

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2006**

- *T 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.** Public Works Department – Chal Martin, Director
1. Presentation – Certificate of Commendation for the Retirement of Gene Nieshe
 2. Discussion/Possible Decision – Establishment of Double Creek Lane as a County Road
 3. Discussion/Possible Decision – Establishment of Emmanuel Lane as a County Road
 4. Submittal – 2004 Annual Bridge Report
 5. Miscellaneous
- *T 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.** Work Session – Review of Draft Request For Proposals (RFP) for Solid Waste System
- *T 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.** Presentation - Burlington-Edison High School Future Farmers of America

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 28, 2006, with Commissioners Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Ted W. Anderson and Don Munks present.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – CHAL MARTIN, DIRECTOR

1. Presentation – Certificate of Commendation for the Retirement of Gene Nieshe.

Cliff Butler, Manager of Maintenance and Road Operations, recalled that Gene Nieshe began working for Skagit County in 1981 as a part-time employee at the Sauk Landfill. Mr. Nieshe transferred to the Road Department in 1989 and worked his way up through the ranks. Mr. Butler said a retirement celebration will be held at the Burlington Road Shop on Thursday, March 30, 2006, at 4:00 p.m.

Commissioner Anderson read the Certificate of Commendation and the Board congratulated Mr. Nieshe and thanked him for his years of dedication to Skagit County.

2. Discussion/Possible Decision – Establishment of Double Creek Lane as a County Road.

3. Discussion/Possible Decision – Establishment of Emmanuel Lane as a County Road.

Public Works Director Chal Martin asked the Commissioners whether or not they wanted to approve the establishment of Double Creek Lane and Emmanuel Lane as County roads after the road design and construction of each met the requirements of the Skagit County Road Standards.

After a lengthy discussion, the Board decided that additional information was needed in order to make a decision. Mr. Martin indicated that he would review the public record and schedule another date for a possible decision.

4. Submittal – 2004 Annual Bridge Report.

Ann Marie Gutwein, Public Works, provided the 2004 Engineer's Bridge Report for Skagit County. She stated that the report satisfies the requirements of WAC 136-20-060. It includes a written resume of the findings of the bridge inspection effort and recommendations for the replacement, repair, or load restrictions for deficient bridges.

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Skagit County has 104 bridges within the County road system, which includes the Guemes Ferry Terminals at Anacortes and Guemes Island. Skagit County staff inspects 92 bridges biennially and two bridges annually.

5. Miscellaneous.

- 1) An amendment was brought forward with GeoEngineers, Inc., which would extend the contract through December 31, 2006. The time extension would allow the Contractor to continue assisting the County with engineering services related to the Cockreham Island Flood Hazard Reduction Buy-Out Study.

Commissioner Anderson motioned to approve the amendment as presented. Commissioner Munks seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Amendment No. A20060024)**

- 2) Mr. Martin raised the idea of modifying existing statutes, which would allow the Commissioners to establish their own ferry district. He said he would pursue the thought further.

WORK SESSION – REVIEW OF DRAFT REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR SOLID WASTE SYSTEM.

A work session was held in response to a request made on behalf of the Mayors of Mount Vernon, Burlington, Sedro-Woolley and Anacortes. The discussion was in regard to the draft Request for Proposals – Solid Waste System Operations, Solid Waste Management Plan and tipping fees.

PRESENTATION – BURLINGTON-EDISON HIGH SCHOOL FUTURE FARMERS OF AMERICA.

Members of Future Farmers of America from Burlington-Edison High School came before the Commissioners to debate the pros and cons of eminent domain.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Staff brought forth a Personal Services Agreement with Don Slack, M.D. to provide services as the Medical Program Director for Skagit County and direct, delegate and participate in the supervision and medical control of Advanced Life Support (ALS) and Basic Life Support (BLS) Emergency Medical Services (EMS) qualified personnel of Skagit County.

Commissioner Anderson motioned to approve the contract as presented. Commissioner Munks seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Contract No. C20060157)**

ADJOURNMENT.

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

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Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chairman

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Ted W. Anderson, Commissioner

Don Munks, Commissioner

ATTEST:

JoAnne Giesbrecht, Clerk of the Board
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