

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
TUESDAY, JUNE 5, 2018**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, June 5, 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 10:05 a.m. and announced that they were going into an executive session regarding potential litigation.

II. AGENDA:

a) *10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Executive Session (Potential Litigation - RCW 42.30.110(1)(i))

The Commissioners attended an executive session on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, from 10:07 a.m. to 10:45 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: Prosecutor Rich Weyrich, Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Melinda Miller and Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Will Honea. Other attendees included: Skagit County Administrator Tim Holloran, Director of Planning and Development Services Hal Hart, and Senior Planner/Natural Resources Team Supervisor Betsy Stevenson.

Chair Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 10:46 a.m.

b) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 11:00 a.m. and led the gallery in the salute to the flag.

c) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Discussion/Possible Action: Award of Grant Funding for Economic Development/Public Facilities Projects

Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue provided an overview of the funding source used to award grants for public infrastructure projects that created, or retained, family wage jobs. The program started in 1998 and Skagit County was able to offer the program until August of 2032.

Ms. Logue said that the Board of County Commissioners called for projects almost annually and that for the current cycle, 21 applications totaling \$7.5 million had been received. Available funding for the cycle totaled only \$2.8 million. Ms. Logue said that the Advisory Committee met on May 29, 2018, after hearing presentations from the applicants to discuss funding recommendations.

The Committee Funding Recommendations can be found here:

<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/06042018/>

The Commissioners asked questions and discussion was held regarding how the Committee came to their conclusion and why certain projects had not received funding. The main reason was because it was felt that in many cases, other funding sources could be pursued.

It was pointed out that the recommendation had been fully supported by the entire committee, and that the committee expressed regret about not having more funding available to award to more of the applicants.

A motion was made by Commissioner Wesen to approve the Committee's recommendation and execute the Resolution awarding funding as discussed (**Resolution No. R20180116**). Commissioner Janicki seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Dahlstedt thanked the Committee and recessed the proceedings at 11:13 a.m.

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

Chair Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 11:30 a.m.

1. County and Individual Success Stories

No one provided county and individual success stories.

2. Public Comment Period

Arlene Salt from the Seventh Day Adventist Church in Mount Vernon and two gentlemen experiencing homelessness, Keith Johnson and Kevin Anderson, talked about the cold weather shelter at the church, the need to install a sprinkler system, and homelessness issues.

A brief discussion was held regarding these topics with the Commissioners.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

No miscellaneous announcements were made.

III. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Dahlstedt adjourned the proceedings at 11:49 a.m.

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

Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chair

Lisa Janicki, Commissioner

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board