

RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, January 6, 1998

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| 7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. | Commissioner's Staff Meeting. |
| *T 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | <u>Board of Health – Peter Browning, Director</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Review of 1997 and Preview of 1998 – Connecting with the Community in Public Health.2) Miscellaneous. |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. | Parks Projects Update. |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. | Bid Opening – Back-Up Vessel for the Ferry Guemes. |

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 6, 1998, with Commissioners Robert Hart, Ted W. Anderson and Harvey Wolden present.

BOARD OF HEALTH – Peter Browning, Director.

1. Review of 1997 and Preview of 1998- Connecting with the Community in Public Health.

Peter Browning, Health Department Director, reviewed the shifts and changes prevalent in public health. He advised that the big changes in public health deal with less staff working more efficiently. He stated that the County is becoming much more accountable. He commented on welfare reform and the resultant impact on families and childcare. The importance of an accurate data management system was discussed. Mr. Browning next discussed the prevention focus of the Health Department. Mr. Browning discussed the need for behavioral changes for long-term health benefits. Mr. Browning further commented on the need to continue to learn how to identify population-based problems and solutions. Mr. Browning noted the successful connections made with the community regarding public health.

2. Miscellaneous.

There were no miscellaneous items for discussion.

PARKS PROJECTS UPDATE.

1. Jon Aarstad, Director, discussed with the Board the need for a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Development and Operations of the Frailey Mountain Firearms Range. Mr. Aarstad explained and reviewed specific points of the RFP.

A discussion ensued on the short timeframe for submission of the proposals, which is scheduled for January 22, 1998. Commissioner Anderson commented on the difficulties of gathering the requested data within that short time period. A brief discussion ensued.

Commissioner Wolden moved to approve the Request for Proposals as presented by Mr. Aarstad, extending the submission date to Friday, January 30, 1998. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (**Resolution No.16825**)

2. Mr. Aarstad discussed the Burlington Northern railroad bridge and the difficulties of providing matching funds of 13-1/2%. He outlined his discussions with Eric Irelan of the Skagit Council of Governments. It was discussed that perhaps Paul Schissler, Contract Grant Writer, could perhaps assist in obtaining ISTEAF funds. Commissioner Wolden noted that there are special path monies available that could possibly be used, and he urged Mr. Aarstad to contact Dave Baltz in the Public Works Department for assistance.

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- 3. Mr. Aarstad next discussed the timber harvest at the Ann Wolford park area. He gave the Board a brief update, stating that the consultant has advised that the logging permit and DOT access permit should be submitted by the end of the week. He further advised that it will take several weeks to obtain all of the necessary approvals. Commissioner Anderson stressed the need to move this along as right now there is an excellent market for the trees located on the property. The Board stressed the need to expedite this harvest.
- 4. Mr. Aarstad reviewed the progress being made on improvements to the Swinomish Bridge Boat Launch.

BID OPENING- BACK-UP VESSEL FOR THE FERRY GUEMES.

Charlie Tewalt, Public Works Department Staff, advised that only one bid was received for a back-up vessel for the ferry Guemes. He opened the following bid:

Arrow Launch
 P.O. Box 2376
 Port Angeles, WA
 \$200 per hour; \$1,500 for a 12-hour day, \$1,800 for an 18-hour day.

Mr. Tewalt advised that the bid would be reviewed and a bid award prepared within the next two weeks.


MISCELLANEOUS.

Staff presented a Resolution Appointing Members to Citizen Advisory Committees for Development Code Recommendations. Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the Resolution appointing the members to the Citizens Advisory Committees listed on the attachment. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (**Resolution No. 16826**)

ADJOURNMENT.

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

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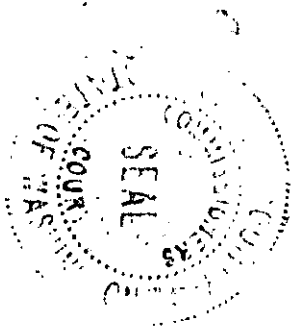
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 Harvey Wolden, Commissioner



ATTEST:



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

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