



**SAN JUAN COUNTY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**  
**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2023**  
**LEGISLATIVE HEARING ROOM, 55 SECOND STREET, FRIDAY HARBOR, WA**

1 **09:15 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**

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3 Council Member Minney called the meeting to order at 09:15 AM. Council Chair Wolf joined the  
4 meeting at 9:50 AM after fulfilling duties for the Canvass Board. Present: Council Members Cindy  
5 Wolf, Jane Fuller (via video conference), Christine Minney, County Manager Mike Thomas, and  
6 Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

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8 **Approval of Agenda:** MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Minney to approve the agenda as  
9 presented of Tuesday, November 27, 2023. MOTION CARRIED 2:0 (Chair Wolf excused).

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11 **Approval of Minutes:** MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. Minney to approve the San Juan  
12 County Council meeting minutes as written for the dates: March 21, 2023, June 27, 2023, July 11,  
13 2023, August 8, 2023, and August 22, 2023. MOTION CARRIED 2:0 (Chair Wolf excused).

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15 **Public Comments:** Bill Sieverson provided comments to the Council.

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17 **PUBLIC HEARING(S): Public Testimony Accepted**

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19 **09:25 AM** To consider adopting a Resolution for the Six-Year Transportation Improvement  
20 Program 2024-2029, Colin Huntemer – Director of Public Works.

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

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24 Councilmember Minney opened the public hearing for public testimony.

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26 The following individuals offered testimony: Lori Ann David, Adam Eltinge, Dave Zeretzke, Jim  
27 McNairy, Blake Guard, Mel Guard, Steve Ulvi, Becky Greenway, Susie Wampler, Todd Kaden,  
28 Tom Buchanan, Royce Meyerott, Lisa Crosby Guard, Rex Guard, Wendy Shepard, Emily Geyman,  
29 Minnie Kynch, Kristen Burgess, Jim Burgess, Gay Wilmerding, Steve Hudson, Peter Delorenzi,  
30 Michelle Loftus, Kathy Finholm, Allison Posenjak (all in person), Juniper Mass, Brandon Guard  
31 and Nathan Donnelly (via telephone conference.)

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33 Council Member Minney closed public testimony with the right to reopen.

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35 Mr. Huntemer presented the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) and answered  
36 Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

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38 **MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Fuller to remove the Zylstra Trail from the Six Year TIP**  
39 **and the Annual Construction Program (ACP), and direct staff to continue working on a trail**  
40 **route that has public support. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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42 **11:50 AM** To consider adopting a Resolution for the 2024 Annual Construction Program, Colin  
43 Huntemer – Director of Public Works.

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45 Mr. Huntemer briefed the Council for the Annual Construction Program.

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

Chair Wolf closed public testimony and public hearing. Mr. Huntmer recommended the Council adopt the resolutions for the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program and Annual Construction Program in the November 28, 2023, Council meeting.

**11:55 AM** To consider adopting an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for Land Conservation Futures for 2024, Mike Thomas – County Manager.

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.

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

**MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Fuller to adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for Land Conservation Futures for 2024. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**12:00 PM** To consider adopting an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for County Roads for 2024, Mike Thomas – County Manager.

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.

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

**MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Fuller to adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for County Roads for 2024. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

To consider adopting an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for Current Expense for 2024, Mike Thomas – County Manager.

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.

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

**MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Fuller to adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for Current Expense for 2024. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

94 **12:05 PM Discussion:** Legislative Priorities with Josh Weiss and Annika Vaugh, Gordon-  
95 Thomas-Honeywell. County Council.  
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97 Mr. Weiss and Ms. Vaugh discussed and reviewed the draft of legislative priorities, and funding  
98 requests for the upcoming legislative session with the Council. Further discussion is planned for  
99 the Council meeting on, December 4, 2023.

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101 **1:00 PM Recess**

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103 Review Council Calendar Items: Next scheduled meetings; November 28, December 4th, and  
104 December 5th.

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106 **Executive Sessions**

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108 Chair Wolf announced that the Council would be holding an Executive Session to discuss with  
109 legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i), and to evaluate the  
110 performance of a public employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) estimated to last 1 hour and  
111 35 minutes in total to begin at 1:30 PM and end at 3:05 PM followed by adjournment.

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113 [Present: Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Prosecuting Attorney Amy Vira, Senior  
114 Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jon Cain, and Human Resources Director Angie Baird.]

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116 The session ended at 3:05 PM. No action was taken.

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118 **3:05 PM ADJOURN**

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**COUNTY COUNCIL  
SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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146 Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on January 23, 2024.