

The Skagit County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Monday, March 2, 2026, with Commissioner Peter Browning, and Commissioner Joe Burns present. Chair Ron Wesen's absence was excused.

I. CALL TO ORDER:

Commissioner Browning called the proceedings to order at 8:45 a.m.

II. AGENDA:

- a) 8:45 a.m. - 10:15 a.m. Briefing - Public Works, Planning and Development Services, Public Health, Emergency Medical Services, Parks, Recreation, and Fair

The purpose of the briefing was for Public Works, Planning and Development Services, Public Health, Emergency Medical Services, Parks, Recreation, and Fair to provide an update.

Attendees:

Commissioner Peter Browning  
Commissioner Joe Burns  
County Administrator Trisha Logue  
Chief Civil Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Erik Pedersen  
Public Works Director Mike See  
Public Works Assistant Director Marie Lambert  
County Engineer Tom Weller  
Emergency Medical Services Director Josh Pelonio  
Planning and Development Services Director Jack Moore  
Public Health Director Monica Negrila  
Parks, Recreation and Fair Director Brian Adams  
Human Resources/Risk Management Director Bonnie Beddall  
Senior Human Resources Representative Jason Lewis  
Human Resources Representative Rachele Stohl  
Communications Manager Jenn Rogers  
Public Works Assistant County Engineer Gael Fisk  
Natural Resources Division Manager Jenn Johnson  
Communicable Disease Manager Alex Gee  
Communications Coordinator Andrea Harrison  
Public Defender's Office Director Jeri Chavez

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

Link to briefing documents:

<https://www.skagitcounty.net/CountyCommissioners/Documents/AgendaPackets/03022026.zip>

- b) [\\*1:30 p.m. Pledge of Allegiance](#)

Commissioner Browning reconvened the proceedings at 1:31 p.m. and led the attendees in the salute to the flag.

- c) \*1:30 p.m. - 2:00 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 7, 9, 10, 11, 14, 18, 24, 25, 27, 28, and 34, and noted that items 6, 29, and 30 had been pulled; they will be considered at a later date.

3. [CONSENT AGENDA FOR MONDAY, MARCH 2, 2026 \(items 1 through 35\):](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns to approve the Consent Agenda items 1 through 5, items 7 through 28, and items 31 through 35 including all items requiring ratification, vouchers and warrants for Monday, March 2, 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 Tuesday, February 17, 2026. **(Approved)**
2. Record of the Proceedings for Wednesday, February 18, 2026. **(Approved)**
3. Resolution approving the reappointment of Wood Weiss as the BLS Transport Provider Representative member of the Skagit County Emergency Medical Services and Trauma Care Council Advisory Board for a three-year term ending on February 28, 2029. **(Resolution No. R20260040)**

b) FACILITIES MANAGEMENT:

4. Amendment No. 1 to Vendor Services Agreement No. C20260053 with Absolute Plumbing, Inc. to provide necessary sewer repairs and restore/test the system to ensure it is fully operational at the Skagit County Public Defender's Building located at 121 Broadway Street in Mount Vernon. This Amendment increases compensation by \$6,841 for the installation of a sewer lift station. Total compensation shall not exceed \$19,275.01. The term remains the same and shall continue until December 31, 2026. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260034)**
5. Amendment No. 1 to Personal Services Agreement No. C20240119 with Orkin Pest Control to supply all labor, disposal, materials, equipment, and certifications necessary for the provision of pest control services at various Skagit County facilities. This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement by one (1) year and will continue until April 30, 2027. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$15,000. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260035)**
6. Personal Services Agreement with Learned Commercial, Inc. to market County-owned property located at 508 South 2nd Street in Mount Vernon and to identify a tenant. Compensation shall not exceed \$12,310. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2026. **(This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda; it will be considered at a later date.)**
7. Amendment No. 1 to AIA Standard Form of Agreement No. C20250385 with Copper Mechanical LLC for the installation of the Skagit County Physical Barriers Improvement Project at the Community Justice Center located at 201 Suzanne Lane in Mount Vernon. This Amendment increases compensation by \$152,789.13 plus tax due to a required change in design. The term is expected to continue until July 31, 2026. Total compensation shall not exceed \$1,194,789.13 plus applicable taxes. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260036)**

c) HUMAN RESOURCES:

8. Memorandum of Agreement (Amendment No. 3) to Collective Bargaining Agreement No. C20250305 between Skagit County and Professional and Technical Employees (PROTEC 17): Department of Emergency Management (DEM), Public Health, Geographic Information Services (GIS), and Planning and Development Services. This Amendment extends the County's temporary Voluntary Resignation and Retirement Incentive Program (Resolution No. R20260003) to PROTEC 17 members. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendments shall remain in effect, including the term which continues through December 31, 2026. **(Amendment No. A20260037)**

d) PARKS, RECREATION AND FAIR:

9. Deed of Right with the State of Washington through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) and Funding Board to use land for public outdoor recreation purposes for the Big Rock Park Acquisition, RCO Project No. 24-1350. This Deed is for the Yudwasta (Of the Heart) Skagit Land

Trust property identified by Parcel Numbers P27651, P27655, P27660 and P27661. The Deed will continue in perpetuity. **(Contract No. C20260061)**

10. Deed of Right with the State of Washington through the Washington State Recreation and Conservation Office (RCO) and Funding Board to use land for public outdoor recreation purposes for the Big Rock Park Acquisition, RCO Project No. 24-1350. This Deed is for the Little Rock (Rak and Dunlap) property identified by Parcel Numbers P27643 and P27663. The Deed will continue in perpetuity. **(Contract No. C20260062)**
  11. Personal Services Agreement with Washington Trails Association to provide trail maintenance volunteers and provide the tools and crew leaders necessary to train them in techniques of trail maintenance and construction for 20 work events at Big Rock Park and other Skagit County Parks as assigned. Compensation is based on a reimbursement schedule and shall not exceed \$35,000. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260063)**
  12. Personal Services Agreement with Semrau Engineering and Survey PLLC to provide civil engineering, land surveying, and permitting services at various Skagit County Parks and at the Skagit County Fairgrounds. Compensation is based on fee schedule and shall not exceed \$25,000. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260064)**
- e) PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT SERVICES:
13. Amendment No. 1 to Vendor Services Agreement No. C20250066 with Bayhill Wastewater Services, LLC to be the certified operator in charge of, and responsible for, the routine operations and maintenance of the Edison Subarea Large Onsite Septic System as required to maintain compliance with Skagit County's waste discharge permit ST0045515. This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement to March 30, 2027. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$38,500. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260038)**
- f) PUBLIC HEALTH:
14. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with City of Mount Vernon to set forth the duties between the City and the County regarding a law enforcement embedded social worker program that employs a social worker to provide outreach and engagement to enhance and assist in community support services to vulnerable populations. Compensation is based on reimbursement for services and shall not exceed \$77,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260065)**
  15. Personal Services Agreement with Pioneer Human Services to provide safe, stable, transitional housing and services to up to ten (10) individuals at a time who have mental health disorders and/or substance use disorders. Compensation shall not exceed \$300,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260066)**
  16. Personal Services Agreement with Mount Baker Presbyterian Church to provide a rented location for substance use disorder treatment, outreach, peer services, and other services to residents of Skagit County. Compensation is based on a reimbursement schedule and shall not exceed \$30,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260067)**
  17. Interlocal Cooperative Agreement with Skagit Conservation District to coordinate a volunteer shellfish sampling program for marine biotoxin monitoring in Skagit County. Compensation shall not exceed \$4,200. The Agreement is ratified to commence on August 1, 2025, and shall continue through June 30, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260068)**
  18. Personal Services Agreement with Recovery Café Skagit to provide a location for the provision of comprehensive recovery support services to individuals in recovery from mental health, substance use, and co-occurring disorders. Compensation is based on a reimbursement schedule and shall not exceed \$450,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260069)**

19. Personal Services Agreement with Work Opportunities to provide Individualized Supported Employment, Group Supported Employment, and Community Inclusion services to eligible individuals with developmental disabilities. Compensation is based on a fee schedule and shall not exceed \$125,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until June 30, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260070)**
20. Personal Services Agreement with Sherwood Community Services to provide Individualized Employment, Group Supported Employment, and Community Inclusion services to eligible individuals with developmental disabilities. Compensation is based on a reimbursement schedule and shall not exceed \$325,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until June 30, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260071)**
21. Personal Services Agreement with Lifeline Connections to provide case management and recovery support services to individuals enrolled in the Skagit County Adult Felony Drug Court. Compensation is based on a fee schedule and shall not exceed \$147,364 and is funded through Skagit County Contract No. C20250540 with the Washington State Health Care Authority (HCA). The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260072)**
- g) PUBLIC WORKS:
  22. Resolution electing to receive National Forest related safety-net payments under PL 106-393-Secure Rural Schools and Community Self Determination Act of 2000 for federal fiscal year 2026. **(Resolution No. R20260041)**
  23. Vendor Services Agreement with Van's Equipment Co. for equipment rental for various projects as needed. Compensation is based on an equipment rental fee schedule and shall not exceed \$47,000. The Agreement is ratified to commence on March 1, 2026, and shall continue for one (1) year. **(Contract No. C20260073)**
  24. Amendment No. 1 to Vendor Services Agreement No. C20260050 with Carlson Construction, Inc. for the removal of large woody debris from North Fork Bridge on Best Road. This Amendment updates the term of the Agreement from date of execution to February 1, 2026, and shall continue for two (2) years. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$15,000. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260039)**
  25. Grant Sub-Award Agreement with Northwest Straits Foundation for the award of \$34,500 for services pursuant to Skagit County Marine Resources Committee (MRC) operations and projects, including Task 4: Derelict Crab Pots, under the Department of Ecology Grant OTGP-2026-SkCoPW-00107 (Skagit County Contract No. C20260014). The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2027. **(Contract No. C20260074)**
  26. Amendment No. 2 to Vendor Services Agreement No. C20250238 with IMAC Inc., dba Fusion Lining Services, to provide welding services at the Skagit County Transfer and Recycling Station and its satellite sites (Sauk and Clear Lake). This Amendment increases compensation from \$89,000 to an amount not to exceed \$175,000, due to equipment requiring welding repairs. The term remains unchanged and shall continue until May 1, 2027. All other terms and conditions of the original agreement and prior Amendment shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260040)**
  27. Resolution authorizing Chair Ron Wesen and County Administrator Trisha Logue to electronically sign the submission of Amendment No. 1 to Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE) Water Quality Combined Financial Assistance Agreement (No. WQC-2025-SkCoPW-00010) to provide funding to improve water quality in the Little Indian Slough and Padilla Bay through design and future installation of stormwater treatment facilities at the Skagit County Recycling and Transfer Station in the City of Mount Vernon. **(Resolution No. R20260042)**
  28. Amendment No. 1 to Washington State Department of Ecology (DOE) Water Quality Combined Financial Assistance Agreement (No. WQC-2025-SkCoPW-00010) to provide funding to improve water quality in the Little Indian Slough and Padilla Bay through design and future installation of stormwater treatment facilities at the Skagit County Recycling and Transfer Station in the City of Mount Vernon. This Amendment extends the term of the Agreement to July 1, 2026. Compensation remains the same, with

DOE providing \$113,437 in grant funding and Skagit County contributing \$20,018.29 for a total compensation amount not to exceed \$133,455.29. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260041)**

29. Lease Agreement with Acrow Corporation of America to provide for the rental of components to construct a 170-foot-long bridge over Jordan Creek on Rockport Cascade Road for the purposes of re-establishing the detour for the Skagit River Marblemount Bridge Project. It is anticipated that the temporary bridge will be in place for approximately ten (10) months. Compensation is based on an initial four-month rental of \$177,300 and a monthly rental rate of \$28,300 thereafter. The Agreement is ratified to commence on February 20, 2026, and shall continue until the removal and return of the bridge. **(This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda; it will be considered at a later date.)**

30. Emergency Construction Agreement with Franklin Pacific Construction Co. for the installation of a temporary Acrow Corporation of America, 170-foot-long bridge over Jordan Creek on Rockport Cascade Road for the purposes of reestablishing the detour for the Skagit River Marblemount Bridge Project. The Agreement shall commence on March 2, 2026, and shall continue until project completion. **(This item was pulled from the Consent Agenda; it will be considered at a later date.)**

31. Vendor Services Agreement with Sonshine Tree Care LLC to provide hazardous tree removal for trees that are located within the County right-of-way and that are beyond the capabilities of the County crews due to size, complexity, or specialized equipment requirements. Compensation is based on a rate schedule and shall not exceed \$35,000. The Agreement shall commence on the date of execution and shall continue for one (1) year. **(Contract No. C20260075)**
- h) SHERIFF'S OFFICE:
32. Resolution authorizing Skagit County Sheriff's Office Chief of Field Operations Chris Baldwin to electronically sign the submission of Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. C20250456 with the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission, WSCJTC Contract No. K69 to provide funding for establishing an officer wellness program. **(Resolution No. R20260044)**
33. Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. C20250456 with the Washington State Criminal Justice Training Commission (WSCJTC), Contract No. K69, to provide funding for establishing an officer wellness program. This Amendment revises the Statement of Work from providing gym equipment, a refrigerator, and stove to providing mental health training with Dr. Earley. Compensation remains the same and shall not exceed \$13,827. The term remains the same and shall continue until June 30, 2026. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260042)**
34. Amendment No. 3 to Interlocal Agreement No. C20210679 with the Town of La Conner for law enforcement services. This Amendment increases compensation for the calendar year 2026 to \$405,856 and will be paid quarterly to the County. The term remains the same and shall continue until December 31, 2026. All other terms and conditions of the original Agreement and prior Amendments shall remain in effect. **(Amendment No. A20260043)**
35. Hold Harmless Agreement with the Port of Skagit for the privilege of conducting operations on or about Port property in March. There is no compensation associated with this Agreement. The Agreement shall commence on March 11, 2026, and shall continue until March 27, 2026. **(Contract No. C20260076)**
4. 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 Delta Dental from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$22,495.95 (Transmittal No. C-32-26); and
- b) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HMA from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$144,693.73 (Transmittal No. C-33-26); and

- c) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HMA from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$133,917.38 (Transmittal No. C-34-26); and
- d) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HealthEquity from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$21,520.77 (Transmittal No. C-35-26); and
- e) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HealthEquity from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$8,803.30 (Transmittal No. C-39-26); and
- f) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to Delta Dental from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$22,149.64 (Transmittal No. C-40-26); and
- g) Warrants numbered 613588 through 613589 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$11,869.52 (Transmittal No. C-41-26); and
- h) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HealthEquity from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$10,890.17 (Transmittal No. C-42-26); and
- i) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to Delta Dental from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$15,774.72 (Transmittal No. C-43-26); and
- j) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HMA from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$48,920.69 (Transmittal No. C-44-26); and
- k) Warrants numbered 613590 through 613919 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$4,004,959.34 (Transmittal No. C-45-26).
- l) Warrants numbered 613920 through 613957 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$102,797.59 (Transmittal No. C-46-26); and
- m) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to Health Equity from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$250.00 (Transmittal No. C-47-26); and
- n) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HMA from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$89,013.09 (Transmittal No. C-48-26); and
- o) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to HMA from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$142,444.92 (Transmittal No. C-49-26); and
- p) ACH Transfer Request Form and Certification to Health Equity from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$20,619.23 (Transmittal No. C-51-26); and
- q) Warrants numbered 613958 through 614422 from Clearing Fund 696 in the total dollar amount of \$3,239,279.85 (Transmittal No. C-52-26); and
- r) Payroll warrants numbered 542812 through 543577 in the total dollar amount of \$1,948,349.27 (Transmittal No. P-07-26); and
- s) Junior District Payroll warrants numbered 837330 through 837422 in the total dollar amount of \$206,816.53 (Transmittal No. P-08-26).

5. [MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA ITEMS FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION:](#)

County Engineer Tom Weller provided additional information about Miscellaneous Agenda item 2.

6. [MISCELLANEOUS AGENDA \(items 1 and 2\):](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Browning to approve Miscellaneous Agenda item 1. Commissioner Burns seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously. Chair Ron Wesen's absence was excused.

A motion was made by Commissioner Burns to approve Miscellaneous Agenda item 2. Commissioner Browning seconded the motion. The vote passed unanimously. Chair Ron Wesen's absence was excused.

a) PUBLIC HEALTH:

- 1. Subaward Agreement with Opportunity Council to provide FY2025 Tenant Based Rental Assistance (TBRA) in Whatcom County. Compensation shall not exceed \$100,108.94 and is funded with Federal HOME Funding through the Skagit HOME Consortium. The Agreement is ratified to commence on January 1, 2026, and shall continue until December 31, 2027. **(Contract No. C20260077)**

b) PUBLIC WORKS:

- 2. Letter to Jane Wall, Executive Director of the County Road Administration Board (CRABoard), regarding a Request for Termination of RATA Reimbursement for Francis Road Section 1, RAP Project Number 2915-01. **(Signature Only) (Approved)**

- d) 2:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Executive Session (None Scheduled as of the Date of this Notice)

There were no executive sessions scheduled for the week of March 2, 2026.

III. ADJOURNMENT:

Commissioner Browning adjourned the proceedings at 1:50 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**

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Ron Wesen, Chair

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Peter Browning, Commissioner

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Joe Burns, Commissioner

ATTEST:

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Clerk of the Board