

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2004**

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Work Session – Operations Division Manager/Road District Maintenance Supervisors
- *T 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Public Works Department – Chal Martin, Director
1. Public Hearing – Consideration of the Vacation of Unopened County Right-of-Way Known as Front Street (Rockport)
 2. Public Hearing – Consideration of the Vacation of Unopened Right-of-Way Known as Edward Street (Rockport)
 3. Miscellaneous
- *T 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Planning & Permit Center – Lou Haff, Interim Director
1. Appointment of Members to and Creation of a Master Planned Resort Citizens Advisory Committee
 2. Miscellaneous
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Work Session – Telegraph Slough

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, January 13, 2004, with Commissioners Ted W. Anderson, Don Munks, and Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – CHAL MARTIN, DIRECTOR

1. Public Hearing – Consideration of the Vacation of Unopened County Right-of-Way Known as Front Street (Rockport).

Steve Flude, Assistant Director, reviewed the exact location of the proposed vacation of the unopened County right-of-way known as Front Street in Rockport. The Department recommended that the vacation of the unopened right-of-way be approved as presented. He showed a photograph of the area in question.

Steve Finkbohner, 5840 Hawthorn Place, Ferndale, spoke in support of the vacated right-of-way.

There being no further public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Munks moved to close the public hearing. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. The public hearing was closed.

Commissioner Munks moved to concur with Public Works' recommendation and allow the vacation of the unopened County right-of-way known as Front Street. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dahlstedt and passed unanimously. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date)**

2. Public Hearing – Consideration of the Vacation of Unopened Right-of-Way Known as Edward Street (Rockport).

Mr. Flude outlined the proposed vacation of the unopened County right-of-way known as Edward Street in Rockport, north of Main Street. He showed a photograph of the area and stated that the Department recommends the vacation as presented.

It was noted that Mr. Finkbohner spoke at the previous public hearing regarding Front Street in Rockport. He meant to speak in support of the vacation of the unopened County right-of-way known as Edward Street.

There being no public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Munks motioned to close the public hearing. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2004
PAGE NO. 2**

Commissioner Munks moved to concur with Public Works' recommendation and allow the vacation of the unopened County right-of-way known as Edward Street. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion, and it carried unanimously. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date)**

3. Miscellaneous.

Public Works Director, Chal Martin, said that a meeting was held with Puget Sound Energy (PSE) yesterday regarding the water rights issue. The purpose of that meeting was to look at the possibility of solving the flood storage problem. It was learned that PSE is operating the Baker Dam project under an interim agreement, which is expected to be in place until at least 2008 so that modifications to the dam can be made. Mr. Martin said there were no conclusions at the end of the meeting.

A lengthy discussion ensued followed by the Board agreeing that ultimately, they are responsible for the health and safety of the public. Commissioner Dahlstedt suggested that the Board pass a resolution supporting the flood storage issue.

Commissioner Munks said this is a critical issue that has been discussed since the 1920's. It is time to reach an agreement that benefits all the citizens of Skagit County.

Chairman Anderson advised the public to drop a note to PSE and let them know how they feel about flood storage. He said the County will fight the battle with all the tools that are necessary.

Commissioner Dahlstedt motioned to have Skagit County take all the necessary steps to insure water rights for all the citizens now and in the future. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Munks and carried with a unanimous vote.

Commissioner Dahlstedt added that the Skagit River is one of the biggest rivers on the west coast so it seems pretty ridiculous to be fighting this fight.

PLANNING & PERMIT CENTER – LOU HAFF, INTERIM DIRECTOR

1. Appointment of Members to and Creation of a Master Planned Resort Citizens Advisory Committee.

Assistant Director, Gary Christensen, noted that Interim Director, Lou Haff, is out of the office today on business.

Guy McNally, Planner, stated that three letters of interest from citizens who wish to serve on a Master Planned Resort Citizen Advisory Committee (CAC) were received. The applicants are as follows: Donald R. Clark, Daniel A. Huntington, and Louis H. Requa.

Mr. McNally said it is his understanding that the Board has reviewed the applications. He indicated that although a three-member CAC is unusual, there is no reason to believe that the citizens that responded cannot offer valuable input into the development of Master Planned Resort regulations.

Commissioner Dahlstedt said he would like to see at least two more people on the CAC. He suggested contacting the Skagit County Chamber Executive Directors Association (SCCEDA), asking them to bring forth recommendations for two more members.

Commissioner Munks made a motion to approve a resolution establishing a CAC to address Master Planned Resort development regulations. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date)**

Commissioner Munks also motioned to appoint Don Clark, Daniel Huntington, and Louie Requa to the new Master Planned Resort Citizen Advisory Committee. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dahlstedt and passed with a unanimous vote. **(Resolution to be provided by Staff at a later date)**

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
TUESDAY, JANUARY 13, 2004
PAGE NO. 3**

ADJOURNMENT.

Commissioner Munks made a motion to adjourn the proceedings. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Ted W. Anderson, Chairman

Don Munks, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

JoAnne Giesbrecht, Clerk of the Board
Skagit County Board of Commissioners