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**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2023**

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

09:00 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Wolf called the meeting to order at 09:00 AM. Present: Council Members Cindy Wolf, Jane Fuller (via video conference), Christine Minney, County Manager Mike Thomas, and the Council Sally Rogers.

Approval of Agenda: Ms. Fuller asked if Council updates were to be given. Chair Wolf stated no updated to be given in order to have a short meeting today. Ms. Fuller acknowledged that she has received many comments for the Destination Management Plan.

MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to approve the Agenda. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, October 31, 2023. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Correspondence:

MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller to approve the letter of support directed to the USDA Rural Development in support of the Hannah Heights Owners Association Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant Application. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments: David Honeywell, Nathan Kessler-Jeffrey, Terri Zambroultz, Curtis Widdoes, Laura Jo Severson, John Royce Meyerott, Anita Bailer, Kathleen Dory, Michele Loftus, Maria Michaelson, Katy Rissi, Tookie Sandwith, Jim Moe, Ron Whalen, Mary Nash (all in person), Rami Amaro, Michele Rodriguez, Manuel Roberto Cawaling, (all online via phone) provided comments to the Council.

Proclamation: 150th Anniversary of San Juan County. Chair Wolf read the proclamation to recognize, celebrate and adoption of the proclamation.

10:00 AM Presentation: 150th Anniversary of San Juan County, Erin Wygant – Communications Coordinator and Intern Emma Wickman.

Ms. Wygant and Ms. Wickman announced today's celebrations on each island including the Courthouse tours and gave a presentation of the milestones and celebrations for the upcoming year to celebrate the 150th Anniversary of San Juan County.

48 **10:25 AM** **Discussion:** Annual Property Tax Levies by adoption of an ordinance for three
49 property tax collections; **1)** An Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington
50 Setting the Property Tax Levy for Land Conservation Futures for 2024, **2)** An
51 Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for
52 County Roads for 2024, and **3)** An Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington
53 Setting the Property Tax Levey for Current Expense for 2024, Mike Thomas –
54 County Manager.
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56 Mr. Thomas presented the draft ordinances and answered the Council questions.
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58 **10:25 AM** **Discussion:** **Establishment of an Arts Commission**, Brandon Cadwell – Parks
59 & Fair Director.
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61 Mr. Cadwell re-capped the Council on his updates and work towards the establishment of
62 an Arts Commission and answered their questions.
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64 **10:25 AM** **Discussion/Action:** **LTAC extension request, SJI Museum – Kevin Loftus.**
65 Request to the County Council to authorize the County Manger to extend the
66 ending term date of 12/3/2023 to **6/30/2024**, for Contract Number 22CC.030, the
67 Historical Museum’s 2023 grant awards of \$20,000 for the Museum of History
68 Island Fishing Exhibit Project.
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70 **Mr. Loftus, Director of the SJI Museum was present online to request the extension.**
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72 **MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Fuller to authorize the County Manager to extend**
73 **the term of the contract with the SJI Museum as presented. VOTE: 2:0 (Minney**
74 **abstained). MOTION CARRIED.**
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76 **11:13 AM ADJOURN**, Chair Wolf adjourned the meeting.
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80 **COUNTY COUNCIL**
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Jane Fuller
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105 Sally Rogers Date:

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107 Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on December 12, 2023.