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**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monday, August 10, 1998**

8:30 a.m. – 8:45 a.m. Public Comment Period.

**CONSENT AGENDA
MISCELLANEOUS**

*T 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing – Consideration of Amendment to Skagit County Code Section 15.24 relating to Definitions and Method of Assigning Addresses.

10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Work Session – Operation and Maintenance of Sewer Systems.

11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Consideration of Recommendation for Approval of Preliminary Plat Applications:
1) Richard Bertelsen (PL97-0200) for Property located on Starbird Road.
2) Ron Valiquette (PL96-0298) for Property located on SR20 approximately 1-1/2 Miles East of Sedro Woolley.

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, August 10, 1998, with Commissioners Robert Hart, Ted W. Anderson and Harvey Wolden present. Commissioner Anderson was absent for a portion of the proceedings as noted.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

Commissioner Anderson was absent for this portion of the proceedings.

Clinton Walker, 3348 Swan Road, spoke regarding his objection to having a City of Mount Vernon address rather than a County address. He expressed concern the having a City address would allow the City in the door to annex his property. Commissioner Wolden explained that the residents would have to request annexation, and that this procedure does not just happen automatically. Mr. Walker stated that he would make additional comments during the public hearing regarding addressing later in the morning.

CONSENT AGENDA.

Commissioner Anderson was absent for this portion of the proceedings.

Staff advised that item no. 4, Record of the Proceedings for August 4, 1998, was not completed and should be removed from the Consent Agenda.

Commissioner Wolden raised questions on item no. 6, an out-of-state travel request for Ric Boge. Commissioner Wolden asked for further clarification and justification as to the need to spend almost \$2,000 on this convention. Staff indicated they would ask Mr. Boge for a further explanation.

Commissioner Wolden moved to approve the Consent Agenda for Monday, August 10, 1998, items 1-3 and item 5, and items 7-15. Commissioner Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE:

1. Record of the Proceedings of July 27, 1998.
2. Record of the Proceedings of July 28, 1998.
3. Record of the Proceedings of August 3, 1998.

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4. Record of the Proceedings of August 4, 1998. **(NOT APPROVED)**

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

5. Addendum to Contract with Summit Law Group changing the hourly rate of Bruce Schroeder from \$185 to \$195. **(Contract No. 03474)**
6. Out-of-State Travel Request for Ric Boge to attend an OnLine Learning '98 Conference and Exposition in Anaheim, California, September 21-25, 1998, for a total estimated amount of \$1,900. This includes conference registration of \$1,190, airfare of \$320, hotel of \$240, and meals of \$150. **(NOT APPROVED)**

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

7. Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing for Consideration of a Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of Reservation Road, No. 40210. The public hearing is scheduled for August 24, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. **(Resolution No. 17090)**
8. Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing for Consideration of a Speed Limit Revision on Brunswick Street, No. 30300. The public hearing is scheduled for August 24, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. **(Resolution No. 17091)**
9. Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing for Consideration of a Speed Limit Revision on a Portion of Marine Drive, No. 10610. The public hearing is scheduled for August 24, 1998, at 2:00 p.m. **(Resolution No. 17092)**
10. Declaration of Sole Source Purchase of a Self-Regulating Tide Gate for the Edison Slough Drainage Improvement Project. The Resolution allows Waterman Industries Sales, Inc. to provide a 48-inch diameter Waterman-Nekton self-regulating tide gate to Skagit County for an estimated cost of \$34,950. **(Resolution No. 17093)**
11. Professional Services Agreement with Semrau & Lisser to provide land-surveying services as required for County Projects for a not-to-exceed amount of \$24,000. The contract will run from the date executed until terminated by either party. **(Contract No. 04030)**
12. Vendor Services Agreement with Hayes Drilling to provide necessary modifications to groundwater sampling wells at the Inman Landfill for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$500. The contract will commence on August 11, 1998 and will continue until terminated by either party. **(Contract No. 04031)**
13. Vendor Services Agreement with Kamps Painting Company for extruded curbing along Old Highway 99 North, from Friday Creek north approximately 1,300 feet and for other future projects. The not-to-exceed contract amount is \$5,000. The contract will commence on August 4, 1998, and will continue until terminated. **(Contract No. 04032)**
14. Vendor Services Agreement with Skagit On-Line Services to provide a dependable e-mail link with employees at the Recycling and Transfer Station and the Household Hazardous Waste Facility for a not-to-exceed amount of \$500 per year. The contract commences on May 15, 1998 and will continue until terminated by either party. **(Contract No. 04033)**

PLANNING & PERMIT CENTER:

15. Development Agreement among the City of Mount Vernon, Skagit County, and the Washington State Department of Transportation (WSDOT) for a development (Mount Vernon Maintenance Division 2 Headquarters) located in the South Mount Vernon Urban Growth Area. This agreement involves the installation of sanitary sewer line and connection to the City sewer system along Cedardale Road. **(Contract No. 04034)**

MISCELLANEOUS.

Commissioner Anderson was not present for this portion of the proceedings.

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, August 10, 1998, the Board, by a majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

Warrants numbered 25354 through 25656 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$666,708.85 (Transmittal No. C51-98);

Warrants numbered 25657 through 25704 from Clear Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$544,560.38 (Transmittal No. C52-98);

Payroll warrants numbered 19576 through 20472 in the total dollar amount of \$724,436.68 (Transmittal No. P-38-98); and

Payroll warrants numbered 19575 through 19575 in the total dollar amount of \$382.91 (Transmittal No. P-39-98).

2. Staff presented a call for public hearing regarding supplemental budget for the Board's consideration. The Board was advised that this supplemental budget is to reflect revenue from various grants and other sources. The accounts and amounts affected are the General Fund #001, in the amount of \$215,000; Conservation Futures #122, in the amount of \$395,200; and Land Acquisitions/Facilities #340, in the amount of \$1,000,000. Commissioner Wolden moved to approve the Resolution Calling for a Public Hearing regarding supplemental budget, with the hearing to be held on Monday, August 24, 1998, at 3:00 p.m. Chairman Hart seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote. (Resolution No. 17094)
3. Staff presented Amendment No. 2 to a Contract with CMI amending the scope of work to include production of a computer program which will sort and compare Skagit County address data with General Telephone White Page listings. CMI will conduct the address and white page listing sort and attach the new address to the old address for each telephone record affected by the address change. The project costs will not exceed \$6,500. Commissioner Wolden moved to approve the Contract Amendment as presented by Staff. Chairman Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Contract No. 03230)
4. Staff presented Change Order No. 4 for the transfer of \$9,006.69 to Wilson Engineering from Strider Construction Company in conjunction with the Edison Community Drainfield/Sewer Project. This is the amount that Wilson and Strider agreed was needed by Wilson to cover Wilson's expenses for the time period following October 1, 1997 when Strider was not at partial completeness and the town of Edison was waiting for work to be done. The Board was advised that the town of Edison is in support of this change and feels that Wilson Engineering is owed this amount. Commissioner Wolden moved to approve Change Order No. 4 as presented by Staff. Chairman Hart seconded the motion which passed unanimously. (Contract No. 03565)
5. Staff presented a Personal Services Agreement with SPARC which provides for Community Development Disabilities services by DSHS – Division of Developmental Disabilities for a maximum amount of \$75,000 for the period July 1, 1998 through June 30, 1999. Commissioner Wolden moved to approve the Agreement as presented by Staff. Chairman Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. (Contract No. 04035)

6. Staff presented the mylar of the Replat of Lot 10, Gibraltar Heights. The Chairman approved the Replat as presented.
7. Chal Martin, Public Works Director, asked the Board to sign a letter asking for additional funding for the Farm-to-Market Road from the STP Board. Commissioner Wolden moved to approve the letter as presented by Mr. Martin. Chairman Hart seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. Chairman Hart signed the letter on behalf of the Board

PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENT TO SKAGIT COUNTY CODE SECTION 15.24 RELATING TO DEFINITIONS AND METHOD OF ASSIGNING ADDRESSES.

Commissioner Anderson was present for the remainder of the proceedings.

Tom Sheahan, Emergency Management Director, stated that for several months conversations have been held with various cities regarding what is best for the residential areas where possible annexation may take place in the future. There are special and oftentimes awkward situations that need to be considered.

Chairman Hart asked for specific information on the proposed change.

Mike Woodmansee, County Administrator, explained the change in the private road definition.

Jeff Hall, County 911 Database Coordinator, discussed Section 4 (Skagit County Code 15.24.040, Section 9) and the changes being proposed.

Mr. Woodmansee further explained that such areas may be poised for annexation and to revise the current county address to a new address and then change to a city address may be more changes than people want to deal with. He stated that this ordinance does not spell out all of the possibilities, but gives the Board the ability to work with a particular city within a particular area.

Chairman Hart stated that the ordinance does allow mitigation through development of Memoranda of Understanding among jurisdictions

Mr. Woodmansee clarified that if this ordinance is not adopted, any area within an urban growth area that is annexed within a month or five years, the addresses would have to be changed yet again.

Chairman Hart asked about the public participation in the various urban growth areas throughout the County.

Mr. Woodmansee indicated that the people in the South Mount Vernon area have been very involved, and that every property owner was mailed a notice of this hearing and it's subject matter. He further added that the readdressing of the County is almost complete and that Section 9 will become moot because everyone will have their new addresses.

Commissioner Anderson noted that he had particular concern for businesses and the expense involved in changing their addresses.

A discussion ensued on the participation of Fire Districts No. 1 and No. 3.

Chairman Hart opened the public hearing.

Skye Richendrfer, Mayor of City of Mount Vernon, stated that this issue has been discussed and is of vital strategic importance in the South Mount Vernon area of Mount Vernon's urban growth area. He stated that Mount Vernon wants to be a good partner with the fire districts and wants to be sure that all issues of cost and revenue sharing are addressed. He stressed that this is a complex issue but is vital to the City of Mount Vernon. He urged the Board to adopt the ordinance so that it will not be necessary to change addresses in these areas more than once. He explained that the ordinance provide you an opportunity to accommodate unique situations.

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Commissioner Wolden noted that many people are concerned who have not had the same level of communication as with Fire District No. 3.

Mayor Richendrfer stated that the City welcomes the opportunity to be good partners and wants to respect and understand other people's positions. He stated that their commitment is to continue to work with the fire districts and with property owners, and to communicate as openly as possible.

Larry Friend, Chairman of Board of Fire District 3, indicated that he has been working closely with the City. He expressed concern in bringing two different address systems into the district at the same time. He suggested leaving the numbers of the old system in place within specific areas

Mr. Woodmansee explained that, to the best of his knowledge, leaving the addressees the same is not an option under the existing system or the proposed ordinance language. He stated that leaving some numbers the same would make three systems for emergency responders to utilize, and this does not make sense.

Tom Sheahan, County Emergency Management, stated that his department is working closely with Hank Cramer, Director of the 911 Center, and that it has been determined that there will be two systems: a City system and a County system. He reiterated that there will not be three systems. He explained the process of an emergency vehicle being dispatched, and the necessity for sequential and reflectorized signage.

Upon query from Commissioner Anderson, Mr. Sheahan confirmed that the dispatchers will have an "is-was" list to help facilitate finding residences.

Mr. Friend confirmed that he does agree with the one-time address change, avoiding the necessity to change addresses twice.

Clinton Walker, 3348 Swan Road, stated that the letter he received from Tom Sheahan did not state the time of the hearing. He stated that he does not want a city address and does not want the city in his area at all.

Mr. Sheahan apologized for the oversight in the letter, and stated that the legal notice did specify the correct time.

Mr. Walker suggested that the addresses could be changed by merely adding a zero to the existing addresses. He stressed again that he does not want to be a part of the City.

Mr. Sheahan stated that the way the ordinance is written, it does not make you have to have a City number.

Mr. Walker stated that having a city address is just a "foot in the door" for the City of Mount Vernon

Chairman Hart spoke to the specific legal process for annexations, and explained that this ordinance has nothing to do with annexation.

D. Schiller, 1709 Highway 9, stated that his main concern is how far the City will be annexed, the area of sewer access.

Nick Stevens, 3688 Francis Road, explained that approximately 90 people in his area signed a petition not to be included in the urban growth area. He stated that they do not want to have anything to do with the City, as they like the way the County maintains their streets in comparison to the way the City maintains theirs.

Mr. Sheahan reiterated that this ordinance gives Staff a document to allow them to proceed with negotiations with the various areas in the County that have unique situations.

Commissioner Anderson stated that the urban growth areas are a part of the Comprehensive Plan, and that the Board has limited control over what parameters will govern these areas in the future. He reiterated the fact that annexation must be requested by the residents of such areas.

Wanda Vott, 1421 Cedar Hills Drive, asked why the new numbers have to be so different from the old numbers, and wondered when she would be advised of her address change.

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Jeff Hall, Addressing Coordinator, explained that Cedar Hills was developed with City of Mount Vernon numbers, but it is in the County.

There being no further public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Anderson moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Mr. Woodmansee referenced letters that had been received regarding their support of this proposed ordinance.

Commissioner Wolden moved to approve the Amendment of Skagit County Code 15.24. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. 17095)**

CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL OF PRELIMINARY PLAT APPLICATIONS:

1. Richard Bertelsen (PL97-0200) for Property located on Starbird Road.

Dave Hough, Planning Staff, reviewed the exact location of the 54 lots of the preliminary plat proposal. Mr. Hough explained that the Hearing Examiner has held a public hearing and has recommended approval of the preliminary plat as proposed.

Commissioner Anderson moved to approve the preliminary plat application of Richard Bertelsen as presented by Mr. Hough. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, and it passed with a unanimous vote. **(Resolution No. 17096)**

2. Richard Valiquette (PL96-0298) for Property located on SR20 approximately 1-1/2 Miles East of Sedro Woolley.

Mr. Hough reviewed the exact location of the 37-lot subdivision to be known as Viewcrest Estates. Lot size varies between 5-8 acres.

Commissioner Wolden moved for approval of the Preliminary Plat of Richard Valiquette as presented by Mr. Hough. Commissioner Anderson seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote. **(Resolution No. 17097)**

ADJOURNMENT.

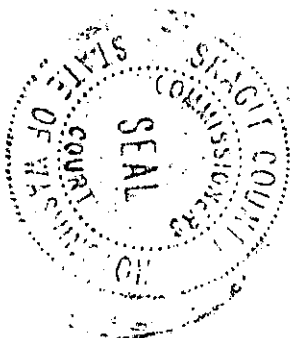
Chairman Hart made a motion to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**


Robert Hart, Chairman


Ted W. Anderson, Commissioner


Harvey Wolden, Commissioner



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ATTEST:

Patti J. Chambers

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