

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2007**

- \*T 9:00 a.m. Continuation of Public Hearing – Consideration of Vacation of the Northern 430’ of Samish Point Road, No. 39600, Off of Samish Island Road
- \*T 9:00 a.m. Decision – Consideration of Vacation of 1312.28’ of the North End of the Primitive Portion of Medford Road, No. 94710
- \*T 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. Planning & Development Services – Gary Christensen, Director  
1. Status of Open Space Plan Progress Report Continued from May 21, 2007.  
2. Miscellaneous
- \*T 11:00 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Presentation – Washington State University Cooperative Extension  
12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m. RSVP Recognition Luncheon (McIntyre Hall - Mount Vernon)
- \*T 1:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Solid Waste Municipalities Meeting

The Skagit County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 5, 2007, with Commissioners Sharon D. Dillon, Don Munks and Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

**CONTINUATION OF PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDERATION OF VACATION OF THE NORTHERN 430’ OF SAMISH POINT ROAD, NO. 39600, OFF OF SAMISH ISLAND ROAD.**

Dave Sheridan, Engineering Manager for Public Works, indicated this public hearing is a continuation of a public hearing previously held on May 29, 2007.

Chair Dillon noted a letter received by the petitioner Herb and Teresa Goldston withdrawing the petition to vacate the northern 430’ of Samish Point Road, No. 39600.

Commissioner Munks read a portion of the letter and motioned to close the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Dahlstedt and passed. The hearing was closed.

**DECISION – CONSIDERATION OF VACATION OF 1312.28’ OF THE NORTH END OF THE PRIMITIVE PORTION OF MEDFORD ROAD, NO. 94710.**

Mr. Sheridan reviewed the vacation petition by Cowboy Campsite LLC of 1312.28’ of the north end of Morford Road, No. 94710, which is a primitive portion.

Following several questions posed by the Commissioners, including gate placement and the condition of the road, the Board decided to gather further information prior to their decision scheduled for Tuesday, June 12, 2007, at 9:00 a.m.

Commissioner Munks motioned to delay a decision contingent upon notifying the property owner of the County’s request to recover the money recently spent on chip sealing a portion of Medford Road. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT SERVICES – GARY CHRISTENSEN, DIRECTOR**

**1. Status of Open Space Plan Progress Report Continued From May 21, 2007.**

Jeroldine Hallberg, Senior Planner, stated the County, in partnership with the Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG), was awarded a \$75,000 competitive grant last fall from the Washington State Department of Community Trade and Economic Development (WA CTED). The purpose of the grant is to develop a Countywide open space plan. The focus of the plan is open space and greenbelts within and between unincorporated urban growth areas, so the Department has been working under the guidance of the SCOG planners group.

Tom Beckwith of Beckwith Consultants of La Conner said he was hired to develop the draft plan. Mr. Beckwith discussed the work to date in great detail.

Ms. Hallberg said a small portion of the grant is being used to fund open space and habitat restoration planning by the Hamilton Public Development Authority for the Skagit River floodway in the Town of Hamilton and in the broader region between Sedro-Woolley and Concrete. The contest for this work is the proposed removal over time of up to 400 structures from the Skagit River floodway as part of the proposed Hamilton relocation effort.

The floodway open space and habitat restoration plan will look at issues including: removal of existing structures; developing a habit restoration plan and priorities; identifying public open space, including areas for public access and appropriate recreational activities; and coordination with the broader Countywide open space planning effort.

Consultant Curt Miller presented the Hamilton open space and restoration plan to the Commissioners.

**2. Miscellaneous.**

- a) Betsy Stephenson, Senior Planner, introduced the Department's newest Associate Planner, David Nellis. Mr. Nellis said he graduated from Western Washington University in 2004, with a degree in Environmental Studies. He said he was happy to be a part of the team and Ms. Stephenson said she was happy to have him.
- b) Director Gary Christensen said during a Growth Management Act Steering Committee meeting, the consensus was to have staff draft a letter to Washington State Senators and Legislators to assure that municipal annexations and urban growth occur in a timely, efficient, and orderly manner.

According to Mr. Christensen, the draft was presented to SCOG planners last Friday. They in turn will take it back to their respective jurisdictions. He anticipates the draft will be on the SCOG agenda later this month.

**PRESENTATION – WASHINGTON STATE UNIVERSITY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION.**

Director of Washington State University Extension Ned Zaugg and staff members updated the Commissioners with regard to programs and services their Department offers.

**SOLID WASTE MUNICIPALITIES MEETING.**

A work session was held with several representatives from various municipalities regarding solid waste.

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**ADJOURNMENT.**

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

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Sharon D. Dillon, Chair

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Don Munks, Commissioner

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Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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