

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, March 10, 2015, with Chair Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner Lisa Janicki, and Commissioner Ron Wesen present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Dahlstedt called the proceedings to order at 11:00 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Assessor's Office Introduction of New Staff: Appraiser Trainee Chris Zimmerman, Appraiser Trainee Danny Hagen, and Customer Service Beth Easterday

Assessor Dave Thomas introduced staff that had recently filled vacant positions in the Assessor's Office.

The Commissioners welcomed Appraiser Trainee Chris Zimmerman, Appraiser Trainee Danny Hagen, and Customer Service Beth Easterday.

Chair Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 11:09 a.m.

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

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

1. County and Individual Success Stories

FFA (Future Farmers of America) Students from Sedro-Woolley High School shared information about their rankings in the State of Washington and showed a video that had been created to encourage 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to join FFA.

2. Public Comment Period

Ellen Bynum with Friends of Skagit County was present to discuss public participation and how to improve public engagement, information, outreach, and consultation by appointing a citizens committee.

Jim Yay of Legg Road in Blanchard was present to thank the Commissioners for looking into creating a quiet zone. He encouraged the Commissioners to add the item to one of their agendas and notify the Blanchard community.

Patricia Yay of Legg Road in Blanchard was present to ask the Commissioners to consider adding the Blanchard quiet zone to a future agenda and to notify the neighborhood when they did so.

Louie Requa of Skagit Surveyors was present to ask the Commissioners to become more involved in the instream flow water issue in Skagit County and to do all they could to support appropriate bills currently in session in Olympia. He shared how his business had been negatively impacted by the restricted use of water and wells.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

Kirk Johnson, Planning and Development Services Senior Planner, was present to discuss an item from the Monday, March 9, 2015 Consent Agenda, Item #19 the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Anacortes for the Transfer of Development Rights. Mr. Johnson explained that the Transfer of Development Rights (TDR) Advisory Committee concluded that more transactions would be generated by the program if the cities in Skagit County were also involved (since more growth occurs in the city).

Mr. Johnson said that when he heard that the City of Anacortes was considering the TDR Program in their upcoming Comprehensive Plan Update, and he learned that additional funds were available from the Department of Commerce, he re-approached Anacortes to see if they wanted to participate, and they did. He said that this Agreement provided funding to the City from the Department of Commerce so that they could decide on implementing the program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve the Interlocal Agreement with the City of Anacortes as presented by staff. **(Contract No. C20150128)** Commissioner Janicki seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Dahlstedt adjourned the proceedings at 11:59 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chair

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Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

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Ron Wesen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board