

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, July 15, 1997**

8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Work Session – Operations Division Manager/Road District Supervisors.
*T 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Public Works Department – Jan Keiser, Director. 1. Presentation: Overview of Equipment Rental and Revolving Fund. 2. Miscellaneous.
11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Bid Award – Skagit County Clean Water District: Edison SubArea – Phase 2 of Sewer Improvements.
Noon – 1:00 p.m.	Commissioners' Brown Bag Lunch with Employees (Commissioners' Hearing Room).

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 15, 1997, with Commissioners Harvey Wolden and Ted W. Anderson present. Commissioner Robert Hart's absence was excused.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – Jan Keiser, Director.

1. Presentation: Overview of Equipment Rental and Revolving Fund.

Charlie Sisson, Equipment Rental and Revolving Fund Manager, gave an overview of the functions of his division. The Equipment Rental and Revolving Fund Division provides management for stockpiles of gravel and rock products as well as maintenance materials and control of County owned equipment. The division is run very similar to a business. There are three main functions – Pits & Quarries, Central Stores and Maintenance Materials, and Equipment Rental. Mr. Sisson gave a brief summary of each of these main functions. Mr. Sisson stated that there are 360 County vehicles, which include the Sheriff's vehicles. The goal of the division is to find areas of cost-effectiveness and pass the savings on to other County departments.

The Board thanked Mr. Sisson for his informative presentation.

2. Miscellaneous.

There were no miscellaneous items for the Public Works Department.

BID AWARD – SKAGIT COUNTY CLEAN WATER DISTRICT: EDISON SUBAREA – PHASE 2 OF SEWER IMPROVEMENTS.

Margaret Curtis, Wilson Engineering, Engineering Consultants for the Edison Subarea advised that Bids were received on July 2 for the Phase 2 wastewater improvements. A total of four bids were received. Island Construction was the apparent lower bidder at the time of the bid opening. Strider Construction, the second lowest bidder, filed a protest. Ms. Curtis advised that bid tabulation corrected a number of errors in Island's bid. Further review of the bids found an error in Strider's bid regarding a maximum limit of 5% for mobilization. Ms. Curtis indicated that there is a statement in the bid documents which states that if mobilization is higher at 5% that it will be considered an arithmetic error. The bid tabulation was recalculated and Strider was then the low bidder. The bid should be awarded to Strider for \$622,059.41. Ms. Curtis advised that a letter of protest has been received from Island Construction and one of Island's subcontractors based on the mobilization correction. It is believed that the protest has no merit, and that the bid should be awarded to Strider Construction.

A discussion ensued regarding the calculation of the low bid and the protest received thereto.

John Moffat, Chief Civil Deputy, indicated that the bid documents address the errors in all bids and they were corrected in conjunction with the bid documents.

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS

Tuesday, July 15, 1997

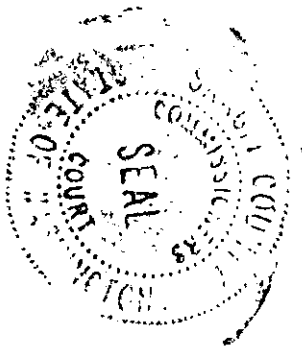
Page #2

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the Bid Award to Strider Construction Co., Inc. Chairman Wolden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (**Resolution No. 16610**)

Commissioner Anderson moved to authorize Contract Agreement between Skagit County Edison SubArea and Strider Construction Co., Inc. Chairman Wolden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (**Contract No. 003565**)

ADJOURNMENT.

Chairman Wolden made a motion to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.



**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**



Harvey Wolden, Chairman




Robert Hart, Commissioner



Ted W. Anderson, Commissioner

ATTEST:



Patti J. Chambers, Clerk of the Board
Skagit County Board of Commissioners