

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2006**

- 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. Executive Session – Personnel, Litigation and Land Acquisition
- *T 10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Closed Record Hearing for Preliminary Plat Approval for the Plat of Avalon Heights (PL05-0650) Submitted by Jerry Hammer
- 10:15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Executive Session – Personnel, Litigation and Land Acquisition
- *T 10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Proclamation – Anacortes Jazz Festival – September 15-17, 2006
- *T 10:45 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Discussion/Possible Action – Resolution Authorizing an Advisory Vote on Fluoridation
- *T 11:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Department Head Meeting
1. Recognition of the Skagit County Employee Recognition Committee (SCERC)
 2. Introduction of Interim Public Works Director Gene Sampley
 3. Discussion – Skagit County and United Way Campaign
 4. Domestic Violence Grant Awarded to the Skagit County Prosecutor's Office
- 1:00 p.m. -4:30 p.m. National Incident Management System (NIMS) Training (Skagit County Administration Building, Mount Vernon)

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

CLOSED RECORD HEARING FOR PRELIMINARY PLAT APPROVAL FOR THE PLAT OF AVALON HEIGHTS (PL05-0650) SUBMITTED BY JERRY HAMMER.

Marge Swint, Associate Planner, indicated that the Preliminary Plat Approval for the Plat of Avalon Heights (PL05-0650) submitted by Jerry Hammer would develop approximately 77 acres into a 12-lot land division through the CaRD process. The proposal includes 11 (1) acre lots for residential development and one 66+acre lot designated as Open Space. Approximately 29.9 acres will be designated as Open Space-Natural Resource Land, with 6.4 acres of a Category 3 wetland placed in a Protected Critical Area and 29.7 acres designated as Open Space-Recreation/Amenities.

The proposed project is located adjacent to 7891 F & S Grade Road, Sedro-Woolley, Washington; within a portion of the SE ¼ of the NW ¼ and NE ¼ and the NW ¼ of the SW ¼ in Section 10, Township 35 North, Range 04 East, W.M. Skagit County WA.

Ms. Swint said the Skagit County Hearing Examiner along with Planning and Development Services recommend approval of the Preliminary Plat of Avalon Heights #PL05-0650.

Donald Mann, 7524 Delvin Hill Road, Sedro-Woolley, and Ron Chamberlain, 7594 Delvin Hill Road, Sedro-Woolley, spoke of their concerns about the possible adverse affects on their own water supplies from the use of the subdivision's wells. They also expressed concern about how measures to insure that system water withdrawals do not exceed 5,000 per day would be implemented.

David Hough spoke on behalf of the Hammer family regarding water supplies that the development would use.

Following a brief discussion and further clarification, Commissioner Anderson made by Commissioner Anderson to approve a resolution authorizing the Preliminary Plat Application for the Plat of Avalon

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Heights (PL05-0650) submitted by Jerry Hammer. Commissioner Munks seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

PROCLAMATION – ANACORTES JAZZ FESTIVAL – SEPTEMBER 15-17, 2006.

Commissioner Munks read a proclamation declaring September 15-17, 2006, as Anacortes Jazz Festival Week.

DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION – RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN ADVISORY VOTE ON FLUORIDATION.

County Administrator Gary Rowe brought forth a resolution calling for an advisory vote by registered voters within Public Utility District (PUD) #1 of the Skagit County Judy Reservoir service area on fluoridation of the public water supply. The following advisory question would be placed on the November, 2006 ballot:

Shall the Skagit County Public Utility District No. 1 Judy Reservoir water supply be fluoridated, in accordance with the standards established in WAC 246-290-460?

Commissioner Anderson motioned to approve the resolution as outlined by Mr. Rowe. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Munks and passed with a unanimous vote. **(Resolution No. R20060319)**

Robbie Robertson, PUD Commissioner, questioned the areas that would be affected. Mr. Rowe indicated that the measure will be placed on the November ballot only in the precincts served by Judy Reservoir.

DEPARTMENT HEAD MEETING

1. Recognition of the Skagit County Employee Recognition Committee (SCERC).

Commissioner Dahlstedt thanked the members of the Skagit County Employee Recognition Committee (SCERC) for all their hard work this past year.

Deblyne Whittlesey spoke about the mission statement of the SCERC. Plaques were handed out to each member of the Committee, which include: Ms. Whittlesey, JoAnne Giesbrecht, Janice Proper, Marge Swint, Cheryl Peterson, Sharon Kirkman, Judy Rantschler, Leslie Carty and Patti Worl.

Commissioners Munks and Anderson also expressed their gratefulness to the Committee for building camaraderie among the employees of Skagit County.

2. Introduction of Interim Public Works Director Gene Sampley.

Gary Rowe introduced Interim Public Works Director Gene Sampley. Mr. Sampley has more than 32 years of experience in municipal engineering and public works management. He previously served as Skagit County Public Works Director from 1978 to 1987. He also held the position of Director of Public Works and Utilities for the City of Bremerton, Washington from 1995 to 2004.

Mr. Rowe also announced the marriage of Andrea Fitzpatrick (Vallez), Director of Mediation Services. He also introduced Don McMoran as the newest addition to Washington State University Cooperative Extension. Bob Hicks, Youth & Family Services, was welcomed back to the Department, replacing Jere LaFollette who recently accepted a position with Skagit Valley College.

3. Discussion – Skagit County and United Way Campaign.

Dan Berentson introduced Paul Chaplik, Executive Director of United Way in Skagit County. Mr. Chaplik indicated that \$830,000 was raised last year for food, shelter, disaster relief, day care, crisis intervention, medical and dental support and youth development for 30 local programs. On a national level, more than \$4 billion is raised each year to help solve these kinds of problems. This year the goal is \$850,000.

Mr. Chaplik showed the 2006 United Way Campaign video.

4. Domestic Violence Grant Awarded to the Skagit County Prosecutor's Office.

Ed Norton, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney, announced that the United States Department of Justice Office on Violence Against Women has awarded a grant of \$399,602 to Skagit County. The new grant funds will allow the County to continue its ongoing successful efforts to reduce domestic violence in Skagit County. Recent statistics indicate that these programs have significantly reduced the incidence of domestic violence Countywide.

According to Mr. Norton, the Task Force applying for the grant funding was led by representatives from Skagit County Prosecuting Attorney Tom Segune's office.

5. Miscellaneous.

Mr. Rowe spoke briefly about the letter sent to the Department Heads/Elected Officials regarding the budget review schedule.

Parks and Recreation Director Bob Vaux gave an update on renovations made to the Howard Miller Steelhead Park boat launch.

Fair Manager Audrey Smith informed the Commissioners of the gate receipts and attendance numbers for the 2006 Skagit County Fair.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chairman

Ted W. Anderson, Commissioner

Don Munks, Commissioner

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ATTEST:

JoAnne Giesbrecht, Clerk of the Board
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