

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2007**

- 8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Groundbreaking Ceremony – Sedro-Woolley City Hall
- *T 9:30 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Work Session – Flood Control Policy Initiatives and Merging Flood Control/Salmon Restoration Efforts
- *T 10:15 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Public Works Department – W. Eugene Sampley, P.E., Director/County Engineer
1. Commendation Presentation – Susan D. Esary
 2. Discussion – Port of Skagit County Request Regarding Higgins Airport Way
 3. Update – Joint Skagit/Snohomish County Sauk River Study
 4. Miscellaneous

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 17, 2007, with Commissioners Sharon D. Dillon, Don Munks and Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

WORK SESSION – FLOOD CONTROL POLICY INITIATIVES AND MERGING FLOOD CONTROL/SALMON RESTORATION EFFORTS.

Ric Boge, Surface Water Manager, conducted a work session to provide an update on the status of implementing its policy directive regarding flood control initiatives and discuss emerging policy issues not included in that directive, such as merging flood control with salmon recovery efforts.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT – W. EUGENE SAMPLEY, P.E., DIRECTOR/COUNTY ENGINEER.

1. Commendation Presentation – Susan D. Esary.

Public Works Director Gene Sampley recognized Susan D. Esary of the Accounting Department for nearly 19 years of service to the County.

Commissioner Munks presented Ms. Esary with a plaque in recognition of her public service.

2. Discussion – Port of Skagit County Request Regarding Higgins Airport Way.

Mr. Sampley discussed a request from the Port of Skagit County asking the County to take over the northern portion of Higgins Airport Way that is currently owned by the Port. Because of the way it is being used, it would seem more appropriate for the County to own it. The road is in need of repairs, which will be funded by the Port prior to turning it over to the County.

3. Update – Joint Skagit/Snohomish County Sauk River Study.

Surface Water Manager Ric Boge introduced colleagues from Snohomish County Surface Water Management and spoke of the progress made thus far on the joint Skagit/Snohomish County Sauk River Study.

Following a brief discussion, Mr. Boge said it is the staff's recommendation to support this joint-county, multi-stakeholder planning process for the development of a comprehensive flood hazard management plan for the Sauk River.

Chair Dillon noted that people forget that the Sauk River feeds into the Skagit River, and personally believes this project needs to move forward. "If we don't have a handle on the Sauk, then we don't have a handle on the Skagit," said Dillon, who would like to see this process completed by 2009.

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
TUESDAY, APRIL 17, 2007
PAGE NO. 2**

4. Miscellaneous.

There were no miscellaneous Public Works items to report.

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