

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2014**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, May 13, 2014, with Chair Ron Wesen, Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, and Commissioner Sharon D. Dillon present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Wesen called the proceedings to order at 9:30 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Board of Health:

Jennifer Kingsley, Director of Public Health and Community Services, introduced Sandi Paciotti, Communicable Disease Division Manager; Corinne Story, Environmental Health Division Manager; Dr. Howard Leibrand, County Medical Officer; and Cynthia Eichner, Executive Director of Skagit County Alliance for Health Care Access (SCAHCA).

1. Update - Group B Regulation Change

Ms. Story provided information and gave an historical overview of Washington State's Group "B" Water Systems Program. She provided a graph comparing Skagit County's Group B water systems with Island, Whatcom and San Juan Counties and said that there were approximately 144 Group B water systems in Skagit County, which was a fairly low amount when compared with other Counties. She noted that State Board of Health adopted the Washington Administrative Code (WAC) Rule 246-291 on October 10, 2012, which became effective on January 1, 2014.

Ms. Story pointed out that Skagit County had started the process to update the County Code when the Supreme Court of the State of Washington's ruling regarding the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community and the Washington State Department of Ecology October 3, 2013, ruling was issued. She noted due to the rulings effect on Group "B" water systems, more research was needed before the code update could be done. Ms. Story reported that Skagit County was currently sending all Group B water system permits applications; except systems with two connections, to the State Department of Health for approval. She reported on the impact to staff, the community, and the major changes of the new rule.

There was a discussion about moving the Group "B" water system to the State Department of Health; revising Skagit County Code 12.48 code; the cost of code revision, public health and fiscal responsibility.

Ms. Story said she expected to bring a draft of the code revision for the Board of Health to review sometime in September 2014.

2. Update - Skagit County Alliance for Health Care Access (SCAHCA) In Person Assistor Program

Ms. Eichner noted that 5,834 people in Skagit County had enrolled for health care insurance during the past six months. She stated that the figure did not include renewals of health insurance. She noted that a majority of people who signed up for health care used the services of an In Person Assistor (IPA) and spoke about the importance of the Program. Ms. Eichner introduced Rose Ozuna who had been chosen by Governor Inslee as one of the top ten best in Washington State for enrolling nearly 1,000 people in health care.

Ms. Eichner said that the next open enrollment period would begin on November 15, 2014, and run through February 20, 2015. She explained the Special Enrollment process and noted that Washington Medicaid had no restrictions and that people could sign up at any time.

3. Skagit County Alliance for Health Care Access (SCAHCA) Accountable Communities of Health:

i. Background Overview

Ms. Eichner explained the core strategies for the Washington State Health Care Innovation Plan (WSHIP) five-year plan and how to build and create healthier communities.

ii. North Sound Region Planning

Ms. Eichner said the Health Care Authority (HCA), the agency that oversaw Medicaid and the Employee Public Health Insurance Program, would be selecting two "PILOT" Accountable Communities of Health. She explained that Island, San Juan, Skagit, Snohomish and Whatcom Counties were being established and would apply to become a PILOT Community.

iii. Planning Grant

Ms. Eichner provided information about the State of Washington Health Care Authority (HCA) Accountable Community of Health Grant Opportunity Announcement for Community of Health Planning. She said that HCA would award up to ten (10) Community of Health Planning Grants which would provide funding of up to \$50,000 per community and that several Skagit County entities had collaborated with the Whatcom Alliance for Healthcare Achievement to submit a letter of intent to become one of the Accountable Care Communities. She said that if the Community were awarded the grant funding, it would be used to develop a shared vision for community health transformation which could then lead to an award of a larger grant amount.

4. Measles Update

Ms. Paciotti provided information about measles, also known as rubeola, which is an infection of the respiratory system and caused a rash, fever, cough and runny nose. She spoke about how contagious the disease was; and that the number of measles cases worldwide was increasing. She noted that cases in the U.S. were rare and usually related to travel from a foreign country that did not vaccinate against the measles. Ms. Paciotti said that all foreign arrivals should be tested and get vaccinated and provided information about immunization staff being available today at Skagit Valley College to provide various vaccinations.

Ms. Paciotti said that there had been a number of measles cases recently in Washington State and provided information about residents of Whatcom County, San Juan County and a traveler passing through SeaTac airport that had been identified as contagious while traveling through multiple counties. She said in order to protect infants that were less than a year old everyone should get vaccinated against the measles. She said that all healthcare, school and college employees should have measles titers or documentation of two live measles vaccines that were developed after 1968.

5. Skagit County Alliance for Health Care Access (SCAHCA) Leadership Transition to Skagit County

Ms. Kingsley provided an update of the transition of the Skagit County Alliance for Health Care Access (SCAHCA) to Skagit County. She noted that the Board of County Commissioners had approved a new position for a Community Health Analyst in the Public Health Department. The purpose of the new position would be to provide leadership over SCAHCA; be a leader to facilitate bringing the community together to coordinate health activities.

The Commissioners expressed their support for the position and the effort to work collaboratively.

6. Miscellaneous

There were no miscellaneous items for the Board of Health to discuss.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 10:25 a.m.

b) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Board of County Commissioners:

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 10:30 a.m.

1. Discussion/Possible Action: Docketing 2013 Comprehensive Plan Amendments

Dale Pernula, Director of Planning and Development Services, asked the Board of County Commissioners to direct staff on how to proceed with the Annual Comprehensive Plan Amendments to the 2013 Docket.

Mr. Pernula provided an overview of the 2013 Petitions as follows:

1. NC-1, City of Anacortes, PL12-0258, petition to expand the City's Urban

Growth Area (this petition was deferred from the 2012 docket);

2. NC-2, City of Sedro-Woolley, PL13-0299, petition to change the City's Urban Growth Area.
3. NC-3, Yong Ho Kim, PL13-0302, petition to redesignate 2.65 acres from Rural Reserve to Small-Scale Business.
4. NC-4, Harold Mehrer, PL13-0298, petition to redesignate a 76.7 acre parcel with split zoning from Secondary Forest NRL/Industrial Forest NRL to Secondary Forest-NRL.

County-initiated Amendment:

1. C-1, Bayview Ridge, to reconfigure the Bayview Ridge Subarea to implement the Port of Skagit's recommended changes to the Airport Environs Overlay, move industrial zoning to the eastern portion of the subarea, reduce the residential zoning, and shrink the urban growth area.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve docketing petition for the City of Anacortes - NC-1. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve docketing the petition for the City of Sedro-Woolley - NC-2. Commissioner Dillon seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve docketing the petition for Yong Ho Kim - NC-3. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon not to docket the petition for Harold Mehrer - NC-4. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dillon to approve docketing the petition for Bayview Ridge - C-1. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Mr. Pernula said that a resolution to establish the 2013 Docket of Comprehensive Plan Land Use/Zoning Map and Policy Amendments would be brought forward on the Monday, May 19, 2014, Consent Agenda.

2. Miscellaneous

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

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 11:15 a.m.

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

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

1. Public Comment Period

Seeing no one present for the public comment period, Chair Wesen closed the public comment period at 11:30 a.m.

2. Miscellaneous Announcements

The Commissioners discussed facilitating a meeting to invite the three State Senators and the six State Representatives to update the community on the availability of water and future development. The meeting date was targeted for September of 2014.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Wesen adjourned the proceedings at 11:31 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Ron Wesen, Chair

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

Sharon D. Dillon, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board