

MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, AUGUST 8, 2016

Legislative Hearing Room, 55 Second Street, Friday Harbor, WA

09:01 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 9:01 AM. Present: Council Members Jamie Stephens, Rick Hughes, Bob Jarman. County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel and interested members of the public.

Citizens Access: The following citizens submitted comments: none

09:05 AM ACTION: To Approve Orcas Island Historical Museum Revision to Scope of the Work Awarded in 2015 Historical Preservation Grant – Council

Ms. Gabriel presented the Revision and answered Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Jarman to approve the Orcas Island Historical Museum Revision to the Scope of the Work Awarded in the 2015 Historical Preservation Grant from restoring the wagon to restoring the roof of the museum's building on Orcas Island. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

09:07 AM DISCUSSION: Review October Farm Conservation Easement – Lincoln Bormann, Director Land Bank

Mr. Bormann presented the easement and answered Council's questions. No action was needed.

09:14 AM DISCUSSION: Affordable Housing Work Group Update – Mark Tompkins, Director Health & Community Services

Mr. Tompkins presented the Update and answered Council's questions.

09:45 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to **RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)** – Jon Cain, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Present: Council, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jon Cain, Land Bank Director Lincoln Bormann; County Manager Mike Thomas; Human Resource Managers Pamela Morais and James Wolf; Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

At 09:45 AM, Council Chair Stephens announced that the Council would be holding **two executive sessions to discuss current and pending litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) and an executive session to discuss Real Property Acquisition or Lease pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(c)** estimated to last 60 minutes in total.

10:20 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Real Property Acquisition or Lease pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(c) – Mike Thomas, County Manager
Present: Council, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jon Cain, Land Bank Director Lincoln Bormann; County Manager Mike Thomas; Human Resource Managers Pamela Morais and James Wolf; Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

10:40 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) – Amy Vira, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Present: Council, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Amy Vira; Community Development Director Erika Shook, Planning Manager Linda Kuller, County Manager Mike Thomas and Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

At 10:45, Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive sessions would continue for an additional 30 minutes. The sessions ended at 11:10 for a total time of 85 minutes.

No Action was taken.

Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive sessions had ended. Ms. Stephens called the meeting back into regular session.

11:15 AM DISCUSSION & UPDATES: Council, County Manager & Departments

Mr. Stephens: Will attend Vessel Traffic Risk Assessment meeting in Seattle on Tuesday, August 9; discussed attendance and agenda for the upcoming public meetings with Washington State Ferries Assistant Secretary Lynne Griffith; reported on a public records legislation reform meeting; reported on recent participation on the Shoreline Hearings Board; attended a Lopez Community Land Trust meeting; attended a presentation by Governor Inslee including potential revenue sources; will send a separate letter to Governor Inslee regarding jet noise from the Naval Air Station on Whidbey Island.

Mr. Jarman: Attended Northwest Regional Council meeting; inquired on Council's attendance to the Islands Trust Council meeting on September 13th in Sydney, B.C. (all Council members will attend).

Mr. Hughes: Attended Veteran's Advisory Board meeting and discussed providing funding mechanism for veterans' assistance; meeting with Arts Council group regarding funding; met with the Deer Harbor Trails Committee to discuss projects and funding; finalizing airport improvement costs with the Port of Friday Harbor to accommodate direct flights from Canada; would like Council to consider finding solutions to acquire Lopez affordable housing units that are coming up for sale; reviewed first steps of improvement plans for Prune Alley; would like Council to review state adopted storm water plans; Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) meeting today; discussed potential public transit connection between the Anacortes ferry landing and Skagit County; thanked Public Works for good work on chip sealing and striping county roads; would like to represent Council participating on Growth Management Act reform – Council agreed. Mr. Hughes questioned why no Council member was asked to speak at the National Park Service's Centennial celebration on

Mr. Thomas: Attended the Friday Harbor Town Council meeting last week and discussed San Juan Valley Road water line and connector road projects; included storm water funding for Prune Alley in capital budget; the County is signed up on the Public Employees Benefit Board (PEBB) listserve; preliminary departmental budgets were submitted last Friday and budget review begins on August 10;

11:55 AM ADJOURN

Chair Stephens adjourned the meeting.

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These Minutes were approved and signed on August 30, 2016. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.