

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, APRIL 23, 2013**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 23, 2013, with Commissioners Sharon D. Dillon, and Ron Wesen present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Dillon called the proceedings to order at 8:30 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) 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Public Works - Henry Hash, Director:

Director Henry Hash was present to answer questions and introduce the agenda items.

1. Presentation: 2013 Ferry Fare Revenue Target Report

Ferry Operations Manager Rachel Beck and Interim Controller Jim Martin presented the 2013 Ferry Fare Revenue Target Report. Ms. Beck indicated that per Resolution No. R20100050, and amended Resolution No. R20110382, Public Works was obligated to prepare and present an annual Ferry Fare Revenue Target Report to the Board of Skagit County Commissioners.

Ms. Beck reported that fare box revenue for 2013 was anticipated to meet or exceed the revenue target set forth in the 2013 Ferry Fare Revenue Target Report. She indicated that Public Works did not recommend a general fare increase for 2013. Public Works recommended making changes to the fare methodology so that short falls and surpluses could be properly handled and accounted. Ms. Beck discussed implementing a flat fee for logging trucks, rather than charging by overall length. She indicated that any changes to ferry fees would be brought to the public in a public hearing.

Ms. Beck noted that the 2013 Guemes Island Ferry Fare Revenue Target Report had been presented at the public forum on April 4, 2013, on Guemes Island and that no public comment had been received.

The Commissioner thanked Ms. Beck and staff for the update.

2. Discussion: Drainage Utility Appeals Board

Assistant Section Manager, Surface Water Manager Jan Flagan provided a brief background of the Drainage Utility Appeals Board. Ms. Flagan indicated that there was a need for a Drainage Utility Appeals Board to review requests for rate adjustments and for appeals that were previously identified.

Ms. Flagan presented a draft resolution rescinding Resolution No. 16503 and amending the drainage utility assessment appeal process. A final version of the resolution will be brought forward for the Board of County Commissioners' consideration on a future consent agenda.

The Commissioners agreed that the resolution rescinding Resolution No. 16503 and amending the drainage utility assessment appeal process could be brought forward for their consideration on a future consent agenda.

There was a brief discussion about drainage utility projects that were due to be completed in the summer of 2013.

3. Miscellaneous

There were no miscellaneous items for Public Works to discuss.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 8:59 a.m.

b) 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Proclamation Recognizing April 28, 2013, through May 5, 2013, as Soil and Water Stewardship Week

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 9:30 a.m.

Skagit Conservation District Manager Carolyn Kelly, Skagit Conservation District Education and Data Information Coordinator Cindy Pierce, Skagit Conservation District Staff Assistant Cora Amburn-Lijek were present to talk about the Soil and Water Stewardship Week.

Ms. Pierce discussed the 2013 Natural Resources Conservation Poster Contest, this year's theme was titled "Where Does Your Water Shed". She indicated that the overall winners of the poster contest were Ethan Hansen from Jefferson Elementary, Grade 5; and the runner-up winner was Shayla Axthelm from Mount Baker MS, Grade 7.

Category Winners:

Category K-1: No entries;

Category 2-3: Keaton Lawson from Foothills Christian, Grade 3;

Category 4-6: Ethan Hansen from Jefferson Elementary, Grade 5;

Category 7-9: Shayla Axthelm from Mount Baker Middle School, Grade 7;

Category 10-12: James Axthelm from Mount Vernon High School, Grade 12.

The judges for the poster contest were Padilla Bay Reserve Estuary Educator Susan Wood, Taylor Shellfish Education & Outreach Coordinator Nicole Hopper, and USDA Farm Service Agency Program Technician Susan King.

Commissioner Wesen read the proclamation recognizing April 28, 2013, through May 5, 2013, as Soil and Water Stewardship Week.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 9:46 a.m.

c) 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Planning and Development Services - Dale Pernula, Director:

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 10:00 a.m.

1. Public Meeting/Possible Action: Final Plat Approval for the Plat of Carissa's Pasture

Senior Planner Marge Swint indicated that the Final Approval for the Plat of Carissa's pasture was a request for a plat modification to allow for the re-division of Lot 3 of the Short CaRD PL08-0026 recorded on March 1, 2011, (AF# 201103010031). The proposal is to separate the designated building area and the designated open space of Lot 3 creating a total of five (5) lots from the initial parent parcel. The building lot would be one (1) acre in size and the open space lot would be 15.55 acres of which approximately 3.8 acres are protected area. A private plat road, individual wells, and onsite septic would serve the project. The proposed project is located at 13215 Briauna Lane in Bow.

Ms. Swint indicated that Planning and Development Services recommended approval of the Plat of Carissa's Pasture (PL12-0380).

Mary Ann Manville-Ailles of Skagit Surveyors was present to explain the purpose of separating the building lots from the open space. There was a discussion about the purpose of separating

the building lots and the maintenance of the roadway.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve that the Board of County Commissioners grant approval of the Plat of Carrissa's Pasture (P12-0380) submitted by Greg and Dawnell Kreider. Chair Dillon seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Dillon signed the final plat Mylar.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 10:15 a.m.

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

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

1. Public Comment Period

Seeing no public comment forthcoming, Chair Dillon closed the public comment period at 11:31 a.m.

2. Miscellaneous Announcements

Commissioner Wesen attended an briefing at the Port of Anacortes regarding the protect identified as the MNO Dock Dredging, dredging in the north basin area of the Cap Sante Marina Dredging on Monday, April 22, 2013.

The City of Anacortes' Council met in a Study Session on Monday, April 22, 2013 to discuss the Jail Provisional Agreement.

The City of Mount Vernon Council will meet on Wednesday, April 24, 2013, to discuss the Jail Provisional Agreement.

The City of Sedro-Woolley will meet on Wednesday, April 24, 2013, to discuss the Jail Provisional Agreement.

The City of Burlington will meet on Thursday, April 25, 2013, to discuss the Jail Provisional Agreement.

The Hearing Examiner will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, April 24, 2013, regarding the Shoreline Substantial Development Permit PL12-0144.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 11:33 a.m.

e) 11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Proclamation Recognizing April 21, 2013, through April 27, 2013, as National & Community Service Volunteer Week

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 11:45 a.m.

Community Action of Skagit County Community Engagement Manager Elizabeth Jennings spoke about celebrating National Volunteer Week and acknowledged community service groups. Ms. Jennings stated that members of the community could find more information and opportunities to volunteer at Skagit Volunteer Center's website at SkagitVolunteerCenter.org.

Fairfield Inn and Suites by Marriott General Manager Tina Pullar; Skagit County Community Action AmeriCorps GED Instructor, Literacy Program Brian Green; and Community Volunteer, Circles Initiative Scott Holley shared their personal stories of volunteerism.

Commissioner Wesen read the proclamation recognizing April 21, through April 27, 2013, as National & Community Service Volunteer Week and encouraged residents to recognize the positive impact of national and community service in Skagit County.

The Commissioners expressed their appreciation for the hard working volunteers.

Chair Dillon recessed the proceedings at 12:15 p.m.

- f) 2:00 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Introduction of Community Services Employees: Elsie Summers and Susan Williams

Chair Dillon reconvened the proceedings at 2:04 p.m.

Community Services Director Jennifer Kingsley introduced new staff Senior Nutrition Program Cook Elsie Summers and Senior Nutrition Program Food Service Supervisor Susan Williams. Ms. Summers and Ms. Williams shared a brief history of their backgrounds.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Dillon adjourned the proceedings at 2:12 p.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Sharon D. Dillon, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board