

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, MAY 22, 2017**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 22, 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 9:29 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Discussion/Possible Action: Blanchard Quiet Zone

Public Works Director Dan Berentson and Transportation Programs Section Manager Forrest Jones were present to answer questions regarding the summary of alternatives for the Blanchard Quiet Zone. Mr. Jones provided an overview of the alternatives.

Discussion followed regarding the alternatives, feedback received from the Blanchard community, and which alternative to implement. Commissioner Dahlstedt suggested that Skagit County pay to upgrade the Colony Road crossing since it was currently above the National Significant Risk Index.

Mr. Jones briefed the Commissioners on the process that would follow their decision on which alternative to implement towards the creation of the Blanchard Quiet Zone.

A motion was made by Commissioner Dahlstedt to improve the Colony Road crossing at Skagit County's expense by installing a non-traversable curb median, leave the South Blanchard Road crossing as-is, and install non-traversable curb medians on North Legg and South Legg Roads at the expense of the Blanchard Community. Commissioner Janicki seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 9:45 a.m.

b) 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Discussion/Possible Action: Award of Grant Funding for Economic Development/Public Facilities Projects

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 10:00 a.m.

Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue and County Administrator Tim Holloran were present to answer questions. Mr. Holloran said that he had reviewed the funding recommendations made by the Economic Development Advisory Committee with each Commissioner. Trisha Logue showed a document on the overhead projector that listed the applicant, project name, total project cost, the amount of funding requested by the applicant, the amount of funding recommended by the advisory committee, and the amount of funding each Commissioner wanted to award. Mr. Holloran said that discussion was needed to come to an agreement on funding.

Mr. Holloran led discussion with the Commissioners and Ms. Logue regarding funding preferences. As the Commissioners discussed and agreed to level of award amounts, Ms. Logue completed the document.

The document can be found at:

<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/05222017/>

It was decided not to accept the recommendation to partially fund the Laventure/Section Traffic Signal project from the City of Mount Vernon since other funding sources were available for that type of public safety project. Fiber Optics projects were discussed and at what level of award. It was decided to award funding to EDASC, but that the funding mechanism would need to be updated for the 2018 budget and also shared by the cities.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve awarding grants at the levels agreed to in session by the Commissioners (**Resolution No. R20170108**). Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 10:29 a.m.

c) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Consideration of the Hearing Examiner's Recommendation for Approval for the Following Open Space Applications

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 10:32 a.m. and introduced Current Use Specialist Kiffen Saben from the Assessor's Office.

1. Resolution Concerning an Application to Include 9.6 Acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Larry and Gloria Dunn CUOS #1-2017

Ms. Saben provided the location of the property, said that it was traditional farmland that no longer met the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income, and said that there would be little if any tax shift.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve a Resolution concerning an application to include 9.6 Acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Larry and Gloria Dunn CUOS #1-2017 (**Resolution No. R20170109**) Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

2. Resolution Concerning an Application to Transfer 4 acres from Current Use Farm and Agricultural Land to Current Use Open Space Farm and Agricultural Conservation Land by Mary Lu Conley CUOS/F&A Conservation #3-2017

Ms. Saben provided the location of the property, said that it was traditional farmland that was now fallow and no longer met the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income, and said that there would be little if any tax shift.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve a Resolution concerning an application to transfer 4 acres from Current Use Farm and Agricultural Land to Current Use Open Space Farm and Agricultural Conservation Land by Mary Lu Conley CUOS/F&A Conservation #3-2017 (**Resolution No. R20170110**) Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

3. Resolution Concerning an Application to Include 9.81 Acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Robert Peterson CUOS #4-2017

Ms. Saben provided the location of the property, said that it was traditional farmland that no longer met the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income, and said that there would be a tax shift of \$85 since one of the parcels included in the application was new to the program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve a Resolution concerning an application to include 9.81 acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Robert

Peterson CUOS #4-2017 (**Resolution No. R20170111**) Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

4. Resolution Concerning an Application to Include 32.87 Acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Kathryn Lawliss CUOS #5-2017

Ms. Saben provided the location of the property, said that it was traditional farmland that no longer met the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income, and said that there would be little if any tax shift.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve a Resolution concerning an application to include 32.87 acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Kathryn Lawliss CUOS #5-2017 (**Resolution No. R20170112**) Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

5. Resolution Concerning an Application to Include 15 Acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Thomas and Theresa Chahary CUOS #6-2017

Ms. Saben provided the location of the property, said that it was traditional farmland that no longer met the requirement for gross commercial agricultural income, and said that there would be little if any tax shift.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve a Resolution concerning an application to include 15 acres in the Current Use Open Space Land Program by Thomas and Theresa Chahary CUOS #6-2017 (**Resolution No. R20170113**) Commissioner Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 10:43 a.m.

- d) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Certificate of Commendation for Linda Christensen, Administrative Coordinator

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 11:00 a.m.

Planning and Development Services Director Dale Pernula provided an overview of Linda Christensen's employment with Skagit County. River Improvement Watershed Planner Kara Symonds, Assistant Planning Director Ryan Walters, Public Works Director Dan Berentson, Water Quality Analyst Rick Haley, retired co-worker Kirk Johnson, Senior Planner Betsy Stevenson, Port of Skagit Commissioner and Agricultural Advisory Board Member Steve Omdal, Facilities Director Dan Fitting, Salmon Habitat Specialist Jeff McGowan, Farmland Legacy Committee Members Scott Degraw and Andrea Xaver, and the Commissioners wished Linda Christensen a happy retirement and Linda reflected on her time at Skagit County.

Commissioner Dahlstedt read the Certificate of Commendation in recognition of dedicated public service rendered on behalf of the people, the community and in the public interest faithfully and unselfishly by Linda Christensen from May 12, 1997, to May 31, 2017.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 11:25 a.m.

- e) 1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Consent Agenda, Vouchers, Warrants and Miscellaneous Items
- f) 2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Public Works - Dan Berentson, Director:

Chair Wesen Reconvened the proceedings at 2:30 p.m.

1. Presentation: Certificate of Good Practice

Director Berentson and County Engineer Paul Randall-Grutter said that the Certificate of Good Practice was issued by the Washington State County Road Administration Board and transmitted to the State Treasurer each year. The certificate was issued annually on behalf of counties that were found to be in reasonable compliance with provisions of law relating to County Road Administration and standards of good practice.

Commissioner Janicki read the Certificate of Good Practice and presented it to Mr. Randall-Grutter.

- g) *3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Executive Session (None Scheduled as of the Date of this Notice)

No executive sessions were scheduled for the week of May 22, 2017.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY, MAY 22, 2017 (items 1 through 18):

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 1:30 p.m. and excused Commissioner Dahlstedt.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 18, including all items requiring ratification, vouchers and warrants for Monday, May 22, 2017 Chair Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously. Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt's absence was excused

a) COMMISSIONERS:

1. Record of the Proceedings for Monday, May 1, 2017. **(Approved)**
2. Record of the Proceedings for Monday, May 15, 2017. **(Approved)**
3. Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, May 16, 2017. **(Approved)**

b) ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

4. Personal Services Agreement with American Stewards of Liberty to assist Skagit County regarding issues involving the introduction of grizzly bears by federal and state agencies and the effect on the Skagit County's ability to protect the health, safety and welfare of residents, private property rights, and the economy, and, to assist with the coordination of the DRAFT North Cascades Grizzly Bear Restoration Plan/EIS with the Skagit County Comprehensive Plan. Compensation shall not exceed \$5,000 and is based on a fee schedule. The Agreement is ratified to commence on March 1, 2017, and shall continue through March 1, 2018. **(Contract No. C20170242)**

c) FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

5. Resolution to call for bids for the Skagit County Juvenile Detention Re-Roof Project located at 605 South Third Street, Mount Vernon. The bid opening is scheduled to take place on Monday, June 12, 2017, at 2:30 p.m. **(Resolution No. R20160114)**

d) INFORMATION SERVICES:

6. Interlocal Agreement with Skagit County Hospice of Skagit Valley Hospital for sixty (60) hours of audio-visual production services. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until the completion of 60 hours of audio-visual production services. Compensation shall not exceed \$6,000 and is based on a production schedule. **(Contract No. C20170243)**

e) PARKS, RECREATION AND FAIR:

7. Vendor Services Agreement with Rainshield Roofing and Construction, Inc. to complete the Re-Roofing Project #PO41217 for Skagit County Fairgrounds Building F. Compensation shall not exceed \$44,088.72. The Agreement shall commence on May 22, 2017, and continue for one year. **(Contract No. C20170244)**

f) PROSECUTING ATTORNEY:

8. Resolution Authorizing Litigation to Abate a Public Nuisance by Guy Hovander. **(Resolution No. R20160115)**
 9. Resolution Authorizing Litigation to Abate a Public Nuisance by Barga Investments Inc. **(Resolution No. R20160116)**
 10. Resolution Authorizing Litigation to Abate a Public Nuisance by US Bank Trust NA as Trustee for LSF9 Master Participation Trust. **(Resolution No. R20160117)**
- g) PUBLIC HEALTH:
11. Amendment No. 1 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20160340 with Washington Vocational Services to provide "Pathways to Employment" and "Community Access" services to eligible individuals with developmental disabilities. This Amendment increases compensation by \$60,000 due to increased enrollment. Total compensation shall not exceed \$641,515 and is funded through County Program Agreement No. 1563-43216, Skagit County Contract No. C20150343, with the Washington State Department of Social & Health Services. The term remains the same, and will continue until June 30, 2017. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20170052)**
- h) PUBLIC WORKS:
12. Interagency Agreement No. GCB 2546 with Washington State Department of Transportation to replace the current Interagency Agreement No. GCB 1352, Skagit County Contract No. C20130107, which ends June 30, 2017. Per RCW 47.56.725 this Agreement allows Skagit County to receive a subsidy of up to 50% of the previous year's annual operating deficit incurred in the operation and maintenance of the County ferry system. The Agreement shall commence on July 1, 2017, and continue until June 30, 2021. **(Contract No. C20170245)**
 13. Street Waste Facility Use Agreement with North Hill Resources, Inc. to provide access to the Skagit County Waste Facility to dispose of waste generated from cleaning streets and stormwater drainage systems. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue for two years. North Hill Resources, Inc. shall pay fees outlined in in Skagit County's Solid Waste Disposal Rates. **(Contract No. C20170246)**
 14. Construction Contract Agreement with Granite Construction Company for the 2017 HMA Overlay Project #ESHMA17-1 for work at the following sites per Schedules A, B, and C: Higgins Airport Way, Fir Island Road, and Conway Frontage Road. Compensation shall not exceed \$856,198.80 and is based on a rate schedule. The Agreement shall commence upon the date of execution. **(Contract No. C20170247)**
 15. Amendment No. 1 to Vendor Services Agreement No. C20170163 with Arrow Launch Service, Inc. to provide Temporary Passenger-Only Ferry Service between Anacortes and Guemes Island. Compensation shall not exceed \$109,000 and is based on a rate schedule. This Amendment extends the Agreement by two additional years, as provided for in the original Agreement. The new term will expire on March 31, 2019. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20170053)**
 16. Amendment No. 1 to Personal Services Agreement with Lithtex NW for bulk mailing for Natural Resources Division projects and programs such as the Clean Samish Initiative, Lake Management District newsletters, public meeting invitations, and landowner outreach. This Amendment increases compensation by \$7,000 for additional mailing and printing services. Total compensation shall not exceed \$22,000 and is based on a rate schedule. The term remains the same and shall continue until December 31, 2017. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20170054)**
- i) SHERIFF:
17. Interlocal Agreement for a Multi-Jurisdictional Task Force for Narcotics Enforcement between the Washington State Patrol, Skagit County, San Juan County, the City of

Mount Vernon, the City of Anacortes, the City of Burlington, and the Swinomish Indian Tribal Community. The Agreement shall commence on the date of mutual execution by all parties. **(Contract No. C20170248)**

j) **TREASURER:**

18. Resolution authorizing the cancellation of uncollectible personal property taxes in the amount of \$3,119.43. **(Resolution No. R20160118)**

V. **VOUCHERS AND WARRANTS:**

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) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to Trusteed Plans Service Corporation from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$226,256.96 (Transmittal No. C-68-17); and
- b) Warrants numbered 461859 through 462203 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$2,705,188.77 (Transmittal No. C-69-17).

VI. **MISCELLANEOUS (1 item):**

a) **INFORMATION SERVICES:**

1. Personal Services Agreement with Dimensional Communications to provide audio technical solutions to maintain the overall functionality of the audio systems operated by Skagit Court Superior Courtrooms, located at 205 W. Kincaid Street in Mount Vernon. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue December 31, 2021. Compensation shall not exceed \$10,000 yearly. **(Contract No. C20170249)**

Senior Engineer Ryan Johns presented the miscellaneous item from Information Services with Dimensional Communications and answered questions from the Commissioners.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve the Agreement with Dimensional Communications. Chair Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously. Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt's absence was excused

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 1:35 p.m.

VII. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Chair Wesen adjourned the proceedings at 2:43 p.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Ron Wesen, Chair

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner

Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board