

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, September 15, 2026, with Chair Ron Wesen, Commissioner Peter Browning, and Commissioner Joe Burns present.

I. [CALL TO ORDER:](#)

Commissioner Browning called the proceedings to order at 10:02 a.m.

II. [AGENDA:](#)

a) [10:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Commissioners' Briefing](#)

The purpose of the briefing was for the Commissioners to provide an update on items of interest from meetings they had attended and for Administrative Services to discuss any items of interest with the Board.

Attendees:

Chair Ron Wesen
Commissioner Peter Browning
Commissioner Joe Burns
County Administrator Trisha Logue
Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Johnson
Human Resources/Risk Management Director Bonnie Beddall
Communications Manager Jenn Rogers
Skagit Valley Herald Reporter Emma Fletcher-Frazer
Member of the public Michael Miller

Chair Wesen recessed the proceedings at 10:50 a.m.

b) [*11:30 a.m. Pledge of Allegiance](#)

Commissioner Browning reconvened the proceedings at 11:31 a.m. and led the attendees in the salute to the flag.

c) [*11:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m. Board of County Commissioners:](#)

1. [Public Comment Period](#)

Commissioner Browning read the Skagit County Board of County Commissioners - Rules of Decorum.

The following members of the public provided public comments: Larita Humble of Lake Cavanaugh commented on the need for recycling in her community; Ed Johnson of Skagit County commented on senior auto insurance; Elke Macartney of Anacortes commented on dangers of Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS); and Lora Stansbury Weiss of Skagit County commented on storing tissue and bone samples from unidentified bodies.

2. [County and Individual Success Stories](#)

None provided.

3. [Miscellaneous \(announcements, letters, etc.\)](#)

The Commissioners commented on various past and upcoming meetings.

Commissioner Browning recessed the proceedings at 11:52 a.m.

Link to public comment submitted:

<https://www.skagitcounty.net/CountyCommissioners/Documents/AgendaPackets/09142026.zip>

d) [*1:45 p.m. - 2:15 p.m. Public Works - Michael See, Director:](#)

Commissioner Browning reconvened the proceedings at 1:45 p.m.

County Engineer Tom Weller and Assistant Public Works Director Marie Lambert introduced the agenda item.

Engineering Technician Given Kutz provided a PowerPoint presentation highlighting Revision 2 to the 2026–2031 Six-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). Mr. Kutz noted that Revision 2 would add an additional project for the permanent replacement of the Jordan Creek Bridge over Rockport Cascade Road near Marblemount. He stated that the project would lengthen and replace the temporary bridge and would be funded by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). Information about the project phases and costs was provided.

Discussion ensued about construction of the temporary bridge and the span of the permanent bridge.

Link to PowerPoint presentation:

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1. [Public Hearing to Consider Testimony Regarding the 2026-2031 Six-year Transportation Improvement Program \(TIP\) Revision No. 2](#)

Commissioner Browning opened the public hearing at 1:54 p.m., seeing no public testimony forthcoming, Commissioner Burns made a motion to close the public hearing at 1:54 p.m., Commissioner Wesen seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

2. Possible Action - Approve the 2026-2031 Six-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Revision No. 2

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns to approve Revision No. 2 of the 2026-2031 Six-year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). **(Resolution No. R20260180)** Chair Wesen seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously.

III. [ADJOURNMENT:](#)

Commissioner Browning adjourned the proceedings at 1:58 p.m.

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

Ron Wesen, Chair

Peter Browning, Commissioner

Joe Burns, Commissioner

ATTEST:

Clerk of the Board