

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2016**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 20, 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. Board of County Commissioners:

1. Discussion/Possible Action: Closed Record Appeal No. PL16-0348 Submitted by Appellants David Geerts and Michael Geerts of Hearing Examiner's Decision of Special Use Permit No. PL16-0007 Regarding a Proposal from Respondents Parallel Infrastructure/Skagit 911 to Construct a Wireless Telecommunications Tower and Equipment Shelter

Chair Janicki introduced Planning and Development Services Associate Planner Annie Matsumoto-Grah who provided a brief overview of the hearing held on September 6, 2016.

Discussion was held regarding the agreement between the appellant and respondent to remand the matter back to the Hearing Examiner for further findings of fact but that they had each suggested different criteria for the remand.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve a Resolution to remand the matter back to the Hearing Examiner for consideration of additional evidence and additional findings of fact (**Resolution No. R20160242**). Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Commissioner Dahlstedt asked that copies of the Resolution be sent to both parties.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 9:37 a.m.

b) 10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Update and Presentation by Senior Local Government Affairs Representative Lynn Murphy with Puget Sound Energy: Preparation for Storm Season

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 10:02 a.m. and introduced Puget Sound Energy head of Local Government Affairs Lynn Murphy.

Lynn Murphy provided an update of projects completed by Puget Sound Energy for storm preparedness, outlined information available online for customers, discussed how energy was restored, and shared other things customers should know. A link to her PowerPoint can be found here:

<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/09192016>

Ms. Murphy said that the only way Puget Sound Energy would know if power had been lost at a home was if the outage also affected the substation that provided power to their area, or, if the homeowner called to report it at 1-888-225-5773. She encouraged phone calls to report power outages and to check the status of power restoration. She also shared that power restorations

could be located online and that power outages could also be reported using a new phone app.

The Commissioners thanked Ms. Murphy for the information. Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 10:23 a.m.

c) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. United Way Presentation and Proclamation

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 11:03 a.m. and introduced United Way Resource Development Manager Philip Prud'homme.

Mr. Prud'homme and other speakers including: Cascade Natural Gas District Manager Tiffany Urand, City of Burlington Councilmember Bill Aslett, Skagit County Public Health Child and Family Health Manager Jennifer Sass-Walton, United Way Executive Director Debra Lancaster, United Way Financial Empowerment Consultant Rita Ordonez, and Skagit Regional Health Director of Marketing and Communications Kari Ranten all discussed their support of United Way and United Way's annual campaign to create sustainable, positive changes in people's lives by partnering with local service groups to provide improved early childhood education, financial empowerment, and healthy life choices.

Debra Lancaster said, "We all win when we're all in" and she thanked Skagit County employees for their continued support for the community through United Way donations and payroll contributions.

The Commissioners thanked speakers for the information provided regarding United Way's support of the community.

Commissioner Dahlstedt read the proclamation regarding Skagit County's Annual United Way Campaign Months of September and October.

Chair Janicki recessed the proceedings at 11:38 a.m.

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

Chair Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 11:40 a.m.

1. County and Individual Success Stories

No one was present to provide county or individual success stories.

2. Public Comment Period

No one was present to provide public comments.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

Commissioner Wesen commented on Community Leader Day at the Port of Skagit. Commissioner Dahlstedt asked people to drive safe through school zones.

e) *6:00 p.m. Skagit Conservation District 2016 Conservation Awards Banquet (Sedro-Woolley Community Center, 703 Pacific Street, Sedro-Woolley)

f) *7:00 p.m. Town of Edison Community Meeting (Edison Elementary School, 5801 Main Avenue, Edison)

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Janicki adjourned the proceedings at 11:42 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Lisa Janicki, Chair

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board