

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2004**

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Work Session – Operations Division Manager/Road District
Maintenance Supervisors
- *T 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Work Session – Flood Awareness Week – Session with U. S. Army Corps
of Engineers
- *T 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Presentation – J. Larry Russell Commemorative Award
- 6:00 p.m. Skagit County Farm Bureau Annual Meeting (The Grand Willow – 17926
Dunbar Road, Mount Vernon)

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, October 26, 2004, with Commissioners Ted W. Anderson, Don Munks and Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

PRESENTATION – J. LARRY RUSSELL COMMEMORATIVE AWARD.

Chairman Anderson introduced Tim Holloran, Director for Senior Services, who voluntarily serves as the Coordinator for Skagit County Special Olympics.

Mr. Holloran provided background information on Special Olympics. Currently there are approximately 200 athletes that participate in the County's program. The program is successful due to ongoing support from volunteers, residents and service organizations. Mr. Holloran introduced Jack Whitmer, who has participated in the Special Olympics for 12 years.

Mr. Holloran spoke about the life of Jimmy Larry Russell and showed several photo's of him. The J. Larry Russell award honors community support for Special Olympics as a tribute to the life and legacy of Mr. Russell, who passed away 8 years ago at the age of 40.

Commissioner Anderson introduced Larry's parents. He shared a personal story and spoke about his friendship and admiration for Larry Russell.

Commissioner Munks read a list of the past recipients of the J. Larry Russell Commemorative Award.

Mr. Holloran announced this years' winners; Polly Phillips, Dottie Moe, and Shirley Brunz. The three women are all strong volunteers in the Special Olympics Program. Each of the award winners expressed their appreciation and spoke about their commitment to Special Olympics.

Commissioner Dahlstedt thanked everyone for attending the presentation ceremony. The award will be placed in the hallway of the Commissioners' new facility. It continues to serve as a tribute to Larry's life and the leadership he provided.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

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Ted W. Anderson, Chairman

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Don Munks, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

JoAnne Giesbrecht, Clerk of the Board
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