

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Monday, May 17, 1999**

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| 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. | Public Hearing – To Consider Testimony regarding the Possible Renewal of the Provisions of Ordinance No.16559, Interim Ordinance to Implement the Comprehensive Plan. |
| 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. | Public Comment Period. |
| | CONSENT AGENDA
MISCELLANEOUS |
| 11:00 a.m. – Noon | Work Session – Town of Edison Streets and Prevedell Road Realignment – Scope of Work/Cost Estimates. |
| 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. | Work Session – Property Replacement Insurance. |
| 2:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. | Work Session – Citizen Advisory Committee Progress on ESB 6094 concerning Commercial and Industrial Development Outside of Urban Growth Areas. |
| 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, May 17, 1999, with Commissioners Ted W. Anderson, Harvey Wolden, and Robert Hart present.

PUBLIC HEARING – TO CONSIDER TESTIMONY REGARDING THE POSSIBLE RENEWAL OF THE PROVISIONS OF ORDINANCE NO. 16559, INTERIM ORDINANCE TO IMPLEMENT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN.

Gary Christensen, Assistant Director, explained that this proposal is to extend the provisions of Ordinance No. 16559, the Interim ordinance implementing the Comprehensive Plan. He stated that the proposed renewing ordinance incorporates previously adopted ordinances, which have affected or modified Ordinance No. 16559.

Carol Ehlers, 3998 Windcrest Lane, Anacortes, spoke regarding the procedural matter of aggregation, and specifically, the effective date of March 1, 1965. She spoke about the inadvertent consequences to individuals some 30 or 40 years later, and encouraged the Board not to delay action, and to use criteria rather than a firm date.

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

Commissioner Hart stated that he appreciated Ms. Ehlers' comments, and noted that discussions have taken place at the legislative level in this regard. He stated that he sees the need to continue this ordinance and incorporate the ordinances previously approved which enacted urban growth area lot sizes and allowed the change in designation for the Crown Pacific property near Hamilton.

Commissioner Wolden concurred with Ms. Ehlers' comments on aggregation.

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Commissioner Hart moved to approve the renewal of the provisions of Ordinance No. 16559 incorporating the changes as presented in the draft ordinance before the Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Wolden.

Commissioner Anderson stated that the only reason he would vote for this renewal is due to the inclusion of the Crown Pacific ordinance. He indicated that he was some major concerns about stipulated agreements which are very unfair to a majority of taxpayers.

Upon call for the question, the motion passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. 17442)**

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD.

Don Munks, 9578 Marches Point Road, Anacortes, spoke to the lack of trust by Bob Hart and Harvey Wolden in not reappointing Louie Requa to the Planning Commission. He also spoke regarding Mr. Requa's appeal before the Western Washington Growth Management Hearings Board. Mr. Munks urged the Board to support Mr. Requa's appointment to the Planning Commission.

Dick Spink, Colony Road, Bow, stated that this is not a personal attack, but indicated that the silent majority is starting to speak. He spoke to Mr. Requa's appointment to the Planning Commission, commenting that Mr. Requa has devoted an immense amount of time, and deserves the Board's re-appointment to the Planning Commission.

Kevin Klocke, 10813 Potts Road, Sedro Woolley, spoke regarding his difficulty in buying a piece of land in the County, and commented that he feels the County is not working for him.

Wayne Crider, Executive Director for the Skagit-Island Counties Builders Association (SICBA), stated that the lack of re-appointment of Louie Requa to the Planning Commission was difficult for SICBA to understand. He commented on the development of the CaRD ordinance, and Mr. Requa's subsequent appeal to the Western Washington Growth Management Hearings Board. He stated that this lack of reappointment looks like retaliation against Mr. Requa for filing such appeal. He stated that there is no reason why Mr. Requa should not serve on the Planning Commission due to his vast knowledge and dedication. Mr. Crider asked the Board to reconsider and reappoint Mr. Requa to the Planning Commission, or open the process up further for public input.

Ken Wolcoski 669 So. Place, Anacortes, stated that it appears that staff is taking control of the departments, and reminded the Board that the general public elected the Board and intends for the Board to hire competent staff. He indicated that Staff is making decisions that should only be made by the Board. Mr. Wolcoski commented that Mr. Requa is one of the most knowledgeable people on the Planning Commission, and that the other members respect his opinion and expertise. He asked the Board to rethink the decision to not re-appoint Mr. Requa, and urged them to follow the rules.

Dr. William Blake, 3210 East Wind Street, Mount Vernon, expressed concern about the arbitrary decision not to concur with Ted Anderson's appointment to the Planning Commission. He indicated that it is the other Commissioners' duty to reconsider what has happened and go along with Commissioner Anderson's choice for appointment.

Monte Lennox, 47329 Lake Road Concrete, concurred with Dr. Blake's comments.

Ralph Clemons, 101 Crawford Drive, Lyman, spoke regarding process and public involvement. He commented that there have been many 2-1 votes against the Third District. He spoke to Mr. Requa's impeccable character and public service.

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Christopher Trotter, 32711 Hamilton Cemetery Road, Sedro Woolley, expressed his opinion that Commissioners Hart and Wolden are out of touch with the people they represent. He spoke to Mr. Requa being "an incredible human being." He asked the Board to take another look at this re-appointment.

Don Van Etten, 517 Fidalgo, Sedro Woolley, stated that there are other Planning Commission members that have conflicts of interest that should be brought forward. He spoke to the qualifications of Mr. Requa. He urged the Board to re-appoint Mr. Requa to the Planning Commission.

Karen Blanton, 808 Lucas Drive, Sedro Woolley, spoke in support of Commissioners Hart and Wolden, and gave specific examples of conflict for her land. She stated that some use their position to influence their land use designations. She stated that people who sit in power and authority, should not use their influence in this manner.

Anthony Raab, 2834 Northshore Road, Bellingham, commented on Skagit County's fatally flawed Comprehensive Plan, and urged the Board to support Louie Requa's reappointment to the Planning Commission.

CONSENT AGENDA.

Commissioner Hart moved to approve the Consent Agenda for Monday, May 17, 1999. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE:

1. Record of the Proceedings of Monday, May 10, 1999.
2. Record of the Proceedings of Tuesday, May 11, 1999.
3. Memorandum of Agreement with the Anacortes Chamber of Commerce for tourism promotion during calendar year 1999, wherein the County will provide \$5,000 for maintenance of the Visitor Information Center. **(Contract No. 04409)**
4. Personal Service Agreement with Timmers Appraisal Services to provide appraisal reports with sales comparison approach and or income approach for valuation of properties at 220 Myrtle Street (Masonic Lodge) and 508 South Second Street (GTE), and other properties as directed by the County. The Contractor will be compensation at \$2,500 per appraisal. **(Contract No. 04410)**

HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

5. Ordinance Amending Chapter 12.05 of the Skagit County Code regarding On-Site Sewage as approved at the public hearing held on February 2, 1999. **(Resolution No. 17443)**
6. Grant Contract with the March of Dimes to provide \$7,000 for Health Department Staff to start a Teen Clinic in Concrete. **(Contract No. 04411)**

FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

7. Vendor Services Agreement with Northwest Moving Services to provide labor and materials necessary to relocate County offices as directed by the Facilities Management Department in the not-to-exceed amount of \$24,000. The contract begins May 1, 1999 and will continue until terminated. **(Contract No. 04412)**

PARKS & RECREATION:

8. Personal Services Agreement with Apex Welding & Fabrication for fabrication of steel brackets for seven steel baseball backstop poles at a lump sum rate of \$7,565.08 plus tax. The contract begins May 3, 1999 and will continue until terminated. **(Contract No. 04413)**

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT:

9. Out-of-State Travel Request for Jill Scott to attend an Advanced Governmental Accounting Seminar in Portland, Oregon, June 14-16, 1999, for a total cost of \$800. **(Approved)**
10. Resolution approving Request for Proposals for the Demolition of a Standing Railroad Bridge, with the proposal deadline being June 30, 1999 at 4:30 p.m. **(Resolution No. 17444)**
11. Plans for the Edison Slough Drainage Improvement Project. **(Approved)**
12. Supplement No. 5 to an agreement with David Evans and Associates, Inc. to modify the budget and scope of work of the original contract by adding preliminary engineering and right-of-way preparation work for the city of Sedro Woolley's portion of the Cook Road Improvement Project. The supplement will add \$100,761.66 to the total maximum amount payable for a grand total of \$832,511.36. **(Contract No. 04009)**
13. Resolution awarding Bid for Steel Bridge Cleaning and Painting to Dunkin & Bush, Inc. for \$468,864. **(Resolution No. 17445)**
14. Supplement No. 2 to Agreement with Rick's Refrigeration increasing the price paid to Contractor for recycling appliances that do not contain refrigerant by \$3 to \$8 each, to be effective March 1, 1999. This increase will not change the amount charged to the customer (\$10). **(Contract No. 03838)**

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, May 17, 1999, 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 44499 through 45063 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$1,118,328.52 (Transmittal No. C-34-99).

2. Stephanie Wood, Personnel Director, reviewed with the Board a proposed Resolution Establishing a New Salary Schedule for Sheriff's Office Administrative Staff. She explained that, per the County's Budget Manager, the funds for this adjustment would come from a budget amendment to the Sheriff's Office budget. After a brief discussion, Commissioner Hart moved to approve the Resolution as presented by Ms. Wood. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. 17446)**
3. Staff presented a Vendor Services Agreement on behalf of the Sheriff's Office with Art's Auto Wrecking for the pick-up and disposal of abandoned or junk motor vehicles on County property or right-of-way. The Contractor will be paid \$25 per vehicle for these services. Commissioner Hart moved to approve the Agreement as presented by Staff. Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote. **(Contract No. 04414)**

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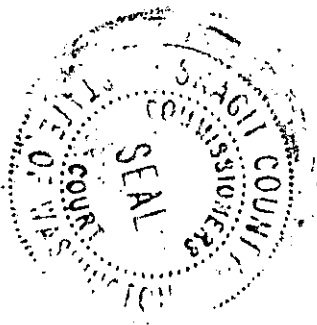
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4. Staff presented a Vendor Services Agreement with Mt. Baker Overhead Garage Doors for the replacement/repair of garage doors for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$5,000. Commissioner Hart moved to approve the Agreement as presented by Staff, and Commissioner Wolden seconded the motion. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. **(Contract No. 04415)**

ADJOURNMENT.

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

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Ted W Anderson

Ted W. Anderson, Chairman

Harvey Wolden

Harvey Wolden, Commissioner

Robert Hart

Robert Hart, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Patti J. Chambers

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