

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MARCH 26, 2013**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 26, 2013, with Commissioners Sharon D. Dillon, and Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Dillon called the proceedings to order at 9:30 a.m. and excused Commissioner Wesen.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Budget and Finance - Trisha Logue, Director:

Chair Dillon introduced Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue.

1. **Public Hearing/Possible Action: To Consider Testimony Regarding Amending the First Quarter 2013 Skagit County Budget**

Ms. Logue briefed the Commissioners on the proposed changes to the budget, describing each department's reduction or increase.

The Commissioners did not have any questions.

Chair Dillon opened the public hearing at 9:36 a.m. Seeing no one present to give testimony, Commissioner Dahlstedt made a motion to close the public hearing, which was seconded by Chair Dillon. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve the resolution authorizing the first quarter 2013 budget amendment. (**Resolution No. R20130078**)

Chair Dillon seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously. Commissioner Ron Wesen's absence was excused

2. **Miscellaneous**

Ms. Logue did not have any miscellaneous items to discuss. Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 9:37 a.m.

b) 9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Introduction of Records Management Staff - Maria Reyna

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 9:45 a.m.

Records Manager for Skagit County Central Services Cori Russell was present and introduced Maria Reyna who began work for Skagit County on February 11th.

The Commissioners welcomed Ms. Reyna.

Chair Dillon thanked Ms. Russell and Ms. Reyna for coming and recessed the proceedings at 9:49 a.m.

c) 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Presentation: Community Action of Skagit County Annual Report

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 10:01 a.m. and introduced Executive Director Bill Henkel.

Mr. Henkel, Deputy Director Karen Parnell, and Services Division Director Lynn Christofersen briefed the Commissioners on the achievements made by Community Action of Skagit County in 2012 and how they helped people help themselves in many areas of life, some of which included: Veterans assistance, rental assistance and housing, employment, education, literacy, financial stability, health and family stability, food and nutrition assistance, transportation, community voicemail, and energy assistance. Ms. Parnell shared that the Food Distribution Center processed and distributed over 2 million pounds of food to local food banks, hot-meal programs, mobile food express, and other anti-hunger initiatives.

Mr. Henkel said that they had almost 2,000 registered volunteers. Others who were interested could visit www.skagitvounteercenter.org to learn more.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Henkel, Ms. Parnell, and Ms. Christofersen for coming.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 10:31 a.m.

d) **10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Public Hearing/Possible Action: To Consider Testimony Regarding the Application for Public Service Grant Component of the Community Block Grant**

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 10:36 a.m.

Skagit County Community Services Operations Manager Bob Hicks stated that Skagit County had an opportunity to apply for a Community Development Block Grant Public Services funding which would be passed through to Community Action of Skagit County and used for critical needs services at the East County Resource Center.

Community Action Agency Services Division Director Lynn Christofersen said that the East County office served the communities in Concrete, Hamilton, Lyman, Rockport and Marblemount. She indicated that in 2012, they had close to 5,000 requests for help and that the community would benefit from the block grant.

Chair Dillon opened the public hearing at 10:46 a.m., seeing no public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Dahlstedt made a motion to close the public hearing. Chair Dillon seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

The Commissioners said that they supported Skagit County to pursue the block grant for services.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 10:47 a.m.

e) **11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Board of County Commissioners:**

1. **Public Comment Period**

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 11:31 a.m.

Mike Newman of Mount Vernon was present to discuss Envision Skagit 2060 and his concerns with how to pay for it and how to provide 100,000 new people with water.

Kathy Mitchell of Bow was present to discuss the recent Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) meeting which she attended and her concerns about Envision Skagit 2060.

Commissioner Dahlstedt and Dillon discussed the goals of SCOG and explained the work SCOG performs after the census every ten years.

2. Miscellaneous Announcements

Chair Dillon announced two upcoming public hearings.

- f) * 6:00 p.m. Soroptimist Clubs Area Awards Banquet (Swinomish Casino Ballroom, 12885 Casino Drive, Anacortes)

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Dillon adjourned the proceedings shortly after 11:30 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Sharon D. Dillon, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board