

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 2016**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, April 12, 2016, with Chair Lisa Janicki, Commissioner Ron Wesen, and Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Janicki called the proceedings to order at 8:31 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Public Works - Dan Berentson, Director:

1. Public Hearing/Possible Action: To Consider Testimony Regarding Vacating a Portion of County Right-of-Way Known as BD Minkler Road #93030

Engineering Technician Shane Whitney provided a brief presentation on the request for the vacation of county right-of-way.

Discussion was held regarding the application for the vacation and the conditions that the applicant would need to meet.

Chair Janicki opened the public hearing at 8:45 a.m.

Seeing no one present to provide testimony, Commissioner Wesen made a motion to close the public hearing, Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve the execution of the Order to Vacate the northern 180 feet of BD Minkler Road. **(Resolution No. R20160116)** Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 8:50 a.m.

b) 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Proclamation Recognizing April 13, 2016 as Washington State Arbor Day and April 29, 2016 as National Arbor Day

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 9:31 a.m.

Kristi Carpenter, Skagit Conservation District Public Information Coordinator and Skagit Conservation District Forester Al Craney provided a background of the origins of Arbor Day to the Commissioners and suggested ways for Skagitians to celebrate the special day. They also shared information about Earth Day celebrations in Skagit County, managing healthy forests to help prevent wildfires, and thanked the Commissioners for the proclamation.

Commissioner Wesen read the proclamation regarding Arbor Day.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 9:58 a.m.

c) 11:00 a.m. - 11:15 a.m. Facilities Management - Dan Fitting, Director:

1. Introduction of Ken Hansen, Facilities Coordinator

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 11:00 a.m. and introduced Dan Fitting.

Mr. Fitting provided background information and introduced Ken Hansen, Facilities Coordinator.

The Commissioners welcomed Mr. Hansen to the Skagit County workforce.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 11:06 a.m.

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

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

1. County and Individual Success Stories

Greg Anders of the Heritage Flight Museum thanked the Commissioners for the award of Lodging Tax funds and he shared information about a big event coming up: An Evening with Apollo 8.

2. Public Comment Period

No one was present to provide public comments.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

The Commissioners announced Locals Night at Tulip Town in Mount Vernon, and Chair Janicki shared that she had been appointed by the Washington State Governor's Office to the Forrest Practice Board.

e) 11:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m. Success Stories from Local Non-Profit Organizations

Mary McGoffin, Executive Director of Skagit Community Foundation, introduced Ria Peth Vanderpool from the Theater Arts Guild. Ms. Vanderpool briefed the Commissioners on productions and their mission to involve the community in live theatre and personal development.

f) *6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Guemes Island Community Public Forum (Guemes Island Community Center, 7549 Guemes Island Road, Anacortes)

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Janicki adjourned the proceedings at 11:53 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Lisa Janicki, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board