well as invaluable in handling pre-sentence investigations, following up on Orders of Restitution and post-sentencing investigations. Judge Buchanan reported that last year the Washington State Superior Courts handled 11,000 felony cases while the District and Municipal Courts handled 103,000 criminal cases along with 745,000 traffic cases. District Court revenue has increased 75% in 1977 over 1974, showing a net estimated income of $89,762.00 -- that portion remaining after mandated assessments and budget items are deducted from the gross income of $192,331. The third year funding of the District Court Probation Department would require $7,500 through court-generated funds, one-half of which would be derived from those portions of funds normally remanded to the State - a procedure allowable under R.C.W. 3.62.050. Del Honsberger, Oak Harbor Police Chief, re-inforced Judge Buchanan's support of the Program, feeling the service was invaluable to the County. Ron Hatten, Juvenile Probation Director, further supported the Program, feeling comfortable that when referrals were made by his department to the District Court for traffic offenses and other non-felony related actions for young adults 17 and over, that the cases were being followed-up, and felt that the system was working. Mr. Sauter reported that $39,000 had been recovered in 1976 for restitution. Commissioner Anderson complimented Mr. Sauter on the operation of his Program, and moved at this time that the Board go on record as supporting the continuance of the Program and instruct Mr. Sauter to proceed with the Application for 1 September 1977 to 31 August 1978 funding. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Romeo, Carried unanimously.

AWARD OF BID FOR VIBRATORY ASPHALT COMPACTOR ROLLER

In accordance with the motion of the Board, Bob Frostad, Maintenance Superintendent, Island County Road Department, appeared before the Board at 1:00 p.m. to present the Engineering Department's recommendation for award of bid for the Vibratory Asphalt Compactor Roller per bids received at 10:00 a.m. this morning. Mr. Frostad stated that the recommendation at this time is that the bid of Lynnwood Equipment Company be accepted in the amount of $36,220.71, being the only bid received to meet specifications in all areas. Commissioner Romeo moved that the Board take the recommendation of the Engineering Department and make the award to Lynnwood Equipment Company on the Hyster Machine which they bidded. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, carried unanimously.

HEARING CONTINUED: ISLAND COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN
PLANNING POLICY, PHASE II

A Public Hearing in the matter of considering the proposed Island County Comprehensive Plan, Planning Policy, Phase II, came on for hearing before the Board at 1:30 p.m., having been continued from 16 May 1977. Chairman Christiansen opened the session, commenting that the Board's plan to go through each proposed amendment, with the Board discussing and taking action by motion; once a motion is on the floor, the particular amendment will then be open for discussion by anyone desiring to comment at that time.

Page vi: PURPOSE - PARAGRAPH 1

AMENDMENT: "The purpose of this plan is to develop statements of government policy which will be used as a guide for making recommendations and decisions about future development and growth in Island County".

Commissioner Anderson moved that the Board approve the amendment to this Paragraph, Page vi, Paragraph 1 under Purpose. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Romeo. Gus Smith questioned where the proposed amendments came from, requesting evidence that the proposals represented a large number of people. Syd Glover responded that as a result of the various meetings which were held by the Commissioners, input made by a variety of people, the Commissioners did ask him as to what recommendations he may have for making amendments to the Plan which would answer those who made comments and still not unduly weaken the Plan. Therefore, the Planning Office did go through and make the recommendations for amendment, the majority of which amplify the thoughts had during the original developments of the Plan. Mr. Smith pointed out that he felt there were similarities between the proposed amendments and a letter of 11 April 1977 written on behalf of the Whidbey Island Board of Realtors. Steve Crane, Seattle Attorney, representing several residents and taxpayers of Island County, presented a three-page written statement regarding the amendments they have some concern about. As to the first proposed amendment, he stated it was interesting to note it would seem appropriate that the Commissioners refer to the Plan as an ex-;licit statement, and be careful in adopting the Plan that it does embody the concerns of the community by the 1,000 people who signed the petition requested adoption of the Plan in its original form. Hearing no other discussion on the motion, the Chairman called for the vote, with the voting unanimous. Motion carried and the amendment passed.

PAGE vi: PURPOSE - PARAGRAPH 2

AMENDMENT: "An attempt has been made to maximize citizen participation in the formulation of this plan, insuring that it is responsive to local community needs. The policy plan has intentionally been developed within a flexible framework to achieve the kine of future and high quality living environment desired by local citizens and public officials."

Mr. Glover noted the proposed amendment contained a word change from "demand" to "desire", believing it to be a better word in this case. Commissioner Romeo moved that Paragraph 2, Page 1 of the proposed Amendments - Page vi in the Comprehensive Plan Book, be passed. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Anderson. Harlow Hayes felt that the word change may seem rather insignificant, but requested that the Board keep in mind that each amendment, taken as a whole, would substantially weaken the Plan. Mr. Glover responded when you look at the place of the word in the Forward of the Plan, he found it very difficult to see where it would weaken the Plan by changing the word "desire" to "demand", but would have no objection to either word. Molly Barge voiced her opinion that 1,000 names on a petition would demand that the Plan be adopted as originally prepared. The Chairman responded that a petition, regardless of how many names contained, should be looked at and considered, which this particular petition had been considered. Voting on the motion was unanimous, and amendment carried.

PAGE vii: PREFACE - PARAGRAPH 1

AMENDMENT: "Efforts to exercise some direction over the community's destiny necessitates that first the overall planning goals and objectives are formulated; and secondly, that ordinances are adopted after review and public hearing to implement the plan."

Commissioner Anderson moved that the proposed amendment on Page vii Preface, Paragraph 1, as read by Mr. Kemp, be adopted. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Romeo. Alan Ryan spoke against the motion, feeling this would be one more watering down of the wording of the Plan; Harriet Hayes, Evelyn Frey, Bill Semple, Gus Smith, Fred Hodella, Dorothea Roberson, Molly Barge, George Morris and Bob McCulley agreed and made separate comments on their particular feelings. Molly Barge further read two letters into the record in support of the Comprehensive Plan as originally prepared. Bert Garrison stated that Camano Island did not have an urban area and the citizen's of Camano Island do not find it as easy to get to the meetings. He felt that the Commissioners and Planning Commission and staff had been conducting meetings on Camano Island as well as Whidbey Island. The citizen's are very concerned on Camano Island that this started out as a Comprehensive Plan and now it was being referred to as a land control document - these citizen's must be considered in the Commissioners proceedings as well. Commissioner Anderson responded that the Board received copies of the proposed amendments from Syd Glover -- and they are now trying to go through those amendments. The Board has had time to discuss the amendments and Commissioner Anderson stated he had had time to talk to the Prosecutor concerning the legal ramifications -- in many cases the words could be argued both ways. He stated there certainly was not any undercover or deals being made, but were trying to work with the Plan. John Patten, member of the Island County Planning Commission, stated that the amendments were news to him -- feeling that the Planning Commission felt they had a good plan agreeable to most people, and was now being sidetracked and that the Planning Commission had been bypassed. Homer Fry spoke against the Plan as being not in accord with the Constitution of the Unites States. Harlow Hayes objected to the word control being removed in favor of direction, which was the consensus of those present. The addition of the words "after review and public hearing" appeared to be satisfactory, however. Commissioner Anderson moved to amend the motion to leave the word control in the paragraph. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Romeo, carried unanimously.

PAGE vii: SCOPE - PARAGRAPH 1

AMENDMENT: "A 25 year planning period has been chosen as the time span of this plan.

Land Use - designating the optimal distribution, location and extent of lands best suited for agriculture, forestry, housing, commerce, industry, recreation, education and public lands within the jurisdiction."

Commissioner Romeo, under Scope, Paragraph 1, on Page vii of the Comprehensive Plan, moved that the Board adopt the amendment. Motion, seconded by Commissioner Anderson, carried unanimously.