

**RECORD OF THE PROCEEDINGS
SKAGIT COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026**

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, April 6, 2026, with Chair Ron Wesen, Commissioner Peter Browning, and Commissioner Joe Burns present.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Wesen called the proceedings to order at 9:00 a.m.

II. AGENDA:

a) 9:00 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Work Session with Risk Management

The Commissioners held a work session with Risk Management to review possible revisions to the Risk Management Policy.

Attendees:

Chair Ron Wesen
Commissioner Peter Browning
Commissioner Joe Burns
County Administrator Trisha Logue
Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Johnson
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Erik Pedersen
Human Resources and Risk Management Director Bonnie Beddall
Risk and Safety Manager Mary Houben

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 9:27 a.m.

b) *10:30 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 10:30 a.m. and led the gallery in the salute to the flag.

c) *10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Discussion/Public Comment/Possible Action: To Consider a Resolution Authorizing the Issuance and Sale of Limited Tax General Obligation Refunding Bonds for the Purpose of Refunding Certain Outstanding Bonds of the County.

Chair Wesen introduced County Administrator/Budget and Finance Director Trisha Logue.

Ms. Logue provided an overview of the proposed Resolution to refund certain bonds. The Resolution updated and superseded a similar action taken in 2024 through Resolution No. R20240273. Shortly afterwards, interest rates became unfavorable, preventing the issuance of a sale to refund the bonds. The County was now ready to reconsider refunding the bonds and had worked with bond counsel Foster Garvey to prepare the updated Resolution for the Board's consideration.

Stacie Amasaki with Foster Garvey provided background on her work with Foster Garvey, with prior bond counsel contracted by Skagit County, and reviewed the terms of the proposed Resolution.

Discussion was held on the process, refund timeline, interest rates, and cost savings.

Matt Schoenfeld of PFM provided additional information about the process of selling and buying bonds and answered additional questions from the Board.

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns to approve the Resolution authorizing the issuance and sale of limited tax general obligation refunding bonds as outlined by staff. **(Resolution No. R20260069)** Commissioner Browning seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 10:44 a.m.

d) *11:15 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Proclamation Recognizing April as Volunteer Appreciation Month

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 11:15 a.m. and introduced Community Action of Skagit County Director of Community Engagement Liz Jennings.

Ms. Jennings said this was the 13th year they had been celebrating volunteers in Skagit County. The Skagit Volunteer Center had over 200 agencies that posted volunteer opportunities at www.SkagitVolunteerCenter.org and they enjoyed matching volunteers to organizations.

Ms. Jennings reviewed some of the benefits of volunteering which benefited the community as well as the individual. Studies found that volunteers lived longer and were more socially connected. Youths who volunteered had a risk reduction and felt more connected to their community.

Ms. Jennings shared an invitation to the 3rd annual Lead & Serve Expo Fair which was taking place on May 1, 2026 at 11:30 a.m. at Skagit Valley College in the Cardinal Center. The event highlighted volunteer opportunities with non-profits and government agencies.

Guest speakers from partner agencies provided additional information about volunteer opportunities and impacts made by volunteers through their organizations. Other speakers included Skagit County DEM Chief Julie de Losada, Skagit County DEM Sergeant Paul Wolf, Volunteer Program Manager & Affiliate Data Manager of Planned Parenthood of Greater Washington and North Idaho Jade Phillips, Volunteer Coordinator for Children of the Valley Yasmeen Davila, Volunteer Coordinator of Skagit Fisheries Enhancement Group Kelly Williams, and members including Viveka Hall-Holt from Paths to Understanding.

The Commissioners thanked volunteers for contributing to the resiliency of Skagit County and Commissioner Browning read the Proclamation recognizing April as Volunteer Appreciation Month.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 11:51 a.m.

e) 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) Virtual Assembly hosted by WSAC

- f) *1:00 p.m. - 1:20 p.m. Proclamation Recognizing April 8 as Washington State Arbor Day and April 24 as National Arbor Day

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 1:00 p.m. and introduced Skagit Conservation District Manger Emmett Wild.Mr. Wild and Forester Nick Kunz provided information about Arbor Day and the benefits of trees for the environment, as a renewable resource providing family wage jobs, and as a source of beauty in the community.

Commissioner Burns read the Proclamation recognizing Arbor Day.

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 1:21 p.m.

- g) *1:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m. Consent Agenda, Vouchers, Warrants and Miscellaneous Items:

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 1:30 p.m.

1. Public Comment (Specifically related to the agenda item)

The Commissioners commented on Consent Agenda items 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 14, 18, and 19.Item 15 did not make it to the Board in time for consideration, was being removed from Consent Agenda, and would come forward at a later date.

2. CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY, APRIL 6, 2026 (items 1 through 21):

A motion was made by Commissioner Browning to approve Consent Agenda Items 1 through 14, and 16 through 21, including all items requiring ratification, vouchers and warrants for Monday, April 6, 2026. Commissioner Burns seconded the motion.

The vote passed unanimously.

- a) COMMISSIONERS:

1. Record of the Proceedings for Monday, March 30, 2026. **(Approved)**
2. Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, March 31, 2026. **(Approved)**
3. Resolution to award the bid for Skagit County Legal Printing from 2026-2027 to Skagit Publishing in the amount of \$10.76 per column inch. The bid opening was held on Monday, March 9, 2026 at 1:15 p.m. in the Skagit County Commissioners Hearing Room. **(Resolution No. R20260070)**

- b) ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES:

4. Amendment No. 2 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20250199 with Communication Resources Northwest, LLC to assist Skagit County with communications, organizational development and leadership consulting services. This Amendment increases compensation from \$125,000 to an amount not to exceed \$135,000. The term remains the same and shall continue until December 31, 2027. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendment shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260060)**

- c) BUDGET AND FINANCE:

5. Funding Agreement with Sedro-Woolley Riding and Racing Club to award \$5,000 of Lodging Tax funds to support tourism promotion. The Agreement commenced on January 1, 2026, per Resolution No.

R20260246, and shall continue through December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260126)**

d) DISTRICT COURT:

6. Opt-In Agreement with Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts (AOC) and Tyler Technologies, Inc. to use Tyler Technologies, Inc. Defendant Access Software to process electronic payments for e-Filing software and services per Agreement PSC21427 between the AOC and Tyler Technologies, Inc. No compensation is associated with this Agreement. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and a separate Agreement between Skagit County District Court and Tyler Technologies, Inc. will be executed. **(Contract No. C20260127)**
7. Payment Processing Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. to receive access to e-Filing software and services through a license purchased by the Washington State Administrative Office of the Courts for Courts of Limited Jurisdiction and Superior Courts. No compensation is associated with this Agreement. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until terminated. **(Contract No. C20260128)**

e) FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

8. Vendor Services Agreement with Absolute Plumbing to repair a damaged underground waterline at the Skagit County Data Center located at 2915 East College Way in Mount Vernon. Total compensation shall not exceed \$6,840.47. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue through December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260129)**

f) INFORMATION SERVICES:

9. Net Term Account Application with Cardio Partners to process an application for a line of credit in the amount of \$12,500 for authorized purchases. The Application will commence on the date of execution and continue until terminated. **(Contract No. C20260130)**

g) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES:

10. Personal Services Agreement with Pacific Surveying & Engineering Services to provide Development Plan Review and Site Inspection Services on stormwater permitting in compliance with Skagit County Code and Washington State Department of Ecology Stormwater Manual for Western Washington. Work assignments will be approved through Task Orders. Compensation shall not exceed \$50,000 and is based on a rate schedule. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until March 31, 2027. **(Contract No. C20260131)**

h) PUBLIC HEALTH:

11. Amendment No. 1 to County Program Agreement No. C20250323 with the State of Washington Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS No. 2563-63160) Division of Developmental Disabilities to provide employment and services to individuals with developmental disabilities. This Amendment reduces compensation from the state to Skagit County for FY2026 from \$3,518,858 to \$3,155,858. The term remains the same and shall continue until June 30, 2027. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260061)**
12. Resolution authorizing the approval and signature of documents in connection with the Remnant Defendant Settlement: Associated Pharmacies, Inc. (and American Associated Pharmacies); J M Smith Corporation; Louisiana Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; Morris and Dickson Co.; North Carolina Mutual Wholesale Drug Company, Inc.; and United Natural Foods, Inc. (including its subsidiaries SuperValu and

Advantage Logistics) Opioid Settlements and designating Chair Ron Wesen as the authorized representative to sign the Allocation Agreement(s) and other necessary documents. **(Resolution No. R20260071)**

13. Resolution authorizing the Skagit County Treasurer to distribute 2% of the liquor excise taxes and profits to Fund 115 for the provision of substance use disorder treatment and prevention programs administered by Skagit County Public Health. This Resolution supersedes Resolution No. R20060042. **(Resolution No. R20260072)**
14. Resolution to approve signature delegation to the County Administrator or Deputy County Administrator for the limited purpose of transferring ownership of a donated vehicle for a transportation program to serve low-income and unhoused Skagit County residents as outlined in Personal Services Agreement No. C20250623 with Skagit Transit and A20260004 with Helping Hands Food Bank of Skagit Valley. **(Resolution No. R20260073)**

i) PUBLIC WORKS:

15. Resolution calling for bids for the Public Works Card Lock Fueling Services. The bid opening is scheduled to take place on Monday, May 18, 2026, at 12:45 p.m., or as soon thereafter as possible in the Skagit County Commissioners Hearing Room located at 1800 Continental Place in Mount Vernon. Attendance will be in-person, by phone: 1 (253) 215-8782 Meeting ID: 871 8000 1980, or remote at <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/87180001980?pwd=eEVGUGkxZ3NkQkhYSnhBMEo2RTQrdz09> **(Item removed)**
16. Resolution authorizing Chair Ron Wesen and County Administrator Trisha Logue to electronically sign the submission of Amendment No. 5 to Contract No. C20200574 with the Washington State Department of Ecology (Toxics Cleanup Remedial Action Grant Program Agreement No. TCPRA-1921-SkCoPW-00017). **(Resolution No. R20260074)**
17. Amendment No. 5 to Contract No. C20200574 with the Washington State Department of Ecology (Toxics Cleanup Remedial Action Grant Program Agreement No. TCPRA-1921-SkCoPW-00017) to cover the implementation of remediation activities and applicable post-closure work at March Point (Whitmarsh) Landfill. This Amendment increases the Engineering task budget by \$80,000, increases the Administration task budget by \$70,000, and decreases the Construction task budget by \$150,000. Total compensation to Skagit County remains the same and shall not exceed \$5,000,000. The term remains the same and shall continue until June 30, 2027. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendments shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260062)**
18. Amendment No. 1 to Vendor Services Agreement No. C20240229 with ZF Marine Propulsion Systems Miramar, LLC for the purchase of parts and services for the Skagit County Ferry transmissions; this is to include, but may not be limited to, complete overhaul of the gears, pursuant to Sole Source Resolution No. R20110060. This Amendment extends the term for one (1) additional year to continue until May 13, 2027. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$100,000. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260063)**
19. Amendment No. 1 to Construction Contract Agreement No. C20250237 with Strider Construction Co. Inc. for the 2025 March's Point (Whitmarsh) Landfill Remediation Project #WM33-14-2. This Amendment modifies and adds bid items and increases compensation. Total compensation shall not exceed \$11,261,899.77. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260064)**

20. Amendment No. 5 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20210071 with WSP USA Inc., formerly WSP USA Environmental & Infrastructure Inc., to provide environmental expertise and consulting services to assist Skagit County in the remediation of Whitmarsh/March Point Landfill Cleanup Action Plan. This Amendment updates the contractor's name, adds additional tasks to the Scope of Work, extends the Agreement from December 31, 2026 to June 30, 2027, and increases compensation to \$4,713,300. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendments shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260065)**

j) SHERIFF:

21. Resolution accepting the proposal for Jail/Juvenile Detention Food and Commissary Services from Summit Correctional Services. The Request for Proposals was released on December 23, 2025 to the public and the due date was February 19, 2026. **(Resolution No. R20260075)**

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 HMA from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$83,797.37 (Transmittal No. C-77-26); and
- b) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HealthEquity from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$11,350.47 (Transmittal No. C-78-26); and
- c) Warrants numbered 615974 through 616364 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$2,636,866.18 (Transmittal No. C-79-26).

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 1:37 p.m.

h) 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Work Session with Public Works

Chair Wesen reconvened the proceedings at 2:00 p.m.

The Commissioners held a work session with Public Works to discuss oversized vehicle fare corrections.

Attendees:

Chair Ron Wesen

Commissioner Peter Browning

Commissioner Joe Burns

County Administrator Trisha Logue

Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Johnson

Public Works Director Michael See

Assistant Public Works Director Marie Lambert

County Engineer Tom Weller

Ferry Operations Division Manager Rachel Rowe

Communications Manager Jenn Rogers

- i) 3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Executive Session (None Scheduled as of the Date of this Notice)

No executive sessions were scheduled for the week of April 6, 2026.

III. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Wesen adjourned the proceedings at 2:44 p.m.

*Note, to obtain an audio or video recording of this meeting; please contact the Skagit County Commissioners' office.

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

Lisa Janicki, Chair

Peter Browning, Commissioner

Ron Wesen, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board