The Board of Island County Commissioners met in Regular Session on 2 December 1991 at 9:30 a.m., Island County Courthouse Hearing Room, Coupeville, Wa. Chairman Gordon H. Koetje, and Members, C. R. Caldwell and Dwain Colby were present.

VOUCHERS AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

The following voucher/warrants were approved for payment: Voucher (warrant) No.s #77552 through #77655 in the amount of $715,140.68

DANCE PERMIT - LINDA MESSINGER, WHIDBEY GROUP FOR CULTURAL DANCE - DECEMBER 14, 1991, BAYVIEW HALL

The Board by unanimous motion, approved a "One-Time" Dance Permit for The Whidbey Group for Cultural Dance at which no alcoholic beverages will be allowed, for a cultural event to be held at Bayview Hall, December 14, 1991, from 7:30 p.m., to 11:00 p.m.

REAPPOINT: LEROY ROWAND TO HOUSING AUTHORITY OF ISLAND CO.

By unanimous motion, the Board reappointed Mr. Leroy Rowand to another five year term on the Housing Authority of Island County, effective December 6, 1991.

STAFF PERSON DESIGNATED TO ASSIST ISLAND COUNTY SPECIAL EXCISE TAX COMMITTEE (2% HOTEL/MOTEL EXCISE TAX)

The Board discussed the need to replace Beth Schmitz who resigned County employment on November 15, which left vacant the position as the designated staff person to work with the Island County Special Excise Tax Committee. The Board agreed that Donna Benson, Office Assistant in the Commissioners' be the designated staff person to work with the Committee and provide the coordination and organization necessary to assist the Committee.

Two members of the Committee resigned, Mia Wallgren and Jack Slichter, and the Chairman will have a press release prepared to ask for volunteers to fill those two vacant positions.

CONCERNS EXPRESSED WITH REGARD TO LAW ENFORCEMENT

Bill Semple, Freeland, presented a news article from the South Whidbey Record concerning law enforcement. Chairman Koetje provided assurance of the Board's commitment that as soon as possible Sheriff's positions would be filled (those perceived to be vacant). The Chair encouraged everyone to correspond to State senators and representatives to put back into the 1992-93 State biennium budget provisions for law and justice funds. Mr. Semple explained concern with regard to continuing crime wave; some house in his neighborhood having been robbed more than once.

DECLARATION OF TRUST BOND IN CONJUNCTION WITH PRD #001/90 AND PRD #003/90, HOLBECK CONSTRUCTION & DESIGN, INC.

As presented and recommended by Roy Allen, Island County Engineer, the Board by unanimous motion, accepted and signed a Declaration of Trust Bond in the amount of $7,802.00 for performance and maintenance of acceleration/turn lane on Camano Hill Road in conjunction with PRD 001/90 and PRD 003/90, Holbeck Construction & Design, Inc.

RIGHT OF WAY-FT. NUGENT ROAD, W.O. 88

Associated with obtaining right-of-way for Fort Nugent Road Project, Work Order 88, from Shirley Crowe, Carolee Nelson, Charles S.Riepma, Leroy Riepma, Fanny Riepma, Parcel #027.106, Sec. 3, T32N, R1E, the Board by unanimous motion, in each case, approved and signed a Quit-Claim Deed; Agreement for Drainfield Relocation and Letter with Non-monetary considerations. The transaction includes $7,420.00 for land and fencing; $8,782.00 cost to cure drainfield; and $670.00 reimbursable expenses related to drainfield replacement.

Non-monetary considerations are for driveway and replacing asphalt, valued at $3,040.00.

DRAINAGE POLICY - ISLAND COUNTY ROAD DEPARTMENT

The Engineer presented to the Board a proposed Drainage Policy, re-drafted after the meeting of November 18, 1991, incorporating suggestions provided by the Board, and requested the Board's approval of the policy prior to formal implementation by the Road Department.

Commissioner Colby observed that the following changes needed to be made to the Drainage Policy:

Page 3, Item 2.d. first sentence. While a statement of fact, not sure but what the Engineer should be asked to add something in to a line item for that purpose in future budgets.

Page 3, Item 2.g. Does not read properly. Should read: "...to accept drainage problems since in acknowledgment that there are established provisions for solving drainage problems at the owners expense:"

Page 4, Item 3.g Wrong tense. Should read: "The Owner, for himself, heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, jointly and severally signs a release in substantially the following form:"

Page 5, Item 4. Should read: "If the property owner does not grant an easement but does agree to participate in the drainage project then the following applies:"

Page 5, Item 4.g. Wrong tense; re-word to read as recommended above, Page 4, item 3.g.

Evaluation Criteria for Prioritization. Justification for County Participation should be the same as spelled out at the bottom of Page 2.

Commissioner Colby felt that none of the comments were substantive; felt it was necessary to have a drainage policy and agreed with the policy as presented with the changes noted.

Commissioner Caldwell raised the question of funding, two ways in which to approach it (2.d): one, have staff identify some amount of money for this general purpose each year in the budget; or two, not to earmark any specific amount of money and deal with funding on a case by case basis.

With regard to paragraph 2.d, Commissioner Colby reiterated his earlier comment, and noted that the Road Department budget should

include a specific line item. Commissioner Caldwell agreed and suggested that the Engineer reword 2.d to the effect that each year when the Board sets the budget that some amount of money may be set aside.

Consensus. Engineer make the changes suggested by the Board and bring the policy back before the Board next Monday.

MISCELLANEOUS ENGINEERING MATTERS

The Engineer was asked to provide the Board either at staff session or subsequent meeting, status reports on the following:

(1) Penn Cove Road and Scenic Heights Road projects and the avenue being taken to accomplish what needs to be done.

(2) Safety concern in Freeland area about 4-way stop in the vicinity of the property across from Post Office - concerned whether 4-way stop is a viable answer to the problem.