with Mr. Schmidt, and through Mr. Schmidt, Mr. Mitchell, another property owner. Mr. Fakkema stated it would be his position that they do not own the lot; the lot was purchased by B.W.B., the builder. The Chairman noted, however, the major contention voiced by Mr. Schmidt was that the County had no right to approve an alteration of a plat without 3/4 of the landowners appealing to the Board of County Commissioners for that purpose. Mr. Fabkema observed that if this were true, not only plats but all short plats within Island County would also than be considered to be illegal, and felt this was a different statute which would properly refer to dedications of rights-of-way, etc. In this instance, no redidication or no vacation of right-of way was involved, and not the entire plat but only one lot within the plat. The Board recommended that Mr. Schmidt take the materials presented and discuss the situation with Syd Glover, Planning Director.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

County Engineer, David A. Jolly, presented a request to the Board for approval to expend Road Funds for transportation to and from Shoreline Community College, including ferry fare and the use of one county vehicle twice weekly for two and one-half months, for the maximum of five engineering personnel to attend a class in Subdivision and Platting. Commissioner Anderson moved that the Board grant the approval of the Engineer's request to expend Road Funds for transportation to and from Shoreline Community College, including ferry fare and one county vehicle, twice weekly for Engineering personnel to attend classes on Subdivision and Platting. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Christiansen, carried.

ASSISTANT COUNTY ENGINEER PRESENTED

Mr. Jolly introduced Roy Allen who commenced work as Assistant County Engineer 11, September, 1975.

CONTRACT AND PERFORMANCE BOND PRESENTED FROM ASSOCIATED SAND AND GRAVEL, INCL/CONSTRUCTION ASPHALT OVERLAY

The Engineer presented a Contract and Performance Bond from Associated Sand and Gravel, Inc. for the construction of asphalt overlay on Beach Drive/Camano Way intersection, Plat of Camano Country Club Division Number 1, Camano Island, per bid award 4 September, 1975 under CRP 9-75. The Board concurred and signed both documents.

SPECIFICATIONS AND CALL FOR BIDS - CONSTRUCTION OF SOLID WASTE BOX STATION AT CLOVER VALLEY SITE

The specifications for the construction of Solid Waste Box Station at the Clover Valley Site were submitted to the Board for approval by the Engineer. Authorization for preparation of the specifications was granted by Resolution Number R-80-75 approved on 21 July, 1975. The work to be performed consists of construction of a solid waste box site by constructing a reinforced concrete slab, paving, fencing and other work. Funding involves Island County Public Works, Solid Waste Funds and Washington Future Referendum 26 Funds administered by the Department of Ecology. The Board requests a line be added to the specifications indicating that "The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids." Engineer concurred and correction made. Commissioner Anderson moved that the Board authorize the Call for Bids and publish the specifications, with the bid opening set for October 9th at 10:00 A.M., for the construction of Solid Waste Box Station at Clover Valley. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Christiansen, carried.

APPLICATION FOR FRANCHISE/CAMANO COOPERATIVE POWER AND WATER

The Board reviewed an Application for Franchise from the Camano Cooperative Power and Water Company to construct, operate and maintain a water line along and/or across a portion of Monticello Road, 600 feet from Roseway Place East on Camano Island. Commissioner Christiansen moved that the Board refer the Application to the Engineer for recommendation and investigation. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, carried.

CYCLISTS RIDING ON WHIDBEY ISLAND HIGHWAYS/RESPONSE RECEIVED FROM STATE HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

As discussed at the 4 August, 1975 Commissioners Meeting, a letter was drafted and signed by the Board to the Washington State Highway Commission under the date of 5 August, 1975 calling attention to the fact of the great increase in bicycling tourists who ride the length of Whidbey Island, recommending more signs be installed warning motorists that cyclists have equal right-of-way as well as warning cyclists that roads are narrow in places, visibility impaired and requested not to obstruct motor traffic. The Chairman noted a letter of response dated 9 September, 1975 from the Washington State Highway Commission. Letter reading as follows:

"Gentlemen:
May I now acknowledge your August 5 letter to Director George Andrews indicating your concern with regard to the number of bicyclists utilizing Whidbey Island highways and the lack of signing relating to this use on SR 525. We have delayed a response to you in order that the circumstances behind your comments could be reviewed with Wes Bogart, our District Engineer in Seattle, and his field personnel.

We, too, are concerned with the accident potential which may be created by this additional cyclists use of Whidbey Island highways and feel that there are avenues available that we should jointly pursue to minimize this hazard.

I believe Mr. Bogart and his staff have discussed this with you previously, and the alternative of using certain Whidbey Island roads for bicycle route along the Island has been thoroughly discussed. From our point of view, this has substantial merit and warrants further consideration but, if my understanding is accurate, Island County has been hesitant to install any signing which would encourage the use of the local road network as an alternative to the state highway. Therefore, I have asked Mr. Bogart to set up yet another meeting with you to discuss this subject. Hopefully, a long term solution can be developed which will establish the most logical route for cycle touring on Whidbey Island and provide appropriate signs thereafter.

Very truly yours,
G. H. Andrews
Director of Highways
By: W. A. Bulley
Deputy Director"

Subsequent to receipt of the letter 11 September, 1975, a meeting was scheduled with the Board and personnel from the Seattle District Engineer's Office at 10:30 A.M., 16 September, 1975. Island County Planner and Engineer were urged to attend the up-coming meeting.

HELLER ROAD PROJECT DISCUSSION

Commissioner Anderson briefly went over the previous discussion of the He-ler Road project 8 September, 1975. He noted that in regard to possible funding by FAS Funds, by letter last week, Ernie Geisler, County Road Administration Board, stated that with respect to inquiry on additional funds for the Heller Road project, he had checked with the State Aid Engineer, Kieth Eggen whereby his statement was confirmed that there was ample money in the FAS pot in Olympia to permit advancement of additional funds to Island County. Mr. Geisler recommended that if the Board was interested in requesting such an advance, the Board have the Island County Engineer discuss the matter directly with Mr. Eggen to work out the necessary details. Commissioner Anderson stated that the project had been priority for five or six years and was his hope that there be some way to finish the project. Commissioner Christiansen moved that the Board ask the Engineer to get in touch with Mr. Keith Eggen and see if we could utilize the funds that have been assigned to other counties but have no plans for them, considered as a loan against our future allotments. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, carried.

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO LET CONTRACT/SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

The Board received Notice Of Intention to Let Contract or Purchase Goods or Services for approval to purchase one stainless steel hood and vent fan for the kitchen area of the jail. Commissioner Christiansen moved that the Chairman of theBoard of County Commissioners be authorized to sign this request from the Sheriff's Department to post three days the Notice of Intention to Purchase, not to exceed $1,000.00, for one stainless steel hood and vent fan for the kitchen area of the jail, providing he has adequate funds in his own budget and will not request an Emergency request in the near future. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, carried.