

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY, APRIL 26, 2011**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 26, 2011, with Commissioners Ron Wesen, and Sharon D. Dillon present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Wesen called the proceedings to order at 9:29 a.m.

Commissioner Dahlstedt's absence was excused.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chairman Wesen led the gallery in the salute to the flag.

III. AGENDA:

- a) 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Proclamation - April 24, 2011, through May 1, 2011, as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in Skagit County

Carolyn Kelly, Manager of the Skagit Conservation District, was present and introduced Kristi Carpenter, Public Information and Education Coordinator of the Skagit Conservation District. Ms. Kelly said that the theme for the posters for 2011 was "Forests for People More Than You Can Imagine."

Ms. Carpenter provided a brief background of Soil and Water Stewardship Week. She said that the National Association of Conservation Districts has been celebrating Water and Soil Stewardship Week for 56 years. Ms. Carpenter introduced Blossom, the Treeture, and encouraged everyone to celebrate soil and water stewardship throughout the year.

Cindy Pierce, Youth Education Coordinator, stated that there were 160 poster entries for 2011. She introduced the award winners and presented them with their certificates. The overall winner and category 4-6th grade winner was Claryssa Thomas of Jefferson Elementary, 5th Grade; runner-up winner and category 2-3rd grade winner was Carlos Roques of Edison Elementary, 3rd Grade; category K-1st grade winner was Lexi Loeb of Summersun Montessori, Kindergarten; category 7-9th grade winner was Violet Lanahan, homeschooler, 7th grade; category 10-12th grade winner was Melissa Camacho of Emerson High School, 11th Grade.

Commissioner Dillon read a proclamation declaring April 24, 2011, through May 1, 2011, as Soil and Water Stewardship Week in Skagit County.

Chairman Wesen recessed the proceedings at 9:47 a.m.

- b) 11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Presentation - Certificate of Commendation in Recognition of Doug Withers' Service on the Board of Equalization

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

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Withers for his three years of service on the Board of Equalization.

Commissioner Dillon read the Certificate of Commendation and presented it to Mr. Withers.

Chairman Wesen recessed the proceeding at 11:03 a.m.

- c) 11:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Presentation - People 1st of Skagit County

Chairman Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 11:15 a.m.

Brian Young, Director Skagit 21 Television, was present to introduce David Wilder, President of People 1st of Skagit County. Mr. Young presented a video, which was produced in collaboration with Skagit 21 and People 1st of Skagit County.

Mr. Wilder stated People 1st of Skagit County had vacant positions within their chapter. He said that anyone who was interested in finding out more information could go to the People 1st's website at: <http://www.skagitpeople1st.org>.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Wilder for his many years of volunteer service and helping to educate others about people with disabilities. The Commissioners recognized Mr. Wilder for receiving the Governor's 2011 Award of Excellence for Outstanding Volunteer Service.

Chairman Wesen recessed the proceedings at 11:26 a.m.

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

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

Seeing no public comment forthcoming Chairman Wesen closed the public comment period at 11:31 a.m.

#### IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Dillon sent condolences to the families of Sedro-Woolley Council member Ted Meamber and former County Commissioner Dave Rohrer, who both recently passed away.

Chairman Wesen encouraged everyone to visit the tulip fields and reminded everyone to be cautious around farm vehicles.

Chairman Wesen adjourned the proceedings at 11:34 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Ron Wesen, Chairman

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Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

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Sharon D. Dillon, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Linda Hammons, Clerk of the Board