

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 30, 2004**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in special session at 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, June 30, 2004, with Commissioners Ted W. Anderson, Don Munks and Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present. The purpose of the meeting was to sign a Settlement Agreement with the Samish Indian Nation, which was approved at the June 28, 2004 meeting.

County Administrator Gary Rowe introduced Ken Hansen, Chairman, Tom Wooten, Vice-Chairman, and Dee Branson, Treasurer of the Samish Indian Nation. Mr. Rowe then outlined the terms of the agreement, which provides the ability for the County to withdraw their appeal of the Tribe's feeder trust application, and for the Tribe to adopt standards that equal or exceed those of the County. This agreement is specific to the Campbell Lake property; however, the Samish Indian Nation would like to development a more extensive agreement with the County for other services such as law enforcement.

Chairman Hansen said that he wished this agreement could have been reach sooner. The goal of the Tribe is to build a healthy, blended, and balanced community. This particular segment marks the ability to build 26 single-family units. He added that this marks a turning point in the relationship between the Samish Indian Nation and Skagit County. He commended Gary Rowe and the Tribe's General Manager Rick Landers for their perseverance to bring this issue forward.

Mr. Wooten and Ms. Branson also expressed their support of the agreement.

The Commissioners each stated that this was a historic day and a first step in a long and positive relationship. They also expressed their appreciation for the work of Gary Rowe and Rick Landers toward reaching this agreement.

Mr. Rowe presented the Settlement Agreement to the parties for signature. He noted that this is an economic development project of \$7-10 million. **(Contract No. C20040277)**

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:

Shirley Knapp, Acting Clerk of the Board