Inc for the bid amount of \$124,068.95. **(Resolution No. 16259).**
12. Personal Services Agreement with FCS Group, Inc. for Consulting Services to assist the Surface Water Management Division in the development of the Drainage Utility Rate Structure. The compensation will not exceed \$7,000. **(Contract No. 03084).**
13. Personal Services Agreement with David Evans and Associates for Engineering Services to perform the final design and contract specifications necessary to construct the South Burrows Bay Storm Sewer Project. **(Contract No. 03085).**
14. Resolution calling for Road Closure on South Skagit Highway #07000 for the installation of a precast concrete bridge at Parker Creek. The work will be done on the roadway beginning Wednesday, September 11, 1996, at 1:00 a.m. and will extend through Monday, September 16, 1996 at 1:00 a.m. **(Omitted).**
15. Supplement #1 to contract with URS Consultants, Inc to extend the contract completion date to August 30, 1996, to complete the operations options study at the Recycling & Transfer Station. **(Contract No. 02963).**
16. Personal Services Agreement with Washington Fence Company to perform fence installation on the Bow Hill Road Project (SR11 to Worline Road). The total cost is not to exceed \$12,057.15 for the period of August 12, 1996 through September 30, 1996. **(Contract No. 03086).**
17. Personal Services Agreement with Petersen Brothers, Inc. for installing guardrail at various locations on the Bow Hill Road Project (SR 11 to Worline Road). The total cost is not to exceed \$22,068.25 for the period of August 7, 1996, through September 15, 1996. **(Contract No. 03087).**
18. Contract with Hurlen Construction Company for the Guemes Ferry Docks Dolphin Rehabilitation in the amount of \$58,071.86. **(Contract No. 03088).**
19. Rural Arterial Program Project Agreements for Reservation Road in the amount of \$500,000, West Bow Hill Road in the amount of \$500,000 and Lake Samish Road in the amount of \$45,150. **(Contract No. 03089).**

* Juvenile Probation:

20. Personal Services Agreement with Angus McLane for the term of July 15, 1996 until terminated to provide juvenile offender evaluations, treatment, consultations and monitoring for juveniles and/or their families. Compensation will be as outlined in Exhibit "B" of the contract. **(Contract No. 03090).**
21. Contract for Educational Services with Northwest Educational Service District 189 to provide educational services to be provided to juveniles detained in the Juvenile Detention Center. The term of the agreement will be from September 1, 1996 to August 31, 1997. **(Contract No. 03091).**

* Human Services:

22. Contract Amendment with North Sound Regional Support Network for the period of 5/1/94 to 12/31/96 in the amount of \$24,000, which increases the contract to \$301,863. **(Contract No. 03092).**

* Prosecuting Attorney:

23. Vendor Services Agreement with Richard O'Neill for travel to Snohomish County Evidence Locker to retrieve evidence for trial in State vs. Brock. Compensation will not exceed \$25. **(Contract No. 02063).**

* Best SELF:

24. Personal Services Agreement with Kathy Fisk for the period of June 17, 1996, through June 21, 1996, to lead a workshop for teachers on the topic of Service Learning. Compensation will be \$50 per workshop. (Contract No. 03093).
25. Personal Services Agreement with Cesar Guerra for the period of July 1, 1996 through August 31, 1996, to provide initial draft of artwork for mural, preparation of wall for mural, sketching of artwork onto wall, supervision of students painting mural. Compensation will not exceed \$400. (Contract No. 03094).

MISCELLANEOUS.

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 12, 1996, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above mentioned list and further described as follows:

Vouchers #6007-284 through #6007-299, #6010-509, #6010-511 through #6010-519, #6010-521 through #6010-523, #6010-525 through #6010-529, #6014-399 through #6014-416, #6014-418, #6017-235 through #6017-262, #6020-171 through #6020-175, @6020-177 through #6020-181 in the total amount of \$1,828,447.87. Warrant #158007 through #158772. (Transmittal #A-37-96).

BID OPENING - COURTHOUSE FOUNDATION SYSTEM UPGRADE.

Roger Howard, Facilities Manager, announced that five bids were received and opened the bids as follows:

- 1) Son Construction Co.
Kirkland, WA
\$600,000.00
- 2) PCL
Bellevue, WA
\$755,000.00
- 3) Strider Construction Co., Inc.
Bellingham, WA
\$565,000.00
- 4) Pottle & Sons Construction, Inc.
Ferndale, WA
\$688,000.00
- 5) Hartford Contracting, Inc.
Bellevue, WA
\$513,000.00

Mr. Howard stated that the bids would be reviewed with a recommendation brought back in approximately one week.

PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT - Jon Aarstad, Director.

Commissioner Hart's absence was excused for this portion of the agenda.

Jon Aarstad stated that two projects have been worked on by community groups and that they will each present updates today to the Board.

1. Presentation by Sedro Woolley Playfield Association.

This portion of the agenda will be rescheduled as the Playfield Association was not present.

2. Presentation by Dream Field Committee.

Peter Swanson, Co-Chairman, and Harland Forrest, Spokesperson for the Dreamfield Committee, showed a video in regard to the Dreamfield.

Mr. Forrest stated that they have broken ground and are proceeding with this project. Mr. Forrest stated that the next step is to bring in the necessary fill materials, hoping to accomplish this in the next few months to ensure a full year's growing season. Mr. Forrest stated that \$1,000 was raised during the Highland Games by doing a parking fundraiser and continued by reviewing other recent endeavors that have brought in much needed funds.

Mr. Forrest stated that the completion of Phase I is anticipated with the fundraisers, although \$80,000 is still necessary. Mr. Forrest requested continued funding for this project from the County.

It was also mentioned that September 1, 1996, will be another Dreamfield Mariner night, with tickets being able to be purchased at the Seattle Mariners and just mention that you are purchasing tickets for the Skagit Valley Community Night.

Mr. Forrest emphasized the benefits of this field for the youth of the County. Commissioner Wolden inquired as to the materials being used on the ballfield and Mr. Aarstad stated what was necessary for this field.

Chairman Anderson stated that the County will take a look at their funding source in this regard.

3. Update - Presentin Park.

Mr. Aarstad presented an update on Presentin Park. Mr. Aarstad reported that a newsletter will be sent out to all those who have been taking part in the meetings to keep everyone abreast of the situation. Commissioner Wolden stated that coordination with the Health Department should take place in regard to water systems.

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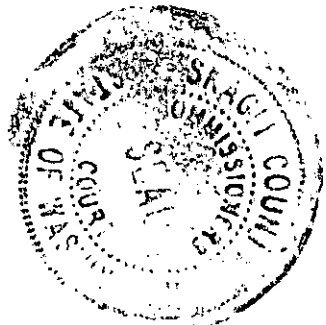
In a brief update of the Skagit County Fair, Mr. Aarstad stated that ticket sales were up considerably this year. The Board commended the Fair personnel and the Department on the success of the fair. Mr. Aarstad stated that an additional \$4,000 was received through the carnival this year. An official review of the fair will be presented to the Board at a later date when all the statistics are compiled.

5.

Mr. Aarstad also presented Buy/Sell Agreements in regard to the Centennial Trail with Roberta S. Shaw and Ralph Sawyer, and John Matterand and Extension of Time requests for Walter O'Neill and Helen O'Neill and John Matterand. (Shaw/Sawyer Contract No. 03096, O'Neill Contract No. 03097, Matterand Contract No. 03098).

ADJOURNMENT.

Chairman Ted Anderson made a motion to adjourn into Executive Session to discuss personnel and litigation matters. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.



BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Ted W. Anderson, Chairman

Harvey Wolden
Harvey Wolden, Commissioner

Robert Hart
Robert Hart, Commissioner

ATTEST.



Debby Sims, Clerk of the Board
Skagit County Commissioners