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MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2019

Lopez Center for Community and the Arts, Lopez Island, WA

10:23 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 10:23 AM. Present: Council Members Jamie Stephens, Rick Hughes and Bill Watson; County Manager Mike Thomas; Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel and interested members of the public.

Agenda Approval: Chair Stephens added to the agenda a Land Bank donation item and two letters from the Marine Resources Committee (MRC) regarding the comment period for the National Oceanic & Atmospheric Association's (NOAA) orca habitat protection plan for areas around the Washington coast.

Public Access: The following individuals addressed the Council – Sandy Bishop, Barbara Orchid, Dan Post, Asha Lela, Madrona Murphy, Andrea Hurley, Ron Smith.

11:00 AM RECESS SJC COUNCIL MEETING & CONVENE LOPEZ SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD

Chair Stephens recessed the Council meeting and convened the LSWDD Governing Board.

ACTION: Approve the LSWDD 2020 Budget – Laura Bullock, Director

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

MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve the 2020 Budget for the Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Chair Stephens adjourned the LSWDD Governing Board and reconvened the San Juan County Council meeting.

11:05 AM ACTION: To Approve a Resolution Adopting County Staffing Levels and Pay and Benefit Plans for 2020 Staffing Plan – James Wolf, Human Resource Manager

Mr. Wolf presented the Resolution and answered Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Watson to approve a Resolution Adopting County Staffing Levels for 2020, the 2020 Pay Plan as Approved in Collective Bargaining Agreements, the 2020 Pay Plan for Unrepresented and Management Employees, and the 2020 Health Insurance Benefit Levels for Full-Time and Part-Time Employee Groups. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

51 **11:15 AM ACTION:** To Approve a Resolution Providing for the Submission to the Voters
52 of San Juan County a Proposition at Authorizing the County to Fix and Impose a
53 Sales and Use Tax of Two-Tenths of One Percent to be Used Solely for the
54 Purpose of Providing Funds for Costs Associated with the Operation of Enhance
55 911 Emergency Communications Systems and Facilities – Mike Thomas, County
56 Manager
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58 Mr. Thomas presented the Resolution and answered Council's questions. After discussion,
59 the Council took the following action:
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61 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve a Resolution Providing for**
62 **the Submission to the Voters of San Juan County a Proposition Authorizing the**
63 **County to Impose a Sales and Use Tax to be Used for the Purpose of Providing Funds**
64 **for Emergency Communications Systems and Facilities as presented with a correction**
65 **on the ballot [increasing] .2 for five years and dropping to .05 from 6 years on. ALL**
66 **AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**
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68 **11:35 AM ACTION:** To Approve a Resolution Revising the Parks and Fairgrounds Fee
69 Schedule – Mike Thomas, County Manager
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71 Mr. Thomas presented the Resolution and answered Council's questions. After discussion,
72 the Council took the following action:
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74 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve a Resolution Revising the**
75 **Parks and Fairgrounds Fee Schedule for 2020 as modified. ALL AYES; MOTION**
76 **CARRIED.**
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78 **11:45 AM PUBLIC HEARING:** To Adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington
79 Adopting a Budget and Setting Forth the Estimated Revenues and
80 Appropriations (continued from December 3) – Milene Henley, Auditor; Mike
81 Thomas, County Manager
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83 **Present:** Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel
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85 Chair Stephens opened the continued public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Ms. Henley
86 presented the Ordinance and answered Council's questions.
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88 Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: Christa
89 Campbell.
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91 Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council
92 took the following action:
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94 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adopt an Ordinance of San Juan**
95 **County, Washington Adopting a Budget and Setting Forth the Estimated Revenues and**
96 **Appropriations as modified today. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**
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98 **12:11 PM DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Approve Correspondence re: the National Monument
99 Resources Management Plan Protest – Jamie Stephens, Council Chair

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101 Mr. Stephens presented the Correspondence and answered Council’s questions. After
102 discussion, the Council took the following action:

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104 **MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Watson to delegate the Chair to draft a**
105 **submission of a draft San Juan National Monument Resource Management Plan protest**
106 **as discussed today. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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108 **12:20 PM ACTION:** To approve a Resolution to Accept a Gift Deed for a Portion of the
109 Taylor Property TPB 351021002 - Christa Campbell, Land Bank Commissioner

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111 Ms. Campbell presented the Resolution and answered Council’s questions. After discussion,
112 the Council took the following action:

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114 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve a Resolution to Accept a**
115 **Gift Deed for a Portion of the Taylor Property Tax Parcel Number 351021002 on San**
116 **Juan Island as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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118 **12:30 PM ACTION:** Marine Resource Committee Letters – James Stephens

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120 Mr. Stephens presented the Letters and answered Council’s questions. After discussion the
121 Council agreed by consensus to approve the letters as modified.

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123 **12:40 PM COUNCIL MEMBER & COUNTY MANAGER UPDATES:**

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125 **Ingrid Gabriel (Clerk):** Advisory Committee Appointments/ Reappointments:

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127 **MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Watson to reappoint as provided on the sheet**
128 **all of those members interested in continuing to serve on the Building Advisory**
129 **Committee, the Fair Board, the Land Bank Commission, the Lodging Tax Advisory**
130 **Committee, the Planning Commission, the San Juan Island Library and the Veterans**
131 **Advisory Board. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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133 **Mr. Watson:** Attending an Accountable Communities of Health (ACH) Board meeting on
134 December 13.

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136 **Mr. Stephens:** Attending a North Sound Behavioral Health Organization meeting meeting on
137 December 12.

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139 **Future Agendas:**

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141 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to cancel the meeting of Tuesday,**
142 **December 10. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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146 **01:55 PM ADJOURN**
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148 Chair Stephens adjourned the meeting.

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152 **COUNTY COUNCIL**
153 **SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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155 **These Minutes were approved and signed on January 7, 2020. The original document is retained in the**
156 **Council’s permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid R. Gabriel, Council Clerk.**
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