



**COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2023
LEGISLATIVE HEARING ROOM, 55 SECOND STREET, FRIDAY HARBOR, WA**

9:00 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUUTE

Council Chair Wolf called the meeting to order at 9:00 AM. Present: Council Members Cindy Wolf, Jane Fuller (Via videoconference) and Christine Minney; County Manager Mike Thomas, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Approval of Agenda: The presentation from Washington State Ferries on preliminary findings of the “Walk-On” study is removed and postponed to be scheduled for the upcoming agenda on October , 2023.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to approve the San Juan County Council, September 26, 2023 Consent Agenda as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Proclamation: San Juan County Council proclaimed the month September 2023 as Prostrate Cancer Awareness Month, on this day of September 26, 2023.

New employee introductions and promotions: Mark Tompkins and Ellen Wilcox of Health & Community Services (HCS) introduced: Natalie Miller-Nawn-HCS Prevention Coordinator, and promotions for the following: Deanna Johnson – Business Manager, Ethna Flanagan – HCS Early Learning Manger.

09:18 AM Public Comments: Matt Basta, Maria DiCristina and Victoria Parker addressed comments to the Council.

09:30 AM PUBLIC HEARING: Public Testimony Accepted

To adopt an Ordinance amending the San Juan County Personnel Policy, Angie Baird – Human Resources Director and Jon Cain – Senior Deputy Prosecuting Attorney.

Present: Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Chair Wolf opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the ordinance. Ms. Baird presented the ordinance and answered Council’s questions.

Chair Wolf opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: none.

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

44 **MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to adopt an Ordinance**
45 **amending the San Juan County Personnel Policy. ALL AYES; MOTION**
46 **CARRIED.**

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48 **09:37 AM** **Discussion/Action:** Six Year Transportation Improvement Program
49 (TIP) and the Annual Construction Program (ACP) , 1st touch, to
50 propose a Resolution for the 2024 Six Year Transportation Improvement
51 Program (2024-2029) and to schedule a public hearing on November 7,
52 2023 for approval of the resolution, Colin Huntmer – Public Works
53 Director.

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55 Mr. Huntmer presented a report of the programs and draft resolutions, and answered
56 the Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

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58 **MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to set a public hearing to**
59 **approve a Resolution for the Six Year Transportation Improvement Program**
60 **(2024-2029) and to approve a Resolution for the 2024 Annual Construction**
61 **Program for November 7, 2023. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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63 **10:11 AM** **Discussion/Action:** Land Bank request for a letter to the Trust for Public
64 Land from San Juan County for technical assistance, Lincoln Borman –
65 Land Bank Director.

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67 Mr. Bormann presented the letter and answered the Council's questions. After
68 discussion, the Council took the following action:

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70 **MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to approve the request for a**
71 **letter to the Trust for Public Land from San Juan County for technical**
72 **assistance. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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74 **10:26 AM** **Discussion/Action:** Approve a Resolution Authorizing Terms for a
75 Thirty-Six Month Intrafund Loan from the San Juan County Land Bank
76 Stewardship Management and Maintenance Fund (Fund 1031) to the San
77 Juan County Land Bank Conservation Area Fund (Fund 1021) in the
78 Amount of \$3,000,000, Lincoln Borman – Land Bank Director.

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80 Mr. Bormann presented the resolution and answered the Council's questions. After
81 discussion, the Council took the following action:

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83 **MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to approve the Resolution**
84 **Authorizing Terms for a Thirty-Six Month Intrafund Loan from the San Juan**
85 **County Land Bank Stewardship Management and Maintenance Fund (Fund**
86 **1031) to the San Juan County Land Bank Conservation Area Fund (Fund 1021)**
87 **in the Amount of \$3,000,000. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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89 **10:40 AM** **Discussion:** Review 2023 Legislative Priorities, County Council
90 discussed and reviewed the priorities to begin plans for drafting the 2024
91 Legislative Priorities.

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10:55 AM COUNCIL MEMBER & COUNTY MANAGER UPDATES:

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Council Updates:

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Ms. Minney: Attended the following: SJI Visitor’s Bureau Board meeting, Joint meeting with the Town of Friday Harbor Council and administration, Board of Health meeting, WSAC Board of Directors meeting, and WSAC Legislative Steering Committee meeting.

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Upcoming meetings: WSAC By Law meeting, and WSAC LSC Regional meeting.

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Ms. Fuller: Attended the following: National Opioid Abatement Subcommittee meeting, Lopez Island Food Center Visionaries, SWISS Broadband Subcommittee, Joint meeting with the Town of Friday Harbor Council and administration, Northwest Workforce Council introduction and brief meeting, Shelly Clark and Jerry Hayes at the Lopez Island Ferry Terminal, and Lopez Island School District meeting.

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Ms. Wolf: Had a check-in with Bridget Broderick – Orcas Island School District legislative liaison for education as preparation for meeting with the Governor, and discussion with Thomas Bridge about small boat inter-island transportation.

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Upcoming meetings: Salmon Recovery Board meeting, and Climate Sustainability Advisory Committee meeting.

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Council Clerk Update:

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Review of Calendar Items: Review next scheduled meetings; October 2nd , 3rd, 10th, and 16th.

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Advisory Committees Appointments:

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Marine Resources Committee Appointment – Brian Goodremont .

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MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to appoint Brian Goodremont to the Marine Resources Committee. VOTE: 2:0, (Chair Wolf excused to leave meeting early) MOTION CARRIED.

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Agricultural Resources Committee Appointment, Position #11 – Pauline Chiquet

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MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Minney to appoint Pauline Chiquet to the Agricultural Resources Committee. VOTE: 2:0, (Chair Wolf excused to leave meeting early) MOTION CARRIED.

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11:23 PM ADJOURN Chair Wolf adjourned the meeting.

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**COUNTY COUNCIL
SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Christine Minney, District 1

Cindy Wolf, District 2

Jane Fuller, District 3

ATTEST: Clerk to the Council

By: _____ Date:
Sally Rogers

Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on December 4, 2023.