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COUNTY CHAMBER ASKS FOR DREDGE ON SKAGIT RIVER

MONTHLY SESSION IS HELD AT BURLINGTON TUESDAY - THE CASCADE HIGHWAY RESOLUTION IS AMENDED.

The greater part of the September meeting of the Skagit County Chamber of Commerce, held in Burlington Tuesday evening, was devoted to a discussion of flood problems on the lower Skagit River. It was said that the bed of the river was steadily rising, causing a flood menace every time the water reaches a high stage. The reason for this is that the volume of water needed to bring the stream to the top of the dikes is now much less than when the channel was kept open.

The question was first brought up by Fred Ornes of Mount Vernon, who urged the chamber to start a move to secure the placing of a government dredge in the Skagit river, to be used in keeping the channel open at all times. Supporting talks were made by G. O. Moen of Mount Vernon, Jas. Squires of Edison and by Pres. C. D. England. A motion was unanimously passed empowering the president to appoint a committee of three to draft a resolution asking the government to place and maintain a dredge in the Skagit, the resolution to be submitted to the various chambers of commerce in the Puget Sound district. The president named Fred Ornes, G. O. Moen and Howard Sackett to serve on this committee.

Resolution is Amended

On motion of Dave McIntyre of Sedro-Woolley, the resolution passed at the August meeting, asking the Cascade Pass highway be

placed on the primary highway system of the state was changed. The resolution as originally passed read from "from Anacortes to the Cascades," and this was changed to read "from Anacortes to connect with the state highway system on the east side of the Cascade Mountains." This resolution will be presented at the state convention of the Washington Good Roads association by Mr. McIntyre, who was also voted \$50 expense money for the trip.

The meeting opened with a fine dinner served by the American Legion Auxiliary of Burlington, after which the visitors were welcomed by Clarence Judy, president of the Burlington chamber. Entertainment was provided by George Finnigan of Bellingham, who made a half-hour talk in Swedish dialect, that kept the crowd laughing from start to finish. The October meeting will be held in Hamilton.