

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
Tuesday, December 16, 1997**

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| 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.      | Commissioner's Staff Meeting.   |
| 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.  | <u>Public Works Department – David Brookings, Administrator.</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Public Hearing – Consideration of Proposed Speed Limit Revision on Chilberg Road, No. 42200.</li><li>2) Public Hearing – Consideration of Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of Farm-to-Market Road, No. 31010, and West Bow Hill Road, No. 21180.</li><li>3) Public Hearing – Consideration of Proposed Parking Restrictions on a Portion of Cook Road, No. 63000.</li><li>4) Public Hearing – Consideration of Road Name Change from Del Mar Place, No. 10680, to Windward Way.</li><li>5) Public Hearing – Consideration of Opening Unopened County Right-of-Way Known as North Thirtieth Street (off East Division, Mount Vernon)</li><li>6) Public Hearing – Consideration of Vacation of Unopened County Right-of-Way Known as T.B. Fish Road, No. 26.</li><li>7) Update – Highway 20 Corridor Safety Project.</li><li>8) Discussion – City of Burlington Interlocal Agreement – Gages Slough Pump Station Improvements.</li><li>9) Miscellaneous.</li></ol> |
| *T 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. | <u>Planning &amp; Permit Center – Roxanne Michael &amp; Tom Karsh, Co-Directors.</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1) Public Hearing – Proposed 1998 Fee Schedule for Planning &amp; Permit Center.</li><li>2) Signature – Interlocal Agreement Between Skagit County and the City of Mount Vernon</li><li>3) Signature – Call for Public Hearing on Amendments to the Growth Management Act Public Participation Program.</li><li>4) Discussion – Planning Commission Recorded Motion Recommending Approval of Amendments to the Critical Areas Ordinance (SCC 14.06) in Response to the Western Washington Growth Hearings Board Decision and Order 96-2-0025.</li><li>5) <i>Miscellaneous.</i></li></ol>   |
| 11:00 a.m. – Noon          | Public Hearing – Consideration of Amendment of Skagit County Code 12.18, Relating to Solid Waste Disposal.  |
| Noon – 12:15 p.m.          | Public Comment Period.  |

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 16, 1997, with Commissioners Harvey Wolden, Robert Hart, and Ted W. Anderson present.

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – David Brookings, Administrator.**

1. **Public Hearing – Consideration of Proposed Speed Limit Revision on Chilberg Road, No. 42200.**

Chairman Wolden opened the public hearing.

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Steve Blair, Traffic Engineering, reviewed the exact location of the proposed speed limit revision on Chilberg Road. He explained that the proposal is to increase the speed limit from 35 miles per hour to 50 miles per hour.

Kirby Johnson, 1848 Chilberg Road, Mount Vernon, thanked the Board for this consideration and indicated his approval for the speed limit change. He noted the need to mow weeds along the roadway.

There being no further public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Hart moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Hart moved to increase the speed limit on Chilberg Road from 35 miles per hour to 50 miles per hour as described by Mr. Blair. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date.)**

2. **Public Hearing – Consideration of Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of Farm-to-Market Road, No. 31010, and West Bow Hill Road, No. 21180.**

Mr. Blair reviewed the exact location of the proposed speed limit revision on Farm-to-Market Road and West Bow Hill Road.

There being no public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Hart moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Hart moved to approve the speed limit revisions as proposed by the Public Works Department Staff. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date.)**

3. **Public Hearing – Consideration of Proposed Parking Restrictions on a Portion of Cook Road, No. 63000.**

Mr. Blair reviewed the exact location of the proposed parking restrictions on a portion of Cook Road, near the playfields being constructed just outside of the Sedro Woolley City limits.

There being no public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Anderson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the parking restrictions as presented by Staff. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date.)**

4. **Public Hearing – Consideration of Road Name Change from Del Mar Place, No. 10680, to Windward Way.**

Linda Leonhart, Public Works Staff, reviewed the exact location of the proposed road name change and advised that a petition was received from a majority of residents along the road asking for such name change.

There being no public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Hart moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Hart moved to approve the road name change as presented by Staff. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. 16794)**

5. **Public Hearing – Consideration of Opening Unopened County Right-of-Way Known as North Thirtieth Street (off East Division, Mount Vernon).**

Ms. Leonhart reviewed the exact location of the proposed opening of the unopened county right-of-way. She explained the particular circumstances of this request.

Pat Loughlin, a property owner, suggested that he needs to keep his access road to his farm buildings. He reviewed the exact location of his property adjacent to the unopened right-of-way in question. He requested that the request by the developer be amended to 30 feet, and a 20 foot access be allowed for his farm equipment. He advised that this access is already being used. Commissioner Wolden clarified that Mr. Loughlin has been using a County right-of-way for use as an access and driveway. Mr. Loughlin displayed a map showing an alternate location of 30<sup>th</sup> Street as proposed by the City of Mount Vernon. He stated that there should have been much more input on this matter from the beginning.

Commissioner Hart stated that in reality this is an open right-of-way that has never been technically opened. Ms. Leonhart confirmed this fact.

Ms. Leonhart indicated that this area is intended to be annexed into the City of Mount Vernon shortly.

Rick Cisar, Planning Director of the City of Mount Vernon, reviewed the Planned Unit Development process that the City has recently gone through, and stated that current City plans do not call for construction of Thirtieth Street as detailed by Mr. Loughlin.

Mr. Loughlin expressed his concern for the safety of children along the opened right-of-way.

There being no further public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Anderson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Hart discussed the options available to the Board, explained that the real issue is whether to close the access to everyone or open it as proposed.

Commissioner Hart moved to officially open the unopened right-of-way known as Thirtieth Street as presented by Staff. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. 16795)**

6. **Public Hearing – Consideration of Vacation of Unopened County Right-of-Way Known as T.B. Fish Road, No. 26.**

Ms. Leonhart reviewed the exact location of the proposed vacation and the petition received by Mr. Youngsman for his development project of Twin Bridges Marina near the Swinomish Slough. She explained that there is a portion of an old roadbed there, but that the 60 foot right-of-way is basically unused. She stated that utility companies are using that right-of-way extensively. The purpose for the vacation is to use the area for parking, and no structures will be built. She further stated that all franchises and easements of the utility companies will remain in place.

John Ravnik, Engineer with Ravnik & Associates, reviewed the exact location of the proposed vacation using a detailed map. He advised that there would be no use restrictions for existing utilities. He further confirmed that there would not be any physical structures built on this property.

Commissioner Hart stated that the City of Anacortes has had some questions regarding fill being placed over their existing 24" waterline.

Mr. Ravnik stated that nothing would be done to damage the integrity of the existing waterline. He stated that the fill in the area would therefore be limited to a couple of feet.

Ronald Johnson, Seattle, stated that he owns one of the cabins located along the Swinomish Channel, which have been on State land for 60 to 75 years. He expressed his fear that the he transfer of this land to Mr. Youngsman could affect the access to the cabins located there. He reviewed the exact location of the subject cabins. He urged the Board not to give control of the cabins' access to Mr. Youngsman, but keep it under the control of the County.

Michael Minard, a property owner in the area, stated that he is not in opposed to vacating this old roadway as long as it stopped prior to the entry to the cabins.

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Mr. Ravnik spoke to the concerns of the previous speakers concerning access to their property. He indicated that there is no intent by Mr. Youngsman to cut off access to the cabins.

Commissioner Hart indicated that as long as everyone is in agreement where the vacated road should begin and end, there should be no problem for the cabin owners.

Mr. Leonhart stated that the County would not be allowed to vacate this area if it would cause any property owner to be landlocked. She stated that the Final Order of Vacation will include the exact dimensions of the vacated area. She indicated that she would revise the final order of vacation to reflect the correct mileposts.

Commissioner Hart indicated the need to recover the cost of the vacation hearing.

There being no further public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Anderson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Hart moved to vacate T.B. Fish Road #26 for \$75 for the cost of public hearing and publishing the required legal notices. He further indicated the need to clearly define the vacated area using milepost determinations. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date.)**

**7. Update – Highway 20 Corridor Safety Project.**

This item was not discussed due to the lack of sufficient time.

**8. Discussion – City of Burlington Interlocal Agreement – Gages Slough Pump Station Improvements.**

Mr. Brookings reviewed the proposed City of Burlington's desire to acquire the Gages Slough Pump Station facility. Mr. Brookings stated that the Department is anxious to grant said request. The pump station will be upgraded and the County will cost-share with the City of Burlington up to 27% of the pump station improvements.

**9. Miscellaneous.**

There were no miscellaneous items for discussion.

**PLANNING & PERMIT CENTER – Roxanne Michael & Tom Karsh, Co-Directors.**

**1. Public Hearing – Proposed 1998 fee Schedule for Planning & Permit Center.**

Mike Woodmansee, County Administrator, reviewed the challenges of trying to meet all of the contending needs of the Growth Management Act. He discussed the need for local governments to work together. He stated that Skagit County is not the only County struggling with the financial burden of the Growth Management Act. He briefly discussed the preparation of invoices for the Governor detailing Skagit County's expenditures pursuant to the implementation of the Growth Management Act. Mr. Woodmansee reviewed statements from Moody's detailing the financial condition of the County. Mr. Woodmansee stated that the County cannot let the financial condition continue as it has the past two years. He advised that Skagit County is already experiencing months where the current expense fund goes negative.

Mr. Woodmansee stated that In 1996 Skagit County spent \$396,000 with the law firm of Buck & Gordon, and in 1997 spent \$425,000. The Board adopted a contract amendment with Buck & Gordon wherein effective December 1, Skagit County would not spend more than \$4,000 per month seeking their counsel. Mr. Woodmansee stated that this indicates that Skagit County is already taking steps to bring things into line regarding growth management.

Mr. Woodmansee stated that the tasks ahead are nearly impossible, and that the County cannot let the financial situation slip any further. He indicated that whatever costs cannot be dealt with through the Planning and Permit Center budget, will have to deal with through other county-wide budgets.

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Roxanne Michael, Co-Director, advised that the proposal in going to the 1997 fee schedule is the national average for running an efficient Permit Center.

Tom Karsh, Co-Director, noted that this fee schedule was previously reviewed at a work session with the Board. Planning recognized the need to cover the shortfall from the past few years. He stated that the fees proposed reflect what the department believes would remove much of the red ink which has historically been a part of the Planning Department.

Mr. Karsh indicated that concerns have been discussed with many individuals. He stated that the major concern has been for the big ticket items, i.e., Comprehensive Plan amendments priced at \$2,500. He stated that the Department is proposing a change to this item to amend those fees to some sort of statement which would read: "A minimum fee of \$500 at the time of application, and then to bill at \$50 per hour for any time that the Department would identify after 10 hours of processing the application." Mr. Karsh stated that this would also include major development permits such as for mobile home parks. He further indicated that the burden would be on the County to demonstrate why the additional time was incurred.

Chairman Wolden asked those assembled to limit their comments to the proposal and limit to 2 or 3 minutes.

Willard Hendrickson, Big Lake, stated that there is an economic dilemma within the County and one issue to consider is the aspect of the Friends of Skagit County and how much this group has cost the County. He stated that Friends tend to litigate to any moves made by the County Commissioners. He stated that he is not in favor of increased fees. Mr. Hendrickson further stated that County government is a business and needs to be straightened out and get their economics in line.

Don Christison, County Resident, agreed with Mr. Hendrickson's comments. He stated that we do not need more rules and regulations in County government. He further stated that we need to establish reasonable regulations, and that it is unnecessary to review and detail every point of a plan. He further commented on the frequency of building inspections. He stated that a challenge to a special use permit is priced so high, there is no fair representation for those who cannot afford to challenge said special use permits.

Randy Good, 2346 Minkler Road, Sedro Woolley, asked if public input would make any difference. He stated that property taxes have jumped 80. He gave several examples of expenditures and stated that this 400% increase is brought about by greed. He urged the Board not to raise these fees, but require departments to sacrifice as County residents have had to do. He stated that Skagit County officials must live within the law.

Louie Requa, Skagit Surveyors & Engineers, 806 Metcalf, Sedro Woolley, explained the differences between long-range planning and current planning. He stated that fees were raised one year ago and that Staff indicated that those fees were adequate or almost adequate to cover the costs of current planning. He stated that long range planning should be funded by general fund monies, and that there should not be a surcharge on applications coming in to get a permit because of growth management projects. Mr. Requa stated that long range planning is putting in places ordinances that are protecting all of us through general health and safety regulations.

Doyle McClure, 777 Parker Road, Sedro Woolley, representing Friends of Skagit County, stated that all members of Friends of Skagit County are property owners and taxpayers. He stated that Friends opposes the increase in appeal fees as it is an attempt to stifle dissent. He stated that the proposed fees are clearly intended to suppress public opposition to the policies that the public feels are inappropriate. He commented in the inappropriateness of paying fees to Buck & Gordon as the monies paid benefit the special interest groups that elected the Board. He indicated that Friends find the Staff processing is filled with errors. He requested that the fees not be increased.

Marianne Manville-Ailes, representing Skagit Surveyors & Engineers, addressed the issue of fairness, stating that these fee increases are a result of Planning Department overruns over the past couple of years which are a result of growth management issues. She noted the proposed increases are an effort to have current planning issues correct past overruns in long-range planning. She stated that many long-term property owners who have been good stewards of the land are not being treated fairly. She stated that an increase in fees will not increase customer service to short-range planning issues.

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David Mischke questioned the unfunded mandate of \$616,000 for GMA, and the proposed invoices to the Governor.

Mr. Woodmansee stated that this is an attempt to open the eyes at the state level of the unfunded costs to the County.

Mr. Mischke stated that the goals to preserve private property rights and affordable housing have been overlooked. He objected to the magnitude of the increases being proposed, and the need to limit costs to actual increases for appropriate services rendered.

Linda Pettit, President of Skagit Housing Solutions, a non-profit housing developer, stated her concern for increases in permitting fees, even though she stated she understands the circumstances that the County is in. Mr. Pettit advised that developing affordable housing is one of the mandates of the Growth Management Act. She asked about the possibility of adjusting fees for developers building for workers and low-income families.

Don Bockelman, South Skagit Highway, stated he would like to see the Board stop beating up on Friends of Skagit County. He stated that Friends should not be blamed for the Board's problems. He urged the Board not to enact the proposed fees. He suggested that private companies should be allowed to provide the service of evaluating all plans and certifying that the plans are in compliance with state regulations. He urged the Board to allow the private sector to provide these types of services.

James Cook, 7274 Minkler Road, Sedro Woolley, stated that bare land pays just like land with houses on it. He stated that the appeals fee should not be as high as proposed. He stated that fees are out of control as well as Growth Management, and that appeals by certain groups have made things more difficult. He commented on enforcement fees, which are proposed at an hourly rate.

Alan Perkes, 1534 Sunset Lane, Mount Vernon, stated he is involved in commercial development Skagit County. He clarified that these fees would be in effect in 1998. He stated that Staff needs to stay within the current ordinances when doing their reviews, and they need to work with current information. He indicated that old ordinances and manuals need to be cleaned out so that everyone on staff is working with current information. He stated that education is important, and there is no need to pay staff to be educated as they go along.

Harriett Smith, Association of Skagit County Landowners, stated that the County looks on landowners as having deep pockets. She indicated that the people in Skagit County have been bled dry by the Friends of Skagit County, and that this fee increase is not legitimate.

June Kite, 1863 Starbird Road, Conway, stated that the appeals fees are excessive and urged the Board to reconsider.

Carol Ehlers, Fidalgo Island, suggested that Mike Woodmansee explain what the general fund is to pay for. She reviewed some specific fees being proposed concerning the Water Quality Division. She discussed shoreline variances. She stated her objection to the appeals fees as proposed. She stated that the document as presented is not clear.

Ralph Clemons, PO Box 202, Lyman, wanted to complain about the process and stated that he thought the purpose of the public hearing was to help the Board put together what they needed to know. He stated that, in his opinion, the public comments are obviously insignificant to the process. He suggested that the Board continue this public hearing until more information is received from the general public. He complained that there is basically something wrong with the entire process.

Barbara Craner, Conway, commented that the appeal fees are.

Commissioner Wolden stated that the Board would accept written public comment through Friday, December 19, at 4:30 p.m.

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There being no further public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Hart moved to close the public hearing with written input received until Friday, December 19, 1997, at 4:30 p.m. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

The Board indicated that they would consider the public testimony and written comment and would consider this issue again at the next Planning Department regular agenda on Tuesday, December 30, 1997.

**2. Signature – Interlocal Agreement Between Skagit County and the City of Mount Vernon.**

Kendra Smith, Senior Planner, reviewed some minor changes on the Interlocal Agreement between Skagit County and the City of Mount Vernon. She noted that there was additional language added on Section 15 including additional language regarding the Comprehensive Plan.

Ms. Smith indicated that no comments were received in response to the legal notice in the Skagit Valley Herald.

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Skagit County and the City of Mount Vernon. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion.

Alan Perkes, 1534 Sunset Lane, Mount Vernon, stated that he was unable to obtain a copy of the proposed Agreement when he asked at the counter of the Planning Department. He stated that this agreement was not made available to the public, and that fact is evident as there was no comment received. He stated that there are many issues that have not been resolved in this Interlocal Agreement and that the Board does not know what they would be signing. He stated that it is pathetic that the Board will have no knowledge of the effects of signing this document until after it is done.

Commissioner Anderson queried Ms. Smith as to the public process. Ms. Smith indicated that the action on the interlocal agreement was properly advertised and maps made available at the counter of the Planning Department.

Dave Patterson, Mount Vernon, spoke to the impact fees mentioned in the agreement. As a commercial realtor, he stated that there are many commitments made prior to the submission of building permits, and that costs are based on fees that are in place at a certain time. Mr. Patterson indicated that It is imperative that the Board look at when this is to be imposed so there is a window of opportunity prior to the imposition of these fees.

Ms. Smith noted that Mr. Cisar has been circulating these documents from the City of Mount Vernon.

Jim Axthelm, College Way, Mount Vernon, expressed concern at sewer lines running through private properties where property owners have not been notified, and was concerned about implementation of this agreement without due process.

Rick Cisar, City of Mount Vernon, commented on impact fees and sewer lines. He stated that this agreement has been available for quite some time for public review. He stated that several people came to his office to pick up copies of the document.

Commissioner Hart stated that this agreement is pretty much in line with the City of Burlington's document, and that this process under GMA is basically requiring that the City and County sit down and go through these issues in joint planning efforts. He stated that this is not the final answer, but is an indication that we are willing to work with Mount Vernon. He stated that the process will include public hearings and involvement. Commissioner Hart indicated that this document is now in an appropriate form, and that the document is merely a framework to further the process of joint planning.

Chairman Wolden stated that the answers cannot be reached unless a process is implemented. He stated that this document is being done in compliance with the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan.

Commissioner Hart called for the question.

The motion passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. 16798, Contract No. 03755)**

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**3. Signature – Call for Public Hearing on Amendments to the Growth Management Act Public Participation Program.**

Gary Christensen, Senior Planner, briefly reviewed this procedure. The public hearing has been established for January 12, 1998, at 9:00 a.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room. Commissioner Hart moved to approve the Call for Public Hearing to consider amendments to the Growth Management Act Public Participation Program. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. 16796)**

**4. Discussion – Planning Commission Recorded Motion Recommending Approval of Amendments to the Critical Area Ordinance (SCC 14.06) in Response to the Western Washington Growth Hearings Board Decision and Order 96-2-0025).**

Jim Cahill, Planning Staff, presented to the Board copies of the Planning Commission Recorded Motion for Amendments to the Critical Area Ordinance (SCC 14.06) in response to the Western Washington Growth Hearings Board Decision and Order 96-2-0025. He highlighted the changes that were made by the Planning Commission.

Mr. Cahill thanked Carol Ehlers, Planning Commission member, for her efforts.

Mr. Cahill reviewed the options available to the Board including summarily adopting the recommendations of the Planning Commission, remanding it back to the Planning Commission for further consideration, or holding their own public hearing.

John Moffat, Chief Civil Deputy, advised the Board of the time constraints involved with this matter.

Mr. Cahill advised that copies of the recorded motion are available for the general public from the Planning Department.

**5. Miscellaneous.**

There were no miscellaneous items for discussion.

**PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT OF SKAGIT COUNTY CODE 12.18 RELATING TO SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL.**

Robin LaRue, Public Works Staff, reviewed the proposed changes to Chapter 12.18 of the Skagit County Code relating to solid waste disposal. He advised that these changes have been reviewed with the Solid Waste Advisory Committee ("SWAC") and the cities. These changes were previously discussed with the Board during a work session. He read a letter from the City of Mount Vernon commenting on these changes. Further, the City of Burlington also indicated they had reviewed the document and had no changes.

Don Bockelman, 2863 South Skagit Highway, Sedro Woolley, stated that he is in favor of these changes.

There being no further public comment forthcoming, Commissioner Hart moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Hart moved to approve an ordinance Amending Chapter 12.18 of the Skagit County Code relating to solid waste disposal. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Ordinance No. 16797)**

**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, December 16, 1997, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

Payroll warrants numbered 8072 through 8102 in the total amount of \$16,871.94 (Transmittal No. P-37-97)

2. Staff presented a Supplement to Contract for employee drug testing, which will include random drug testing for the ferry employees as required by the Coast Guard. Commissioner Hart moved to approve the Supplement as presented by Staff. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Contract No. 03756)

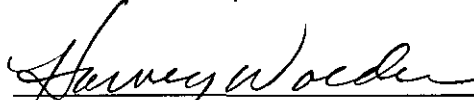
**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.**

Don Bockelman discussed the fact that deliberations on legal issues are exempted from public scrutiny. He stated that he would like to have dialogue with the Board concerning legal issues. He indicated that the decision to appeal certain actions should be done in public and not in private. He asked for dialogue from John Moffat on whether the Board has the authority to make such decisions in private. He further commented on cloud seeding and the application of material to the atmosphere, which results in additional precipitation in Skagit County. He would like to find out the extent of this practice. He stated that City Light seeds the clouds to fill up the reservoirs, and that this needs to be registered or documented. He stated that this cloud seeding results in flooding and additional litigation. He indicated that the Board should determine if cloud seeding was done before the 1990 and 1995 floods. He stated that he hears the airplanes during inclement weather and suspects that is when the cloud seeding takes place.

**ADJOURNMENT.**

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

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Patti J. Chambers, Clerk of the Board

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