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**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL, REGULAR AWAY MEETING
TUESDAY, JULY 25, 2023**

Decatur Island, 825 Decatur Head Rd. Decatur Island WA

11:03 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE. Council Chair Wolf called the meeting to order at 11:03 AM. Present: Council Members Cindy Wolf, Jane Fuller, and Christine Minney; County Manager Mike Thomas, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Approval of Agenda: MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller, to approve the San Juan County Council, Tuesday, July 25, 2023 Agenda as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Consent Agenda: MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller, to approve the Consent Agenda of July 25, 2023 as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments: The following offered public comment to Council; Charles Conway, Robert Zarate, Jeff Christensen, Rob Grant, Sarah Jones, Randy Stricker, Lynne Haggard Jim Wiebon, George Lamb, Michelle and Cliff Harden, Tom Osarman, Mark Wall, Alan Mizuta and Lily Clark

11:30 AM DISCUSSION: Public Works Update- Colin Huntmer gave a presentation and answered Council's questions.

12:25 PM DISCUSSION: Decatur Island School Update, Dr. Martha Martin – K-12 Principal of Lopez Island School District gave a presentation and answered Council's questions.

1:00 PM DISCUSSION: USPS Mail Service / Addressing – Greg Sutherland – GIS Analyst II & IT, gave a presentation and answered Council's questions. Ms. Fuller spoke about USPS challenges with mail service for the Shaw Island Post Office and the Council's support to the Shaw Island Residents. Ms. Fuller encouraged the Decatur Island Community to reach out to Council for support regarding mail services.

1:25 PM DISCUSSION: Ms. Wolf brought forward to Ms. Fuller and Ms. Minney that Ms. Rogers will need to schedule the first meeting for the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) and have the committee members submit applications for re-appointment to serve their 3rd term.

1:26 PM Council Member Updates:

Ms. Minney: Has attending the following: Met with Colin for a briefing of Public Works projects on San Juan Island, IOSA Board Meeting, Roche Harbor Neighborhood Association Meeting, WSAC Subcommittee Meeting, Land Bank Commission Chair and Land Bank staff to participate and finalize a formal acquisition process, Land Bank regular meeting and presentation for strategic planning, Board of Health meeting, Fair Board meeting, SOP Board meeting, and met with Amanda from the Home Trust.

Ms. Fuller: Has attending the following: Met with Norm Gollub – Interim Director of DCD to discuss some issues and follow up, visit to Decatur Island a few weeks ago with Jerry Hayes to meet with residents, attended the Coast Salish Youth Conservation for a canoe journey landing at Odlin Park, met with Environmental Stewardship Director, Kendra Smith regarding the Killebrew Culvert Project, was out of office and missed the Board of Health meeting, attended a WSF meeting regarding a schedule

51 re-write. Future scheduling: WSF re-write input and coordination with WSF and County Administration
52 and staff.

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54 **Ms. Wolf:** Attended the National Association of Counties (NACO) Conference in Austin TX; was
55 appointee to the Energy, Environment and Land Use Steering Committee, heard information on the
56 Veterans Pact Act for eligibility of disability benefits, workshop on clean energy, navigating crisis
57 communications workshop, solid waste/recycling grant program, immigration policy workshop,
58 economic mobility workshop and a workshop on ARPA funds spent and their effectiveness,
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60 **County Manager Update:**

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62 **Mr. Thomas:** Briefed Council of the Land Bank’s formal acquisition process, State Auditor is present for
63 the annual audit, met with the Home Trust related to the Argyle lot affordable housing project, lease
64 agreement and grant funds. Is working with the Auditor’s Office on the budget for this year. The
65 advertising is out for the ER& R Director and should have the Community Development Director ad to
66 the recruiting company (Protham.) Mr. Thomas took note of the potential sales tax loss here and will
67 follow up.

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69 **Council Clerk Update:**

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71 **Ms. Rogers:** Reviewed the upcoming scheduled County Council Meetings: August 8th, August 22nd,
72 September 12th – Away on Lopez Island start time is 10:30 a.m. and September 18th .

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74 LTAC Committee – Ms. Rogers confirmed with Council to request applications from the members with
75 expired terms and to work on scheduling a LTAC Committee meeting.

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77 **1:48 PM ADJOURN**

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79 Chair Wolf adjourned the meeting.

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Sally Rogers Date:

Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on August 22, 2023.