

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS  
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2018**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, November 20, 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 9:01 a.m.

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

III. AGENDA:

a) 9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Public Works - Dan Berentson, Director:

1. Update: Burlington Northern Overpass Project

Project Manager Jennifer Swanson showed photographs of the bridge construction site and shared that the bridge would not be able to open until the U.S. made, chain-link fence material arrived and was installed by the sub-contractor.

Chair Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 9:12 a.m.

b) \*9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Monthly Briefing with Department of Emergency Management

c) 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Presentation from Central Skagit Library Board Members - New Library Partnership and Facility

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

Library Director Jeanne Williams and Chair of the Central Skagit Library Board Mary Alice Grobins were present to provide an overview of the new library construction project and partnership with the City of Sedro-Woolley. Present in the audience was Board Vice Chair Mindy Coslor and Board Trustee Lynn Torset.

Ms. Grobins provided an overview of the new library construction project, financing of the construction project, and showed concept illustrations of the building and spaces.

Director Williams briefed the Commissioners on the partnership that had been formed with the City of Sedro-Woolley Library and improvements that had been made to the current city library. She reported that circulation had gone up 20% since the Central Skagit Library and City of Sedro-Woolley Library had consolidated.

Questions, answers and discussion followed. The Commissioners were looking forward to the community library opening in 2020.

The overview provided by Central Skagit Library can be found here:  
<ftp://ftp.skagitcounty.net/countycommissioners/documents/agendapackets/11192018/>

Chair Dahlstedt recessed the proceedings at 10:25 a.m.

d) 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Washington State University (WSU) Skagit County Extension Program Update - Don McMoran, Director

Chair Dahlstedt reconvened the proceedings at 10:30 a.m. and introduced WSU Extension Director Don McMoran. Mr. McMoran appreciated the opportunity to provide the quarterly update and he introduced Alex duPont, Master Gardener Program Coordinator.

Ms. duPont provided an update of the Master Gardeners Program and was happy to report that the program was going so well that they now had a wait-list for future classes.

Master Gardener Al Call provided an update on the living tribute to Skagit County residents who gave their lives in World War I. The living tribute was the restoration of Elm trees on Memorial Highway (State Route 536).

Kate Seymour with the Small Farms Program provided an update on the WSU WISE: Water Irrigation System Efficiency, Cultivating Success program, and their work with the Washington Blueberry Commission.

Diane Smith with the Family Living Program provided an update on the Migrant Leaders Club, Youth Advocates for Health, and Teens as Teacher.

Entomology Coordinator Talea Price and Pest Board Technician Charles Coslor, PhD provided an update on work being performed for the control of horticultural pests. Details were provided on the current pests currently being monitored: Spotted Wing Drosophila, Potato Psyllid, Brown Marmorated Stink Bug, Codling Moth, and the Apple Maggot.

Director McMoran provided information about upcoming workshops from December 2018 through April 2019.

Part way through the proceedings, Chair Dahlstedt was excused to attend another meeting.

Link to information provided in session can be found here:

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Commissioner Wesen recessed the proceedings at 11:30 a.m.

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

Commissioner Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 11:35 a.m.

1. County and Individual Success Stories

No one was present to provide county or individual success stories.

2. Public Comment Period

No one was present to provide public comment.

3. Miscellaneous Announcements

The Commissioners commented on the Washington State Association of Counties Leaders Conference they had attended and also provided comments about Thanksgiving.

IV. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Wesen adjourned the proceedings at 11:38 a.m.

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SKAGIT COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Kenneth A. Dahlstedt, Chair

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ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board