

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, February 9, 2026, with Commissioner Peter Browning, and Commissioner Joe Burns present. Chair Ron Wesen's absence was excused.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Browning called the proceedings to order at 8:47 a.m.

II. AGENDA:

- a) 8:45 a.m. - 9:45 a.m. Briefing - Planning and Development Services, Facilities Management, and Public Health

The purpose of the briefing was for Planning and Development Services, Facilities Management, and Public Health to provide an update.

Attendees:

Commissioner Peter Browning
Commissioner Joe Burns
County Administrator Trisha Logue
Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Johnson
Planning and Development Services Director Jack Moore
Facilities Management Director Ken Hansen
Public Health Director Monica Negrila
Human Resources/Risk Management Director Bonnie Beddall
Senior Human Resources Representative Jason Lewis
Communications Manager Jenn Rogers
Communicable Disease Manager Alex Gee
Communications Coordinator Andrea Harrison

Commissioner Browning recessed the proceedings at 9:29 a.m.

Link to briefings:

<https://www.skagitcounty.net/CountyCommissioners/Documents/AgendaPackets/02092026.zip>

- b) 10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Briefing - Public Works

Commissioner Browning reconvened the proceedings at 10:03 a.m.

The purpose of the Briefing was for Public Works to provide an update.

Attendees:

Commissioner Peter Browning
Commissioner Joe Burns
County Administrator Trisha Logue
Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Johnson
Public Works Director Mike See
Public Works Assistant Director Marie Lambert
County Engineer Tom Weller
Human Resources/Risk Management Director Bonnie Beddall
Communications Manager Jenn Rogers
Solid Waste Division Manager Margo Gillaspay
Natural Resources Division Manager Jenn Johnson
Member of the public Larita Humble

Commissioner Browning recessed the proceedings at 10:03 a.m.

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c) 10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Briefing - Central Services

Commissioner Browning reconvened the proceedings at 10:30 a.m.

The purpose of the Briefing was for Central Services to provide an update.

Attendees:

Commissioner Peter Browning
Commissioner Joe Burns
County Administrator Trisha Logue
Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Johnson
Central Services Director Russell Walker
Central Services Assistant Director Brian Young
Human Resources/Risk Management Director Bonnie Beddall
Senior Human Resources Representative Jason Lewis
Communications Manager Jenn Rogers

Commissioner Browning recessed the proceedings at 10:58 a.m.

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d) 11:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. Legislative Update with Columbia Policy Advisors

Commissioner Browning reconvened the proceedings at 11:00 a.m.

The purpose of the Briefing was to discuss updates for the 2026 legislative session.

Attendees:

Commissioner Peter Browning
Commissioner Joe Burns
County Administrator Trisha Logue
Deputy County Administrator Jennifer Johnson
Communications Manager Jenn Rogers
Human Resources/Risk Management Director Bonnie Beddall
Columbia Policy Advisors Consultant Josh Weiss
Columbia Policy Advisors Consultant Devin Gayton
Assessor Danny Hagen
Public Defender's Office Director Jeri Chavez
Department of Emergency Management Chief Julie de Losada
Treasurer Jackie Brunson
Planning and Development Services Director Jack Moore
County Clerk Melissa Beaton
Public Works Director Mike See
County Engineer Tom Weller
Skagit Valley Herald Reporter Emma Fletcher-Frazier

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

e) *1:30 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance

Commissioner Browning reconvened the proceedings at 1:30 p.m. and led the attendees in the salute the flag.

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

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

None provided.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:

The Commissioners discussed Consent Agenda items 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12.

3. CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2026 (items 1 through 14):

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns to approve the Consent Agenda items 1 through 14, including all items requiring ratification, vouchers and warrants for Monday, February 9, 2026. Commissioner Browning seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously. Chair Ron Wesen's absence was excused.

a) COMMISSIONERS:

1. Record of the Proceedings for Monday, February 2, 2026. **(Approved)**
2. Record of the Proceedings for Tuesday, February 3, 2026. **(Approved)**
3. Record of the Proceedings for Wednesday, February 4, 2026. **(Approved)**
4. Record of the Proceedings for Friday, February 6, 2026. **(Approved)**

b) EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES:

5. Personal Services Agreement with Mike Lanker, D.O., to provide assistance to the primary, appointed Skagit County EMS Physician Medical Program Director (MPD) pursuant to RCW 18.71.212. Compensation is based on rate schedule and shall not exceed \$3,342.35 per month. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260044)**

c) FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

6. Personal Services Agreement with OAC Services, Inc. to provide pre-bond planning, public outreach, and polling to support capital improvements at the Law and Justice Campus in Mount Vernon. Compensation is based on a fee schedule and shall not exceed \$190,000 plus applicable taxes. The Agreement shall commence on the date execution and continue until December 31, 2027. **(Contract No. C20260045)**

d) PARKS, RECREATION, AND FAIR:

7. Personal Services Agreement with Northwest Surveying and GPS to provide surveying, mapping, and related services for the Big Rock Park project located on Big Lake Road in Mount Vernon, Parcel No. P27660. Compensation shall not exceed \$6,000. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260046)**

e) PROSECUTING ATTORNEY:

8. Resolution to provide legal defense to Skagit County judicial officers Heather D. Shand, Elizabeth Y. Neidzowski, Laura M. Riquelme, Thomas L. Verge, Mary Crandell, Haley Sebens, Rebecca Carroll, and Patrick A. Eason in a lawsuit filed under Case Number 25-cv-02338-LK. **(Resolution No. R20260033)**

f) PUBLIC HEALTH:

9. Rental Agreement with Swinomish Indian Tribal Community dba Swinomish Casino & Lodge for use of the Event Center, set up, takedown, food and beverage service for a North Star Symposium taking place on May 21, 2026. Compensation shall not exceed \$11,600. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 15, 2026, and continue until June 30, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260047)**
10. Personal Services Agreement with New Earth Recovery to operate three (3) Recovery Residences that will house a monthly average of sixteen (16) people seeking to maintain recovery from substance use disorders. Compensation is based on a rate schedule and shall not exceed \$230,004. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260048)**
11. Personal Services Agreement with Northwest Regional Council to provide Recovery Care Coordination (RCC) Services to eligible individuals with moderate to severe behavioral health disorders. Compensation is based

