

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 27, 2007**

- *T 9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. Work Session – Northwest Hydraulic Consultants (NHC) Presentation on the Results of the Skagit River Hydrology and Hydraulics Independent Technical Review Draft Report
- *T 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Planning & Development Services – Gary Christensen, Director
1. Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund:
 - A. Resolution Authorizing Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund for \$2,000,000 and Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology Grant Fund for \$247,000 for the Repair of Failing On-Site Septic Systems
 - B. Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund Grant for \$247,000 for the Repair of Failing On-Site Septic Systems
 - C. Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund for \$2,000,000 for the Repair of On-Site Septic Systems
 2. Miscellaneous
- *T 11:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Public Hearing - To Consider Testimony Regarding the Intent to Lease County Property Identified as 60862 Cascade River Road, Marblemount
- *T 11:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Retirement Presentation for Emergency Management Director Tom Sheahan
- *T 1:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. Board Presentation of Certification of Commendation to Janice Marlega
- *T 1:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Recognition of the Sedro-Woolley High School Wrestling Team

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 27, 2007, with Commissioners Sharon D. Dillon, Don Munks and Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

WORK SESSION – NORTHWEST HYDRAULIC CONSULTANTS (NHC) PRESENTATION ON THE RESULTS OF THE SKAGIT RIVER HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULICS INDEPENDENT TECHNICAL REVIEW DRAFT REPORT.

Torey Nelson, Engineering Tech for Surface Water Management, Public Works, acknowledged Larry Kunzler for the research he has performed and for providing documents necessary for this study.

Malcolm Leytham, President of Northwest Hydraulic Consultants, presented the Skagit River Hydrology Independent Technical Review Draft Report.

The report was a result of a resolution the Commissioners signed on April 10, 2006, which directed Public Works to contract with a qualified technical consultant to analyze the unrecorded historic flood estimates and produce a report, targeting completion prior to the start of the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Maps appeal period. That appeal period is set to happen sometime this summer, after FEMA provides local communities its new flood insurance rate maps based on the US Army Corps of Engineers estimates of the Skagit River's flood risks.

The Commissioners thanked Dr. Leytham for his report and all agreed they found it very interesting.

MISCELLANEOUS.

1. Commissioner Munks motioned to approve an emergency resolution effective March 27, 2007, at 8:00 a.m. authorizing the expenditure of funds as required to review damage and take corrective actions in flooded areas of the Skagit River Basin, including areas along the south bank of the Skagit River in eastern Skagit County, including Mill Creek, and in other areas flooded by tributaries of the Skagit and Samish Rivers. Also, Day Creek, at their confluence, are out of their banks and causing general flooding in the vicinity resulting in damage to private property.

Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. R20070177)**

2. Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by R.C.W. 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by R.C.W. 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the Board.

As of this date, March 27, 2007, the Board by majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:

Warrant numbered 245744 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$20,000 (Transmittal No. C-47-07).

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – GARY CHRISTENSEN, DIRECTOR

1. **Consideration and Possible Action Regarding Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund:**

Allison Mohns, Environmental Specialist, explained that on June 30, 1993, Resolution No. 14927 was adopted providing Skagit County the opportunity to apply and receive low interest Revolving Loan Funds for the purpose of repairing failing On-Site Septic systems.

On March 27, 1995, Ordinance No. 15708 was adopted to improve the impacts of non-point pollution affecting the water quality within areas of Skagit County and to establish a Skagit County Clean Water (Shellfish Protection) District to accomplish the mandates of RCW 90.72 “to protect and improve the water quality in shellfish growing areas”.

Ms. Mohns said Skagit County has successfully applied for and received Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Funds for the previous twelve years to repair failing On-Site Septic systems. The County successfully applied for loan funds in the total amount of \$2,000,000 for Fiscal Year 2007. The County also successfully applied for Washington State Department of Ecology Water Quality Grant Funds in the total amount of \$247,000 for Fiscal Year 2007.

Ms. Mohns asked the Commissioners to sponsor and accept, on behalf of the citizens of Skagit County the following:

- A. Resolution Authorizing Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund for \$2,000,000 and Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology Grant Fund for \$247,000 for the Repair of Failing On-Site Septic Systems

Commissioner Munks motioned and Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the approval of a resolution, as outlined by Ms. Mohns. The motion passed with a unanimous vote. **(Resolution No. R20070178)**

- B. Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund Grant for \$247,000 for the Repair of Failing On-Site Septic Systems

A motion was made and seconded by Commissioners Munks and Dahlstedt to accept the contract for \$247,000, as outlined by Ms. Mohns. The motion passed unanimously. **(Contract No. C20070200)**

- C. Contract for Washington State Department of Ecology State Revolving Loan Fund for \$2,000,000 for the Repair of On-Site Septic Systems

A motion was made by Commissioner Munks and seconded by Commissioner Dahlstedt to accept a loan in the amount of \$2 million for the repair of On-Site Septic systems, as outlined by Ms. Mohns, which passed unanimously. **(Contract No. C20070201)**

2. Miscellaneous.

Gary Christensen, Planning and Development Services Director, gave a briefing on the following miscellaneous items:

- Skagit County Island Builder's Association Home Show
- Level of services in Planning and Development Services
- Departmental Retreat on May 11, 2007, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Padilla Bay Interpretive Center
- Critical Area Ordinance Update Public Comment Period
- Growth Management Act Update on Comp Plan and Development Regulations
- Bayview Ridge Stormwater Management Plan

PUBLIC HEARING – TO CONSIDER TESTIMONY REGARDING THE INTENT TO LEASE COUNTY PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS 60862 CASCADE RIVER ROAD, MARBLEMOUNT.

Suzanne Gilbert, Director of Facilities, stated that the Board of County Commissioners received a request to lease a County owned building located at 60862 Cascade River, Town of Marblemount, by the Skagit/Island County United Veterans Network. Ms. Gilbert indicated that the organization has submitted the proper application and has met the necessary requirements.

Chair Dillon opened the public hearing.

Bob Garrison, President of the United Veterans Network said the project was started approximately six years ago. Over 2,000 veterans of the community have been assisted in various ways, including medical needs, financial needs and housing needs over the years.

There being no further public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Munks motioned to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Commissioner Dahlstedt and passed. The public hearing was closed.

It was moved and seconded by Commissioners Munks and Dahlstedt to sign a resolution approving Skagit/Island County United Veterans Network's application to lease the County owned building, as outlined. The motion carried. **(Resolution No. R20070179)**

RETIREMENT PRESENTATION FOR EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR TOM SHEAHAN.

The Commissioners recognized Tom Sheahan for 38 years of service to Skagit County. He also received recognition from the American Red Cross, Tesoro Refinery, CARE, the Town of Hamilton and others, topped off by a PowerPoint presentation highlighting his career. Compiled by his daughter, the presentation covered floods, fires, refineries, Search & Rescue, Red Cross and family.

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BOARD PRESENTATION OF CERTIFICATION OF COMMENDATION TO JANICE MARLEGA.

The Commissioners presented a Certificate of Commendation to Janice Marlega of the Public Works Department. Ms. Marlega is leaving Skagit County employment to pursue other interests. Her dates of employment are July 13, 1998, to March 31, 2007.

RECOGNITION OF THE SEDRO-WOLLEY HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING TEAM.

The Commissioners proclaimed Tuesday, March 27, 2007, as Sedro-Woolley High School Wrestling Team Day in Skagit County in honor of their six consecutive championship wins. Wrestling Coach Jay Breckenridge introduced each team member and noted that the number of consecutive wins is a record for Washington State.

ADJOURNMENT.

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

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Sharon D. Dillon, Chair

Don Munks, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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