The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, February 7, 2017, with Chair Ron Wesen, Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, and Commissioner Lisa Janicki present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Wesen called the proceedings to order at 10:00 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) *9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Executive Session (Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))

The Commissioners attended an executive session on Tuesday, February 7, 2017, from 9:01 a.m. to 9:55 a.m., the purpose of the executive session was Potential Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). (Matters relating to County enforcement actions, actual litigation, or potential litigation.) The following attorneys were present and provided legal advice to the Board of County Commissioners: Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Will Honea and outside counsel Frank Kowolkowski. Other attendees included: Skagit County Administrator Tim Holloran.

b) 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Discussion/Possible Action: Addendum No. 1 to Skagit County Contract No. C20150575 with Samish Indian National Regarding Law Enforcement Services Agreement for Campbell Lake

Chair Wesen introduced Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Will Honea. Mr. Honea provided information to the Commissioners regarding the Interlocal Agreement that had been created cooperatively with Skagit County and the Samish Indian Nation regarding the provision of law enforcement services for the Nation’s recently acquired cannabis rights from the State of Washington. Mr. Honea said that the Agreement was positive, negotiated in good faith by both parties, and benefited both parties.

Skagit County Sheriff Will Reichardt and Samish Tribal Chairman Tom Wooten provided comments on the positive partnership between Skagit County and the Samish Indian Nation.

The Commissioners thanked Chairman Wooten for his leadership and for being a good neighbor.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve Addendum No. 1 to Skagit County Contract No. C20150575 with Samish Indian National Regarding Law Enforcement Services Agreement for Campbell Lake (Amendment No. A20170011) Commissioner Janicki seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 10:17 a.m.

c) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Presentation from Skagit County Historical Museum

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 10:30 a.m. and introduced Skagit County Historical Museum’s Director of Development Jo Wolfe.
Ms. Wolfe provided an overview of 2016 which included construction projects completed, exhibits and events held, topical guest speakers, and the provision of school tours. She said that museum attendance continued to rise each year and that they had 5,507 guests in 2016.

Ms. Wolfe briefed the Commissioners on the events, exhibits, partnerships, and plans for the museum in 2017.

The Commissioners asked about the financial state of the museum, thanked them for doing a good job, and reminded the community to visit often since the exhibits were continually changing.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 10:47 a.m.

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

Commissioner Janicki reconvened the proceedings at 11:31 a.m. and excused Chair Wesen who had a workshop to attend.

1. County and Individual Success Stories

No one provided county or individual success stories.

2. Public Comment Period

Kathleen Arentzen of Sedro-Woolley on State Route 9 was present to share concerns regarding the application from Miles Sand and Gravel/Lisa Inc. to operate a mine on approximately 68 acres. She was concerned about the pollution of wetlands and the Samish watershed from runoff from mining activities as well as the number of large trucks hauling sand and gravel on the insufficient county roadways.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

The Commissioners shared thoughts on weather-related traffic safety and announced a public meeting of interest being held by Skagit Council of Governments (SCOG) at Allen Elementary School at 17145 Cook Road, in Bow regarding the Cook Road Corridor Project.

Commissioner Janicki recessed the proceedings at 11:42 a.m.

e) 2:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Jail Construction Update from Marc Estvold, Project Manager

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 2:00 p.m. and introduced Project Manager Marc Estvold. Mr. Estvold provided information on Amendment No. 5 to Contract No. C20140269 with DLR Group, and said that the budget for the project was still balanced (that there was 7% risk left and 21% contingency left for the project), reported that Skagit County’s water quality testing was on track (two quarters of clean water quality samples had been achieved. If the next two quarterly samples were returned clean, then the requirement set by the state for four consecutive quarters of clean water samples would be completed and no additional testing needed).

Mr. Estvold and the Commissioners looked at the project webcam and reviewed photographs taken at the site. Mr. Estvold reported that in approximately 78 days the facility would be turned over to Skagit County.

The Commissioners voiced their approval that the project was on schedule and on budget.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to approve Amendment No. 5 to Contract No. C20140269 with DLR Group (Amendment No. A20170012) Commissioner Janicki seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.
The Commissioners acknowledged that Kaylee Galloway, Community Liaison from Congresswoman Suzan DelBene’s office was present, and thanked her for her attendance. Skagit County Administrator Tim Holloran provided an update on the planning of the overnight stay at the jail for interested community members. He said that other states had achieved success by hosting an evening and overnight stay at their newly constructed jails and that the funds would help local cause in the community, provide valuable training for jail staff, and inspire deeper connections within community organizations for improved inmate success and support which reduced recidivism.

VI.  ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Wesen adjourned the proceedings at 2:26 p.m.

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON

Ron Wesen, Chair

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board