

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, MAY 7, 2018**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, May 7, 2018, with Chair Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Commissioner Lisa Janicki, and Commissioner Ron Wesen present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Dahlstedt called the proceedings to order at 8:30 a.m.

II. AGENDA:

- a) *8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Briefing - County Commissioners/County Administrator with Planning and Development Services, Public Health, and Emergency Medical Services
- b) *9:30 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Public Health Work Session
- c) *1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. State Auditor's Entrance Conference

d) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 1:45 p.m. and led the gallery in the salute to the flag.

e) 1:45 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Consent Agenda, Vouchers, Warrants and Miscellaneous Items

1. Consent Agenda Items for Further Discussion:

Emergency Medical Services Director Jeff Sargent provided additional information about Consent Agenda item no. 3.

Facilities Coordinator Ken Hansen provided additional information about Consent Agenda item no. 4.

Commissioner Wesen provided additional information about Consent Agenda item numbers 6, 7, and 8.

2. Consent Agenda for Monday, May 7, 2018 (items 1 through 14):

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve Consent Agenda items 1 through 14, including all items requiring ratification, vouchers and warrants for Monday, May 7, 2018. Commissioner Janicki seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

a) COMMISSIONERS:

- 1. Record of the Proceedings for Monday, April 30, 2018. **(Approved)**

2. Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, May 1, 2018. **(Approved)**

b) EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

3. Amendment No. 8 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20140616 with Central Valley Ambulance Authority for the provision of trauma and verified ambulance services 24 hours per day/7 days per week. This Amendment updates Exhibit "B" Compensation, increasing the annual compensation amount by \$3,597.24 due to a cost increase from the Skagit County Auditor's Office. The new total monthly compensation amount shall be \$214,358.10. The term remains the same and ends December 31, 2018. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and subsequent Amendments shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20180050)**

c) FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

4. Personal Services Agreement with Tri County Recycling, Inc. to supply labor, materials, equipment and supervision in providing recycling collection containers and weekly pickup services for Skagit County Facilities located in Burlington and Mount Vernon. Total compensation shall not exceed \$37,440 and is based on a rate schedule. The Agreement is ratified to commence on May 1, 2018, and shall continue until April 30, 2021. **(Contract No. C20180217)**

d) INFORMATION SERVICES:

5. Agreement with Duo Security, Inc. for the provision of a second factor authentication services for remote access to Skagit County's network. Compensation shall not exceed \$6,300 and is based on a fee schedule. The Agreement shall commence on June 7, 2018, and continue through June 6, 2019. **(Contract No. C20180218)**

e) PUBLIC HEALTH:

6. Personal Services Agreement with Community Environmental Health Strategies LLC to research and develop local policy options to achieve Public Health's goals in restricting smoking and vaping in public places, building off existing models in other Washington counties. Compensation shall not exceed \$10,000 and is based on a rate schedule. The Agreement shall commence on May 7, 2018, and continue until June 30, 2019. **(Contract No. C20180219)**

7. Personal Services Agreement with Northwest Educational Service District 189 to reduce health, social, and educational disparities for Skagit County children and youth, as well as study the outcomes and feasibility of implementing School-Based Health Centers in Skagit County. Compensation shall not exceed \$5,120 and is based on a fee schedule. The Agreement shall commence on May 7, 2018, and continue until March 31, 2019. **(Contract No. C20180220)**

8. Amendment No. 1 to Interlocal Cooperative Agreement No. C20170514 with Whatcom County to implement youth marijuana prevention activities as outlined in the Skagit County Work Plan. Whatcom County will lead and facilitate a regional strategic planning process, create a 5-year Strategic Plan for the North Sound Region Youth Marijuana Prevention and Education Program (YMPEP), and lead implementation of the developed plan. Due to an increase in funding from the state, this Amendment increases compensation by \$8,171 and extends the term by three months. Total reimbursement of costs shall not exceed \$28,721 and the Agreement shall continue through June 30, 2018. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20180051)**

f) PUBLIC WORKS:

9. Resolution appointing the 2018 Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) membership. **(Resolution No. R20180093)**
10. Resolution awarding the bid for electrical maintenance and repair services for the Guemes Island Ferry, Solid Waste, and Operations Divisions to VECA Electric Company, Inc. in the amount of \$105 per hour for straight time work, with a contract amount not to exceed \$100,000. **(Resolution No. R20180094)**
11. Resolution awarding the bid for the Samish Island Road Slide Repair Project #ES30910-3 to P & P Excavating, LLC in the amount of \$91,134.32. **(Resolution No. R20180095)**
12. Construction Contract Agreement with Trimaxx Construction, Inc. in the amount of \$1,007,130.35 for the Lafayette Road Improvements (Raspberry Ridge) Project #ES61400-1 per Resolution No. R20180081. Funding for his project is provided in part by Skagit County and in part by the Housing Authority of Skagit County per Contract No. C20180134 in the amount of \$293,739. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until project is completed. **(Contract No. C20180221)**
13. Resolution to issue a Request for Qualifications for Professional Engineering Design Services as part of the Francis Road Section 1, (Milepost 5.05 to Milepost 5.66) Project #ES79000-8. Submittal of statements of qualifications are due on May 31, 2018. **(Resolution No. R20180096)**

g) SHERIFF:

14. Resolution to amend Resolution No. R20160106 in order to increase the monetary amount of the Sheriff's Office Pro-Act Change Fund from \$500 to \$2,500 for paying unexpected law enforcement and investigative expenses. **(Resolution No. R20180097)**

3. 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 Serviced Corporation from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$153,600.70 (Transmittal No. C-68-18); and
 - b) Warrants numbered 480461 through 480754 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$2,187,283.56 (Transmittal No. C-70-18); and
 - c) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to Trusteed Plans Serviced Corporation from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$169,000.89 (Transmittal No. C-71-18); and
 - d) Warrants numbered 480756 through 480756 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$157.50 (Transmittal No. C-72-18).

4. Miscellaneous Agenda (2 items):

- a) PUBLIC HEALTH:

Chair Dahlstedt provided additional information about Miscellaneous Agenda item No. 1. He said that it had been recommended that Commissioner Wesen recuse himself from taking action on the item since he was on the Board of Community Action Agency of Skagit County which could be a potential recipient of funding from the program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve Miscellaneous Agenda item no. 1. Chair Dahlstedt seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

1. Resolution to call for a public hearing regarding the HOME Investment Partnerships Program to consider testimony regarding amendments to the Consolidated Plan for the years 2015 – 2017, the Annual Action Plans for 2016 and 2017 funding years, and the HOME Investment Partnerships Program Citizen Participation Plan. The public hearing is scheduled to take place on Wednesday, May 30, 2018, at 11:30 a.m. or as soon as possible thereafter in the Commissioners' Hearing Room. **(Resolution No. R20180098)**

The Clerk of the Board confirmed that Miscellaneous Agenda item no. 2 had arrived after the deadline to be considered by the Board on Consent Agenda. Public Health requested the Board's consideration under Miscellaneous Agenda so that it would not be delayed an additional week.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve Miscellaneous Agenda item no. 2. Commissioner Janicki seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

2. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with the Sedro-Woolley School District for the purpose of increasing the capacity to implement or maintain programs and practices that prevent or reduce maladaptive substance use, increase capacity to implement or maintain programs and practices targeting mental health promotion, provide workforce development opportunities for district employees addressing social and emotional determinates of health and learning, and to study the outcomes and feasibility of implementing a School-Based Health Center. Compensation shall not exceed \$109,500 and is based on a funding table. The Agreement is ratified to commence on May 1, 2018, and shall continue through June 30, 2019. **(Contract No. C20180222)**

Chair Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 1:54 p.m.

f) 2:30 p.m. - 2:45 p.m. Emergency Medical Services - Jeff Sargent, Director:

Chair Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 2:31 p.m.

1. Presentation/Possible Action: Resolution for the Placement of Ballot Measure: Skagit County - Proposition No. 1, Continuation of Emergency Medical Services Levy (Skagit County EMS System) on the August 7, 2018, Primary Election and if Necessary the November 6, 2018, General Election

EMS Director Jeff Sargent presented the Resolution for the Commissioners' Consideration to place Proposition No. 1 for the continuation of the Emergency Medical Services Levy on the August 7, 2018 primary election (and if necessary on the November 6, 2018 general election). The current EMS levy would be expiring at the end of 2018. The new levy would begin January 1, 2019 and continue for 6 years.

Discussion followed regarding why the levy was funded by property tax.

A motion was made by Commissioner Janicki to approve the Resolution placing a ballot measure: Skagit County - Proposition No. 1, Continuation of Emergency Medical Services Levy (Skagit County EMS System) on the August 7, 2018, Primary Election and if Necessary the November 6, 2018, General Election (**Resolution No. R20180099**) Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Dahlstedt noted that the proposed ballot included a slight increase in funding, that there had not been an increase in funding for 6 years, and costs had only continued to increase over the last 6 years. He thanked EMS providers for proving high quality service.

Chair Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 2:38 p.m.

g) 3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Presentation: Proposed Project by the Northwest Washington Fair

Chair Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 2:48 p.m. and introduced Whatcom County Executive Jack Louws.

Executive Louws briefed the Commissioners on an opportunity to join Whatcom County and the Northwest Washington Fair in funding a facility that would enhance research in North Whatcom County and support and enhance agriculture. He said that Whatcom County had provided Skagit County funds in the mid-2000's towards a research facility (WSU Extension Center) and he hoped that Skagit County would provide reciprocal funds for their project.

Mr. Louws invited General Manager Jim Baron of Northwest Washington Fair to provide additional information about the facility.

Mr. Baron shared a story that highlighted the shift in population from farming to city and urban lifestyles. 55 years ago, when he was in grade school, he said more than half of the children in his class lived on a farm. Mr. Baron visited his granddaughter's school and said that none of the children in her class lived on a farm.

This shift has led to a disconnection and misconceptions about where food comes from and the work farmers do. Mr. Baron said that an exhibit had been put together for the annual fair: *Farming for Life*. It was educational and highlighted what farmers do. After receiving many comments from visitors about the impact of the exhibit, the idea was formed to enhance the exhibit and make it available to the public year-round.

General Manager Brad Rader of Rader Farms was introduced and was in charge of moving the project forward. He shared a video about the farming lifestyle and discussed the types of exhibits that would be included in the research and learning facility. He said there was a similar facility in Oregon, the SAVE Center, and others throughout the states that focused on reconnecting people to farming. Mr. Rader discussed funding that had been obtained to date for the facility and exhibits.

Mr. Louws said that they were asking Skagit County to consider contributing \$180,000 towards the agricultural research center project.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Louws, Mr. Baron, and Mr. Rader for the presentation and were supportive in finding a way to partner with them on the project.

Chair Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 3:26 pm.

h) *5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. East County Public Forum (Concrete High School Commons, 7830 South Superior Avenue, Concrete)

The Commissioners attended a public forum at the Concrete High School in Concrete with other elected officials and staff from Skagit County, as well as elected officials and staff from partner agencies to meet with community members to discuss concerns and answer questions. Multiple topics were discussed.

An audio recording was taken of the meeting and can be requested by contacting the Commissioner's Office.

III. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Dahlstedt adjourned the proceedings at 6:50 p.m.

**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chair

Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board