

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
THURSDAY, AUGUST 10, 2017**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, August 10, 2017, with Chair Ron Wesen, and Commissioner Kenneth A. Dahlstedt present. Commissioner Lisa Janicki excused.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Wesen called the proceedings to order at 10:30 a.m.

The Sedro-Woolley City Council was called to order by Mayor Wagoner with Brett C. Sandstrom, Germaine Kornegay, Brenda Kinzer, Julia M. Johnson, and Chuck Owen present. Judith Dunn Lee and Rick Lemley were excused.

The Port of Skagit was called to order by Port Commissioner Steve Omdal. Also present was Port Commissioner Kevin Ware and Port Commissioner Bill Shuler.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Joint Meeting Between Port of Skagit, City of Sedro-Woolley and Skagit County:

Additional introductions were made. Also present was Executive Director of the Port of Skagit Patsy Martin, Port of Skagit Planning & Environment Manager Heather Rogerson, Skagit County Administrator Tim Holloran, Director of the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services Chris Liu, City Supervisor/Attorney for the City of Sedro-Woolley Eron Berg, Sedro-Woolley Director of Public Works Mark Freiberger, PE, CEO Peter Janicki of Janicki Bioenergy, and Susan Janicki with Janicki Bioenergy.

1. Update: Sedro-Woolley Innovation For Tomorrow (SWIFT) Center

Ms. Martin provided background information about the project and the partnership that had been created to jointly work together to create the SWIFT Center and prepare for the future transfer of ownership of the property from the State of Washington to the Port of Skagit.

Mr. Freiberger discussed the partnership between the City, County, Port, and State to update and improve surrounding infrastructure to ensure adequate transportation.

Mr. Holloran discussed work being performed with North Sound Behavioral Health Organization to locate a site for a substance abuse facility and a stabilization and recovery campus.

Mr. Janicki provided an update on the omni processor and other technologies including the Advanced Vapor Recompression Distillation System, the Firelight Toilet, and a small steam engine that produces energy from burling plastic. He discussed sales projections and the employee workforce that would be growing over the next couple of years. He said he was looking forward to relocating to adequate facilities at the SWIFT Center.

A map highlighting road improvements near the SWIFT Center that was referred to by Mr. Freiberger and information provided by Mr. Janicki can be found here:
<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/08072017/>

2. Accept Governor's Smart Communities Award from the Department of Commerce

On behalf of Governor Inslee, Department of Commerce Senior Planner Valerie Smith presented the Smart Community Awards to the City of Sedro-Woolley, the Port of Skagit, Skagit County, the consultant firm of Maul Foster and Alongi, and the Washington State Department of Enterprise Services in recognition of outstanding achievement in creating thriving communities, a prosperous economy, and sustainable infrastructure in Washington State.

IV. AJOURNMENT:

Chair Wesen and the City of Sedro-Woolley and Port of Skagit adjourned the proceedings at 11:25 a.m.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Ron Wesen, Chair

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt , Commissioner

Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board