

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 13, 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) 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Proclamation Recognizing September as National Senior Center Month

Human Services Manager Rebecca Clark provided a PowerPoint presentation and discussed the benefits of the Skagit County Senior Centers and the partnerships they had with the Cities, Senior Center Advisory Boards, Area Agency on Aging, State of Washington, Federal Government, United Way of Skagit County, Skagit Council on Aging and the citizens of Skagit County. Ms. Clark commented on the hard work of the Senior Center Coordinators and volunteers.

Mount Vernon Senior Center Coordinator Kristl Torset; Sedro-Woolley Senior Center Coordinator Ellen Schweigert; Burlington Senior Center Coordinator Jackie Cress; Anacortes Senior Center Coordinator Sally Hill; Sedro-Woolley Senior Center Advisory Board Member Chuck Steele; Anacortes Senior Foundation Board Member Michele Pope; Burlington Senior Center Volunteer and Advisory Board Member Jodi Louia; Anacortes Senior Center volunteers Casey and Danny spoke about the various programs that enriched the lives of seniors in the community.

The Commissioners thanked the Senior Center Coordinators and volunteers for their hard work and dedication at the various senior centers in the community.

Commissioner Dahlstedt read the Proclamation recognizing September as National Senior Center Month and called upon all citizens to recognize the special contributions of the senior center participants, and the special efforts of the staff and volunteers who work every day to enhance the well-being of the older citizens of our community.

Upcoming Events Announced:

Mount Vernon Senior Center Pie Social to celebrate National Senior Month, September 21, 2016, from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Anacortes Senior Center Third Annual Fall Prevention Fair, September 22, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Burlington Senior Center open house Friday, September 23, 2016, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Link to PowerPoint Presentation:

<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/09122016/>

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 10:01 a.m.

b) 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Planning and Development Services - Dale Pernula, Director:

1. Discussion - Annual 2017 Comprehensive Plan, Map and Code Amendment Docket

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 10:04 a.m.

Director Dale Pernula reported that the Growth Management Act required that local

governments have a process for receiving suggestions for amendments to the Comprehensive Plan policies, Comprehensive Plan map, and development regulations. He said that under Skagit County Code, proposals need to be submitted by the last business day in July.

Mr. Pernula said that this year, the County received 15 public petitions and suggestions for Comprehensive Plan policy or map amendments or new development regulations and another 17 had been proposed by the County. Mr. Pernula noted that the purpose of the presentation today was to inform the Board about the list of proposals and to check to see if anything was missing from the list.

The Commissioners agreed that there were no additional items to add to the list.

Commissioner Wesen discussed whether or not the Department had enough time to complete the proposals. He suggested that the County organize a workshop to clarify the applicant proposals.

Commissioner Dahlstedt suggested that the public hearing for the 2017 Comprehensive Plan, Map and code Amendment Docket should be scheduled for two hours in order to provide enough time for the applicants to speak about their proposals.

A discussion ensued about tracking all the proposals submitted and what criteria was used to determine which proposals were brought forward to the Board of County Commissioners.

Senior Planner Kirk Johnson spoke about the process to submit proposals to the Department.

Link September 8, 2016, Staff Memorandum:

<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/09122016/>

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 10:22 a.m.

c) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Update: Skagit Library Directors

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

Director of the Sedro-Woolley Public Library Debra Peterson spoke about the value of community partnerships.

Director of the Mount Vernon Library Brian Soneda provided a PowerPoint presentation and spoke about the Family Connections Day that took place during the Skagit County Fair on Thursday, August 11, 2016. Mr. Soneda introduced City of Mount Vernon Parks and Enrichment Services Director Bill King.

Spanish Outreach Coordinator at the Central Skagit Library Sandra Sanchez spoke about the Project Homeless Connect event that took place on Friday, September 9, 2016, and services that the libraries provided.

Teen and Adult Services Librarian at the Burlington Public Library Jenny Cole presented the Skagit Reads book "I Am Malala" written by Malala Yousafzai with Christina Lamb to the Commissioners.

Events Announced:

Documentary "He Named Me Malala", on Thursday, October 6, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. taking place at the Lincoln Theatre in Mount Vernon.

Human Rights Activist Carl Wilkens, Tuesday, October 18, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. taking place at the Lincoln Theatre in Mount Vernon.

Link to PowerPoint Presentation:

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Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 10:50 a.m.

d) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Presentation: 2016 Winner of the Digital Counties Survey Award

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 11:01 a.m.

Data Processing Manager Mike Almvig explained that the Digital Counties Survey was conducted in partnership with the National Association of Counties (NACo) and The Center for Digital Government (CDG). He mentioned that Skagit County had participated in the survey for the last six years and had scored in the top ten position six times. He said that winning Counties were presented with their awards during NACo's annual conference.

Commissioner Wesen said that he had attended the NACo conference and he was fortunate to be the one that had accepted the award on behalf of Skagit County.

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

e) 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

Ken Bosworth of Anacortes commented on an article from the Seattle Times titled "Northwest communities can't risk another oil train disaster", the environmental damage caused by oil, and the need for the railways companies to improve safety.

Ellen Bynum with the Friends of Skagit proposed working with Planning and Development Services staff to draft a one page sheet that would explain the various processes to amend the Comprehensive Plan, Shoreline Master Plan or how the Growth Management Hearings Board functioned.

Ed Stauffer of Skagit County commented on the Comprehensive Plan proposals that he had submitted and the need for the Commissioners to have oversight over the Planning and Development Services Department.

Sonita Claymore said that she represented Island Hospital workers and asked if the Board of County Commissioners would meet with some of the Island Hospital workers to discuss their concerns about the direction the Hospital is taking and about the quality of care.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

There were no miscellaneous announcements.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 11:43 a.m.

f) 11:45 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Facilities Management - Dan Fitting, Director:

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 11:45 a.m.

1. Presentation of Monthly Real Estate Transaction Report Pursuant to Resolution No. R20160001

Facilities Management Director Dan Fitting presented information about a Purchase and Sale Agreement that the County Administrator had entered into pursuant to Resolution No. R20160001. The Agreement was to acquire property located 1700 Continental Place in Mount Vernon. He indicated that the property was adjacent to the Skagit County Parks and Recreation Department. He provided a picture of the parking that was currently available for the public at the Parks and Recreation building and noted that additional parking was needed. He said that in order to make up for the lack of parking, the County had an Agreement with the current property owner to lease 22 parking stalls and that the acquisition of the property would provide 55 parking stalls.

Mr. Fitting explained that if the Commissioners had no objections to purchasing the property his Department would move forward with the Purchase and Sale Agreement.

The Commissioners did not voice any objections.

- g) *2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Work Session with Facilities Management and McKinstry Essention, LLC

III. VOUCHERS AND WARRANTS:

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve the following transmittal. Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

- a. Vouchers audited and certified by the auditing officer as required by R.C.W. 42.24.080, and those expense reimbursement claims certified as required by R.C.W. 42.24.090, have been recorded on a listing, which has been made available to the Board. As of this date, the Board by majority vote, did approve for payment those vouchers included in the above-mentioned list and further described as follows:
 - a) Warrants numbered 448234 through 448234 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$175,442.00 (Transmittal No. C-122-16).

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Janicki adjourned the proceedings at 11:51 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Lisa Janicki, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board