

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

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 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 9:30 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Parks, Recreation and Fair - Brian Adams, Director:

1. Presentation by Skagit County Fairgrounds Event Coordinator Aric Gaither Regarding the 2016 Skagit County Fair Kick-Off ~ Wednesday, August 10, through Saturday, August 13, 2016

Parks, Recreation and Fair Administrative Manager Pauli Mickelson provided an overview of the 2016 Skagit County Fair and noted that this year's theme was "Absolute GRINsanity".

Fairgrounds Event Coordinator Aric Gaither provided a PowerPoint presentation which looked back at past Skagit County Fairs. He said that the Fair continued to emphasize local culture and talent and strived to appeal to a diverse range of people and lifestyles. Mr. Gaither displayed the Skagit County Fair poster and thanked System Analyst/Skagit21 Television Director Brian Young for his creative talent; Mapping Services Senior Environmental Sensing Analyst Josh Greenberg for creating a new map that makes it easier for Fair goers to locate Fair buildings, animal locations, and exhibits; photographers Eric Jacobs and Chris Matthews; and the various vendors who had sponsored this year's fair.

Mr. Gaither also provided information about how the Fairgrounds managed its budget and said that one of the ways it generated income was to rent the facilities to various organizations throughout the year.

Intern Macklin Hamilton provided information about the various events taking place on the community and main stages during the Fair.

Josie Hinman with Skagit County 4-H; Elizabeth Smith and Elly Pederson with FFA; 4-H Coordinator Bonita Elfstrom; and Livestock Coordinator Margaret Olson all shared their Fair experiences.

It was mentioned that admission tickets could be purchased in advance starting on Tuesday, July 12 through Friday, August 5, from the Skagit County Parks, Recreation and Fair Administration Building, located at 1730 Continental Place in Mount Vernon.

Additional information about the Fair can be obtained by contacting the Skagit County Parks, Recreation and Fair by telephone at (360) 416-1350; or on the website located at <http://www.skagitcounty.net/Departments/Fair/>; or on Facebook at www.facebook.com/skagitfair; or by e-mailing at fairgrounds@co.skagit.wa.us.

The Commissioners thanked everyone for their hard work and dedication and shared their Fair experiences.

[Link to PowerPoint Presentation:](http://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/07112016/)

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Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 10:14 a.m.

- b) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Presentation/Update - Skagit County Historical Museum Director of Development Jo Wolfe

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 10:32 a.m.

Executive Director Jesse G. Kennedy III, PhD. provided a brief introduction of the Historical Museum and noted that the mission of the Historical Museum was to actively engage the public in the understanding and enjoyment of Skagit County's unique cultural history.

Director of Development Jo Wolfe provided information amount past and upcoming events and noted that attendance at the Museum had continued to increase. Ms. Wolfe discussed the history and rehabilitation project of Skagit City School. She said that the project was partially funded by the Heritage Capital Projects Fund and mentioned a fundraising event taking place on the grounds of School, located at 17508 Moore Road in Mount Vernon, on Sunday July 17 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 10:49 a.m.

- c) 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

There was no one present to provide County and Individual Success Stories.

2. Public Comment Period

There was no present to provide public comment.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

Commissioner Dahlstedt commented on the work being done on the picnic shelter at the Skagit County Community Veterans Park.

Commissioner Wesen commented on the recent tour of the North Cascade Gateway Center and the 112th Annual Pioneer Picnic on Thursday, August 4, 2016, which will take place in La Conner at Pioneer Park.

Commissioner Janicki mentioned the "United We Stand Law Enforcement Support Rally" on Tuesday, July 12, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. at Skagit Center, located at 1000 Fountain Street in Burlington.

- d) *6:30 p.m. "United We Stand Law Enforcement Support Rally" (Skagit Center, 1000 Fountain Street, Burlington ~ Exit 231 (north of the Burlington-Edison High School))

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Janicki adjourned the proceedings at 11:34 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Lisa Janicki, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board