

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, APRIL 27, 2010**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 27, 2010, with Commissioners Sharon D. Dillon, and Ron Wesen present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Dillon called the proceedings to order at 8:01 a.m.

Commissioner Dahlstedt's absence was excused.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Dillon led the gallery in the salute to the flag.

III. AGENDA:

a) 8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Planning and Development Services - Gary Christensen - Director:

1. Discussion - 2010 Legislative Work Program Update

Gary Christensen, Director, provided the following status report and updated the Board on Planning and Development Services Legislative Work Program for 2010:

1. Bayview Ridge Urban Growth Area (UGA) Implementation - draft ordinance will be available in July 2010.
2. Guemes Island Subarea Plan - County Commissioners will consider recommendations and take action before the end of the year.
3. Master Plan Resort/RV Park Standards - County Commissioners will consider recommendations and take action before the end of the year.
4. Alternative Futures - completion of initial model (four scenarios and indicators), and evaluation of modeling results, is scheduled for July and August. During fall of 2010 and through spring 2011, the citizens committee will review, evaluate, and recommend preferred alternative; then provide information to the GMA Steering Committee and other policy bodies.
5. Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Update - develop a program update scope of work and timeline by July and obtain Department of Ecology approval and grant funds. Betsy Stevenson, Senior Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Shoreline Master Program.

6. Skagit County Capital Facilities Plan (CFP) - there is a meeting scheduled on April 29, 2010, between the County Administrative Services; Budget and Finance; and Planning and Development Services staff to discuss the next steps. There will be an update of CFP for school impact fees by July. The County Commissioners are to consider recommendations and take action on the revised school impact fees. Preparation of the six-year CFP update is scheduled concurrent with 2011 County budget adoption in December 2010.
7. Annual Skagit County Code (SCC) - batched code amendments will be completed in the fall, unless, expedited amendment is necessary.
8. Comprehensive Plan Amendment (CPA) 2010 Docket Amendments - petitions to be submitted by the last business of July. After petitions have been submitted, the Department will provide recommendations for the Board of County Commissioners to establish a docket.
9. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate (FIRM) Map & Regulation - updated and revised FIRM is expected to be released this year. Following that, public review and comment; potential appeals, Planning Commission will hold a public hearing; and the County Commissioners will consider recommendations and take action.
10. Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Biological Opinion (BiOp) - Tier one jurisdictions (Skagit County and cities/towns) must adopt regulator scheme by September 9, 2010, pursuant to BiOP and FEMA guidelines. FEMA is expected to respond to NMFS BiOP with a workshop on May 4, 2010.
11. National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit - interim Ordinance No. O2009008 was adopted in August 2009. The Planning Commission held a public hearing on permanent regulations on March 3, 2010, and deliberations will occur on May 4, 2010; following that, the County Commissioners will consider recommendations and take possible action.

The Commissioners thanked staff for their hard work and dedication.

2. Miscellaneous

Bill Dowe, Deputy Director, provided an update on project development review timelines.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 8:47 a.m.

- b) 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Discussion - Alternative Futures Project Update/Work Session

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 9:31 a.m.

Kirk Johnson, Senior Planner, provided the Commissioners with a schedule of the Alternative Futures Project. Mr. Johnson explained that during April 2010 to June 2010 staff will be working with the Steering and Technical Committees to develop the Skagit land use model scenarios and indicators. He explained the Skagit model projects the potential effects of different future scenarios on the Skagit landscape. He said the model, which has four scenarios, will be brought before the Commissioners by the summer of 2010.

Mr. Johnson went on to discuss the formation criteria of the citizens' advisory committee. The Commissioners stated that the citizens' advisory committee should include members that are open-minded, willing to compromise, and have diverse backgrounds. Commissioner Wesen said it is important that the committee be comprised of citizens that live in Skagit County. Chair Dillon said a distinction should be made between paid elected officials and non-paid.

The Commissioners will hold further discussions and possibly take action on the structure and selection of members for the Alternative Futures Citizens' Committee on Tuesday, May 4, 2010, at 2:00 p.m.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Johnson for agreeing to take on this project.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 10:07 a.m.

- c) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Presentation of Certification of Commendation to Ron Panzero

Thomas G. Ballard, Interim Public Works Director, stated that after 22 years with Skagit County in the Ferry Operations Division, Ron Panzero has accepted a position with the King County Department of Transportation Marine Division.

Commissioner Wesen read and presented Guemes Ferry Manager Ron Panzero with a Certificate of Commendation in recognition of the dedicated public service he has rendered for Skagit County.

- d) 11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Public Comment Period

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 11:30 a.m.

Consuelo Guandique of 901 South 21st Place in Mount Vernon invited the Commissioners to the 23rd Annual Farm Worker Solidarity March, taking place on Sunday, May 2, 2010. The march starts at 10 a.m. at Maiben Park. Ms. Guandique provided a brief history of the March.

The Commissioners said that farm workers are very important to Skagit County.

Seeing no further public comment forthcoming, Chair Dillon closed the public comment period at 11:38 a.m.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 11:37 a.m.

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

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Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Linda Hammons, Clerk of the Board
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