

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON**  
**COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2017**

**Legislative Hearing Room, 55 Second Street, Friday Harbor, WA 98250**

**09:03 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**

Council Chair Hughes called the meeting to order at 09:03 AM. Present: Council Members Jamie Stephens, Bill Watson and Rick Hughes, County Manager Mike Thomas, Council Assistant Susan Kollet and interested members of the public.

**New Employee introductions:**

Prosecuting Attorney Randall Gaylord introduced Amy Price (Legal Specialist IV), Kim Lambie (Legal Specialist IV), Audrey Hansen (Victim Advocate) and Nancy Vejvoda (Victim Advocate).

Assessor John Kulseth introduced Melanie Correll (Chief Deputy) and Oscar Rivera (Appraiser Apprentice).

Washington State University Extension Director Brook Brouwer introduced Angie Shephard (Agriculture Program Coordinator) and Wendy Waxman (4-H Program Coordinator).

**Approval of Minutes:**

**MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the minutes of Monday, September 18, 2017 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the minutes of Tuesday, September 19, 2017 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the minutes of Monday, September 25, 2017 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

**MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, October 3, 2017:**

A. Budget Items:

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of September 18, 2017:

- Warrant #190194 – 190199 Veteran Assistance in the amount of \$1,890.62
- Warrant #190200 – 190240 Public Works claims in the amount of \$297,836.94
- Warrant #190241 – 190341 County claims in the amount of \$145,728.61 plus use tax in the amount of \$226.93 for total expenditures of \$145,955.54

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of September 25, 2017:

- Warrant 190393 – 190419 Public Works claims in the amount of \$303,696.65
- Warrant 190420 – 190489 County claims in the amount of \$463,478.54

**ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED**

**Approval of Correspondence:**

**Citizens Access:** The following citizens offered comments:

**09:17 AM PUBLIC HEARING:** Surplus Land Bank Property - Mike Thomas, County Manager


**Present:** Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Council Staff Assistant Susan Kollet

Chair Hughes opened the public hearing on the Surplus Land Bank Property in order to continue the public hearing and to allow public comment.

Chair Hughes opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: Lynn Danaher and Andrea Knapik.

Chair Hughes closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Watson to continue the Public Hearing on the Surplus Land Bank property until October 17, 2017. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**9:24 AM PRESENTATION:** Island Marble butterfly and the Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances Opportunity - Hannah Anderson, Listing and Recovery Section Manager Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife; Tom McDowell, Manager, Listing and Recovery, US Fish and Wildlife Service  [Z](#)

Dr. Karen Regan presented an overview of the history of and threats to the Island Marble butterfly, a butterfly found only on San Juan Island. Jeff Chan explained the term, Candidate Conservation Agreement with Assurances (CCAA), a voluntary agreement that would be entered into with landowners in order to carry out conservation measures on their land for the Island Marble butterfly. They hope to help establish the butterfly on Lopez Island as well as to bolster their numbers on San Juan Island.

After discussion and the sharing of ideas, the presenters shared their hope to stay in communication with the Council as they hope to hold education and information sharing forums with the community.

At the request of Council Chair Hughes, Ms. Anderson highlighted an upcoming symposium on the Southern Resident Killer Whales and answered council member questions.

**10:48 AM ACTION:** To Approve a Resolution re: Mid-Adopter Integration Behavioral & Physical Health – Mark Tompkins, Director Health and Community Services and Barbara LaBrash, Manager Human Services

Mr. Tompkins summarized the resolution and answered Council member questions. He indicated they have reviewed the language proposed by Skagit and outlined changes made to the draft resolution for Council's consideration. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Watson to approve a resolution making San Juan County's Decision to Become a Mid-Adopter with Conditions. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**10:55 AM DISCUSSION:** Public Records Fee Amendment Ordinance – Council

Mr. Stephens clarified that there are two parts to today's discussion: the ordinance for which there is a public hearing scheduled later in October and the fee amendment which, by ordinance, can be set by the Public Records Officer and implemented. The proposed fees are modeled after the State proposed fee schedule.

After discussion, the Council opted to delay action to set and implement the fee schedule until after the public hearing on the Public Records Fee Amendment Ordinance.

**11:01 AM DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Set Public Hearing on an Ordinance Cancelling Prior Years Unclaimed Accounts Payable Warrants for Monday, October 30, 2017 at 9:15 am (1<sup>st</sup> touch) – Kim Herrenkohl, Chief Deputy Auditor

Ms. Herrenkohl summarized the processes involved with arriving at unclaimed accounts payable warrants. She noted that a second touch to discuss the proposed ordinance will be on the agenda of October 16, 2017.

After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Stephens to set a Public Hearing on an Ordinance Cancelling Prior Years Unclaimed Accounts Payable Warrants for October 30, 2017 at 9:15 AM. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

## **COUNCIL MEMBER & COUNTY MANAGER UPDATES**

**Mr. Hughes:** Will attend the Orcas Comp Plan event this evening. Advised that the Governor's legal representatives are interviewing for Superior Court judge in our offices today.

**Mr. Watson:** Received an email from Russel Barsh indicating that the Department of Ecology is in the process of updating the geographic response plan for shorelines in San Juan County. They will identify those shoreline areas where response, in the event of an oil spill, would be a priority based on critical areas assessment.

He attended the Comprehensive Plan workshop on San Juan Island last evening. About 30 citizens attended as well as many staff members. Additionally, they held a pop-up meeting at the market and visited with about 60 citizens. Tomorrow, a pop-up meeting will take place on Lopez Island at the market.

**Mr. Stephens:** At the meeting with Tribal leaders, a tribal fisherman shared that because of vessel traffic and the anchoring near Vendovi and Cyprus Islands that are being used as floating storage, when they are moved without communication with the fishermen, he is losing fifty pots at a time because of the back and forth movement. If he knew when the anchoring would be moved, he would assure his pots were picked up.

**Mr. Thomas (County Manager):** Notified Council that the County has entered into a contract with Yakima County for jail space till the end of the year. We just need to transport the individual to Skagit and they will be transported from there to Yakima. That arrangement is available 6 days a week. We anticipate a 5-year contract with Yakima County going forward. We await the completion of the new jail in Skagit but are unsure what the costs will be. We will then have three options, including Island County.

**11:17 AM     ADJOURN**

Chair Hughes adjourned the meeting.

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These Minutes were approved and signed on October 17, 2017. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid R. Gabriel, Council Clerk.