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**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL, REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2024**

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

09:00 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE.

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

- **Approval of Agenda:** Chair Fuller raised to Council to remove the reappointment of Pete Moe for a fifth term to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee from the agenda. Council discussed the reappointment to remain on the agenda for further consideration at the end of this meeting.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Wolf, to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, February 6, 2024, as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes:

MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Wolf, to approve the San Juan County Council January 16, 22, 23 2024, meeting minutes as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments: Vickie Edwards (in person) and Angela Anderson (via tele-conference) provided comments to the Council.

9:15 AM PUBLIC HEARING(S) – PUBLIC TESTIMONY ACCEPTED

1) To Adopt an Ordinance Amending the San Juan County Personnel Policy Manual, Angie Baird – Director of Human Resources.

Present: Full Council, Director of Human Resources Angie Baird, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers and Aiden Haines, Administrative Coordinator.

Chair Fuller opened the public hearing to consider approval of the resolution. Ms. Baird presented the ordinance and answered Council's questions.

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

47 Chair Fuller closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council took
48 the following action:
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50 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to adopt an Ordinance Amending section**
51 **9.050 vacation policy, of the San Juan County Personnel Policy Manual. ALL AYES;**
52 **MOTION CARRIED.**

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54 2) A Resolution Authorizing the Direct Sale of a Conservation Easement at the
55 Cady Mountain Addition Property on San Juan Island.

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57 **Present:** Full Council, Director of the Land Bank Lincoln Borman, Senior Deputy Prosecutor
58 Jon Cain, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers and Aiden Haines,
59 Administrative Coordinator.

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61 Chair Fuller opened the public hearing to consider approval of the resolution. Mr. Bormann and
62 Mr. Cain presented the resolution and answered Council's questions.

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64 Chair Fuller opened public testimony. The following individuals offered testimony: none.

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66 Chair Fuller closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council took
67 the following action:
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69 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to adopt Resolution Authorizing the Direct**
70 **Sale of a Conservation Easement at the Cady Mountain Addition Property on San Juan**
71 **Island. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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73 **9:30 AM** Discussion/Action: Northwest Clean Air Agency proposal for San Juan County
74 membership, Mark Buford Executive Director, Northwest Clean Air Authority.
75 Kyle Dodd – HCS Manager of Environmental Services.

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77 Mr. Dodd and Mr. Buford gave the presentation and answered the Council's questions. After
78 discussion the Council took the following action:
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80 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to approve staff to proceed with a letter of**
81 **interest to join the Northwest Clean Air Authority. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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83 **10:35 AM** Discussion/Action: Clarification of Vacation Payout. Staff: Mike Thomas.

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85 Mr. Thomas presented the item to Council and answered their questions. Director of Human
86 resources offered information to Council and answered their questions. After discussion, the
87 Council took the following action:
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89 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to authorize the Council Chair to sign an**
90 **amended contract for consistency with the San Juan County Personnel Policy section**
91 **9.040 (7). ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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94 **10:40 AM** **Discussion/ Presentation/Action:** Diversity Equity Inclusion and Belonging
95 (DEIB) vendor presentation, Angie Baird, Director of Human Resources and
96 Sertrice Shipley/Mattingly Solutions.
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98 Ms. Baird and Ms. Shipley gave the presentation and answered the Council's questions.
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100 **11:00 AM** **Discussion:** Budget update, Molly Foote – Budget Analyst and Natasha
101 Warmenhoven – Auditor.
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103 Ms. Foote presented the budget update answered the Council's questions. Mr. Thomas
104 offered information and answered Council's questions.
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106 **11:25 AM** **Discussion/Action:** Public Facilities Financing Assistance Program (PFFAP)
107 project date extension requests from Fisherman Bay Sewer District for the
108 Weeks Point Way sewer mainline replacement project, there have been delays in
109 permits issued and additional requirements for construction. The project was
110 awarded two grants: \$68,871.00 in 2019 and \$40,000.00 in 2020. **The request**
111 **is, for the County Council to authorize the County Manager to amend**
112 **agreements Nos.19AD-013 in the amount of \$69,871.00 and 21CC-014 in the**
113 **amount of \$40,000.00, to extend each of the contracts project completion**
114 **dates to the date of June 30, 2024.** Clerk to the Council, Sally Rogers.
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116 Ms. Rogers presented the request for extension answered the Council's questions.
117 After discussion, the Council took the following action:
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119 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to authorize the County Manager to**
120 **amend agreements Nos.19AD-013 in the amount of \$69,871.00 and 21CC-014 in the**
121 **amount of \$40,000.00, to extend each of the contracts project completion dates to the**
122 **date of June 30, 2024. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**
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124 **11:30 AM** **Discussion:** Draft letter to Legislators in support of State funded Passenger -
125 Only Ferry Service in San Juan County, Council Chair Fuller.
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126 Council discussed the letter, Chair Fuller confirmed with Council members Minney and Wolf
127 their agreement to sign and submit the letter.
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129 **11:35 PM** **Discussion:** Chair Fuller brought forward discussion regarding a request from
130 Puget Sound Regional Council (PSRC) for Local Elected Officials to sign a letter
131 to the Governor and Transportation Chairs to commit more funding for the state
132 ferry system.
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134 Council discussed the letter and took into consideration to sign as individual elected officials.
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136 **11:50 AM** **New Business:**
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138 Ms. Wolf:

139 >BOLDT Decision - 50th anniversary,

140 >County staff work plan update for homelessness or emergency shelter,

141 >Stewardship potential for County of tidelands and eelgrass meadow near Indian Island.

142 **12:05 PM RECESS**

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144 **1:00 PM Council Member, County Manager & Clerk Updates:**

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146 Legislative Update from Ms. Minney: HB 2023 update and response (election materials to be
147 translated into Spanish) and update from attending the WSAC Legislative Steering Committee,

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149 Mr. Fuller shared that enrichment bills for schools in the legislative session have died, special
150 education bill is still alive.

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152 **Council Updates:**

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154 Ms. Wolf: Attended the following: EPRC meeting, Common Good Workshop, and Agricultural
155 Resources annual meeting.

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157 Future meeting: NACo Legislative Conference in Washington DC.

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159 Ms. Minney: Attended the following: First quarter business meeting for WSAC Board of
160 Directors, LSC in Olympia and Land Bank Commission interviews, and Community
161 Collaborations Committee.

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163 Future meetings: Two more sessions for LSC meetings and Tribal Training.

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165 Ms. Fuller: Attended the following: Met with Cameron Caldwell/Senator Cantwell's rep.,
166 ongoing conversations with Josh Weiss, communications with Toby Cooper regarding article
167 on passenger only ferries, joined with Lopez Island School Advocacy Working Group for
168 meeting with Lopez Town Hall, and Climate Sustainability Advisory meeting.

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170 Future meetings: Meeting with the Town of Friday Harbor.

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172 Mr. Tompkins: Has been meeting with Mr. Thomas for transition and continuity of County
173 Manager business.

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175 **Committee Appointments and Reappointments, for Council's consideration, by the**
176 **Clerk to the Council:**

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- 178 • **Ferry Advisory Committee**, reappointment of Ken Burtness for a third term.
- 179 • **Housing Advisory Committee**, reappointment of Anne Bertino & Farhad Ghatan for
180 their second term.
- 181 • **Board of Health**, appointment of Richard Geffen, for a first term.
- 182 • **Land Bank Commission**, appointment of Anne Marie Shanks and Tim Clark each for a
183 first term.

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185 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to approve the slate of volunteers as read**
186 **by the Clerk to the Council. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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- 188 • **Solid Waste Advisory Committee**, appointment for Justin Hagge and reappointment
189 of Pete Moe for a fifth term.

190 **MOVED by Ms. Minney seconded by Ms. Wolf to appoint Justin Hagge to the Solid**
191 **Waste Advisory Committee. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.** (Pete Moe was not re-
192 appointed.)

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194 **ADJOURN (time approximate) 1:40 PM**

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198 **COUNTY COUNCIL**
199 **SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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202 Christine Minney
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212 Jane Fuller
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217 **ATTEST: Clerk to the Council**

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220 **By:** _____
221 Sally Rogers Date:

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225 Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on February 27, 2024.