

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, AUGUST 16, 2016**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, August 16, 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 9:31 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. Executive Session (Potential Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))

Chair Lisa Janicki, Commissioner Ron Wesen, and Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt attended an executive session on Tuesday, August 16, 2016, from 8:30 a.m. to 9:15 a.m. The purpose of the executive session was Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). (Matters relating to County enforcement actions, actual litigation, or potential litigation.) The following attorneys were present at the executive session and provided legal advice to the Board of County Commissioners: Prosecutor Rich Weyrich and Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Melinda Miller. Other attendees: County Administrator Tim Holloran and Human Resources/Risk Management Director Jessica Neill Hoyson.

- b) 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Public Hearing Regarding Testimony to Consider Deleting Chapters 2.08, 2.28, and 2.32 of the Skagit County Code in order to Eliminate Conflicts with the Skagit County Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual and Accounting Practices and to Consider Amending Chapter 3.09 of the Skagit County Code Regarding Distressed County Sales and Use Tax

Human Resources/Risk Management Director Jessica Neill Hoyson provided information about Skagit County Code Chapters 2.08, 2.28, and 2.32 and noted that they were inconsistent with the Skagit County Personnel Policy Manual and therefore recommended that they be deleted.

Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue noted that the purpose of amending Skagit County Code Chapter 3.09 was to accurately reflect the expiration date of the Distressed County Sales and Use Tax. She said that the Distressed County Sales and Use Tax expired on August 1, 2032 and not on June 30, 2023.

Chair Janicki opened the public hearing at 9:37 a.m.

Seeing no public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Wesen made a motion to close the public hearing at 9:37 a.m. Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve an Ordinance deleting Chapters 2.08, 2.28, and 2.32 of the Skagit County Code in order to eliminate Conflicts with the Skagit County Personnel Policies and Procedures Manual and Accounting Practices. **(Ordinance No. O20160006)** Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve an Ordinance to amend Chapter 3.09 of the Skagit County Code Regarding Distressed County Sales and Use Tax. **(Ordinance No. O20160007)** Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 9:40 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 were no County and Individual Success Stories provided.

2. Public Comment Period

Steve Garey of Sedro-Woolley spoke about the risk of transporting oil by rail in Skagit County and the need for local, federal and state entities to collaborate with other stakeholders to provide adequate inspection techniques, maintenance and technology that was necessary to safely transport oil by rail. He commented on the need to hire independent engineering firms to inspect the BNSF swing bridge over the Swinomish Channel and the bridge over the Skagit River to assess their condition and ability to safely handle the weight of the oil trains.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

The Commissioners thanked everyone for supporting the Skagit County Fair.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Janicki adjourned the proceedings at 11:36 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Lisa Janicki, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board