

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, JUNE 30, 2009**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 30, 2009, with Commissioners Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Sharon D. Dillon, and Ron Wesen present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Dahlstedt called the proceedings to order at 8:02 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Dahlstedt led the gallery in the salute to flag.

III. AGENDA:

A. 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Planning & Development Services - Gary Christensen, Director

1. Discussion - Bayview Ridge Subarea Implementation Plan

Gary Christensen, Director, introduced Ron Greeno, the Project Manager from HDR Engineering. Mr. Greeno presented an overview of the current status of the Bayview Ridge Subarea Plan and identified the phases needed to complete implementation of the plan.

Commissioner Dahlstedt stated he was concerned about the length of time it would take to implement the plan.

Bob Powell, Managing Principal of the Burlington Office of HDR Engineering, discussed several aspects of the design and infrastructure of the project.

Commissioner Wesen addressed the agricultural community's concerns regarding the stormwater system.

Mr. Christensen commented on the reason for the delays of the project, and financial aspects of the project. Mr. Christensen suggested the County could develop some public/private partnership to meet some of the financial obligations of the project.

2. Discussion/Possible Action - 2009 Department Long Range/Legislative Work Program and Amendment to Resolution No. R20080573 Establishing the 2008 Docket of Comprehensive Plan Land Use/Zoning Map and Policy Amendments

Mr. Christensen discussed the 2009 department's long range/legislative work program. He stated the department is currently working on three legislative work programs, which include:

1. Miscellaneous Code Amendments (Unified Development Code, (UDC));
2. Open Space Concept Plan;and
3. Sanfi Acres.

He went on to say the department has continued to work on the Skagit Alternative Futures project. Mr. Christensen proposed the department focus on the Guemes Island Sub-Area Plan, Master Planned Resort (MPR) Policy and Associated Regulatory Amendments.

Commissioner Dillon discussed the possibility of moving forward with the three individual re-designation map requests from the 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket.

Mr. Christensen commented on the challenges to complete the three individual projects. He stated the fees paid by the individuals can be used to hire consultants but staff time will be needed to process the requests.

Kirk Johnson, Senior Planner, suggested the three individual map amendments could be completed and adopted before the end of the year.

The Commissioners agreed to postpone making a decision on this item until further notice.

3. Discussion - Washington Department of Ecology Grant Award and Announcement - Centennial Clean Water Program; and Shoreline Master Program Update

Betsy Stevenson, Senior Planner, stated the County has received up to \$2,000,000 from the Revolving Loan program for septic systems repairs from the State of Washington Department of Ecology.

Ms. Stevenson reported there is funding available from the Department of Ecology that would assist in updating the County's Shoreline Master Program.

4. Miscellaneous

There were no miscellaneous items for Planning and Development Services to discuss.

- B. 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Public Hearing/Possible Action - Consideration of the Abolishment and Distribution of Assets of the Dunbar Sub-Flood Control Zone

Jan Flagan, Assistant Surface Water Manager, provided a brief history of the Dunbar Sub-Flood Control Zone. Ms. Flagan indicated the zoned properties are all within the Mount Vernon Urban Growth Area.

Commissioner Dahlstedt opened the public hearing at 9:16 a.m.

William Handy of 17737 State Route 536 in Mount Vernon said he had no objections to abolishing the Dunbar Sub-Flood Control Zone.

Seeing no further public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Dillon made a

motion to close the public hearing at 9:18 a.m.. Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve the Resolution regarding the abolishment and distribution of assets of the Dunbar Sub-Flood Control Zone. (**Resolution No. R20090284**) Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion, which passed unanimously.

Chairman Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 9:20 a.m.

C. 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Work Session - Public Works Construction Projects for 2009

Chairman Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 9:30 a.m.

George Dragseth, Project Manager, explained his projects for 2009 are as follows:

1. Best Road and McLean Road Roundabout and Lighting, construction completion date is expected to be in August 1, 2009;
2. Anderson-LaVenture: Blackburn to Fowler, construction completion date is expected to be November or December of 2009;
3. Anderson-LaVenture: Blodgett to Cederdale, construction completion is expected to be in the Fall of 2009;
4. Guemes Island Ferry Dock Dolphins; construction completion is expected to be in the Fall of 2009. and
5. Guemes Ferry Terminal Building, construction completion date is expected to be in the Fall of 2009.

Mike Farthing, Project Manager, explained his construction projects are as follows:

1. North Green Street Drainage, construction completion date is expected to be on August 1, 2009;
2. Blue Heron, construction completion date is expected to be on September 1, 2009;
3. Pipeline Creek, construction completion date is expected to be on August 31, 2009;
4. Edison Drainage (near town pond), construction completion date is expected to be on September 15, 2009;
5. South Similk Beach Pump Station, construction completion date is expected to be on September 30, 2009;
6. SR 9 South of Brigham Lane Drainage, construction completion date is expected to be on September 21, 2009;
7. Carpenter Road Culvert Replacement, construction completion date is expected to be on September 30, 2009.

Jennifer Swanson, Project Manager, explained her projects are as follows:

1. 2009 Asphalt Overlay Project (Ovenell and Best Roads), construction completion date is expected to be on July 27, 2009;
2. Fruitdale Road and McGarigle Road Improvements and SR 9 Pedestrian/Bicycle Safety Improvement Projects, construction completion date is expected to be in the Summer of 2009;

3. La Conner 2009 Maple Avenue Resurfacing, construction completion date is expected to be in the Summer of 2009;
4. Skagit County Concrete Shop Complex, construction completion date is expected to be in the Summer of 2009.

David Walde, Project Manger, explained his construction projects are as follows:

1. Guemes Ferry Holding Lane Extension, construction completion date is expected to be on July 30, 2009;
2. Turner Creek Culvert Replacement, construction completion date is expected to be in 2010;
3. Conrad Road Flood Damage Repair, construction completion date is expected to be in late 2009 or early 2010;
4. Sauk Prairie Road/Gravel Creek Fish Passage, construction completion date is expected to be on September 30, 2009;
5. Schoolhouse Slough Culvert Replacement, construction completion date is expected to be on September 30, 2009;
6. Bridge Debris Removal, construction completion date is expected to be on June 30, 2010;
7. Parson Creek Road Slide Repair, construction completion date is expected to be on October 31, 2009;
8. Friday Creek Slide Repair, construction completion date is expected to be on construction completion date is expected to be on October 31, 2009;
9. Large Woody Debris Purchase, construction completion date is expected to be on September 30, 2009.

The Commissioners thanked Public Works for the update.

- D. 10:30 a.m. - 10:45 a.m. Discussion/Possible Action - Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between Skagit County and the City of Anacortes for a Compost Demonstration Site at the 29th Street Community Garden

Mr. Sheridan stated the Interlocal Cooperative Agreement between Skagit County and the City of Anacortes for a Compost Site at the 29th Street Community Garden has been postponed for until further notice.

Chairman Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 10:34 a.m.

- E. 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Discussion/Possible Action - Closed Record Public Meeting for the Preliminary Plat Approval for the Plat of Ambleside (PL07-0680) Submitted by Race Bannon Ventures, LLC

Chairman Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 11:00 a.m.

Marge Swint, Senior Planner, stated the project is a preliminary plat request for the Plat of Ambleside to develop approximately 65.5 acres into seven lots through the Conservation and Reserve Development (CaRD) process. The proposal includes six one-acre lots for residential development and one approximately 60-acre lot designated as open space.

She went on to say approximately 33 acres of the open space are protected critical areas. A private internal plat road, individual wells, and on site septic will serve the project.

Ms. Swint stated the proposed project is located at 5525 Guemes Island Road, Anacortes.

Following a brief discussion, Commissioner Dillon made a motion to grant preliminary approval of the Plat of Ambleside (PL07-0680), submitted by Race Bannon Ventures, LLC. Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion, which passed unanimously. **(Resolution No. R20090285)**

Chairman Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 11:21 a.m.

F. 11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Public Comment Period

Chairman Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 11:30 a.m.

The following members of the public urged to the Commissioners to allow more time for the public to comment on the Comprehensive Plan Amendments and to postpone the Planning Commission meeting scheduled for June 30, 2009; Kim Mower of 35658 Lyman Hamilton Hwy. in Sedro-Woolley, representing the Agricultural Advisory Board; Allen Rozema of 17660 Dike Road in Mount Vernon, representing Skagitonians to Preserve Farmland; David Chamberlain of 14348 Hidden Ridge Lane of Bow, and Chair of the Forest Advisory Board; Carolyn Kelley of 2021 East College in Mount Vernon, representing the Skagit Conservation District; Mike Shelby of 2017 Continental Place in Mount Vernon, representing the Western Washington Agricultural Association; Aubrey Stargell of Maple Falls and a member of the Forestry Advisory Board.

William Stiles III of 601 Virginia Avenue in Mount Vernon, and Chairman of the Planning Commission stated he would take the comments under advisement. Mr. Stiles also commented on the 2008 Comprehensive Plan Amendment Docket.

The public comment period closed at 11:48 a.m.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chairman Dahlstedt adjourned the proceedings at 11:48 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chairman

Sharon D. Dillon, Commissioner

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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