



**MEETING MINUTES  
COUNTY COUNCIL  
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2025**

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

**09:00 AM Call to Order & Flag Salute.**

Council Chair McVeigh called the meeting to order at 09:00 AM. Present: Council Members Kari McVeigh, Jane Fuller and Justin Paulsen, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

**Excused Absences:** None.

**Approval of Agenda:** Agenda approved as amended. County Manager Jessica Hudson removed the agenda item; 2<sup>nd</sup> touch Ordinance Updating Dog Licensing Fees to be brought back to Council on a future agenda.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve the San Juan County Council October 6, 2025, meeting minutes as presented. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

**MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, October 21, 2025, as presented. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.**

**New Employee Introductions:**

Sev Jones introduced Robert Salgado – Fire Marshall, Department of Community Development.

**Correspondence:**

**MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve a letter appointing Sev Jones as the County’s Certifying Officer for HUD-related Environmental Documents. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.**

**Public Comments:** Magali Cota, Pete Helsell, Claudia Costa, and David Bill offered comments.

**09:19 AM PUBLIC HEARINGS – PUBLIC TESTIMONY ACCEPTED**

- 1) To consider a Resolution Adopting the Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2026-2031 and a Resolution Adopting the 2026 Annual Construction Program (ACP), Jesse Douglass-Seitz- Deputy Director, Department of Public Works.

Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

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49 Chair McVeigh opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Resolutions. Mr.  
50 Douglass-Seitz presented the Resolutions and answered Council's questions.

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52 Chair McVeigh opened public testimony. Public testimony offered by the following: Chom  
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55 Chair McVeigh closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, Council  
56 took the following action:

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58 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve a Resolution Adopting the**  
59 **Six-Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) 2026-2031 as amended, and a**  
60 **Resolution Adopting the 2026 Annual Construction Program (ACP) as amended. ALL**  
61 **AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**

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63 2) To consider a Proposed Ordinance Regarding the San Juan Islands Conservation  
64 District; Amending Rates and Charges, Repealing SJCC 3.36.020, and Amending  
65 SJCC 3.36.030, 3.36.040, And 3.36.050, Paul Andersson – Executive Director, San  
66 Juan Islands Conservation District.

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68 Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

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70 Chair McVeigh opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Ordinance. Mr. Andersson  
71 presented the Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

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73 Chair McVeigh opened public testimony. Public testimony offered by the following: Vicki Heater,  
74 Pete Helsell, Cathi Winings, Claudia Costa, and David Bill.

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

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79 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller seconded by Mr. Paulsen adopt an Ordinance Regarding the San**  
80 **Juan Islands Conservation District; Amending Rates and Charges, Repealing SJCC**  
81 **3.36.020, and Amending SJCC 3.36.030, 3.36.040, 3.36.050, and 3.36.060. ALL AYES,**  
82 **MOTION CARRIED.**

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84 **10:00 AM** Discussion: 3rd Quarter Financial Review, Dr. Molly Foote – Budget Analyst,  
85 Auditor's Office.

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87 Ms. Foote presented the review and answered Council's questions.

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89 **10:50 AM** Discussion: House Bill 2015- Sales and Use Tax Option for Public Safety, Tillery  
90 Williams- Deputy County Manager.

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92 Mr. Williams gave a presentation and answered Council's questions.

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95 **11:15 AM** **Discussion:** Continued 2026-2027 Biennial Budget Discussion, Dr. Molly Foote-  
96 Budget Analyst.  
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98 Ms. Foote gave an update to Council, received direction, and answered their questions.  
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100 **12:38 PM** **Recess**

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102 **01:10 PM** **Discussion/Action:** To set a Public Hearing for the San Juan County  
103 Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update on November 25, 2025, at 9:15 a.m. Sophia  
104 Cassam – Planner III, Department of Community Development.  
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106 Clerk Sally Rogers offered to present and request to set the public hearing on behalf of Mr.  
107 Cassam, Chair McVeigh read the agenda for Council’s consideration. After discussion, the  
108 following action was taken:  
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110 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller seconded by Mr. Paulsen to set a Public Hearing for the San Juan**  
111 **County Comprehensive Plan Periodic Update on November 25, 2025, at 9:15 a.m. ALL**  
112 **AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**  
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114 **01:12 PM** **Discussion:** Fleet Departmental Budget Work Session, John Roach – Director,  
115 Fleet Services Department.  
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117 Mr. Roach presented the department budget and answered Council’s questions.  
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119 **01:55 PM** **Discussion:** Roads Department Budget Work Session, Colin Huntemer- Director,  
120 Department of Public Works.  
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122 Mr. Huntemer presented the department budget and answered Council’s questions.  
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124 **02:15 PM** **Discussion:** Council Office Department Budget Work Session, Jessica Hudson,  
125 County Manager and Sally Rogers, Council Clerk.  
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127 Ms. Hudson and Ms. Rogers presented the department budget and answered Council’s  
128 questions.  
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130 **02:40 PM** **Discussion:** Health and Community Services Department Budget Work Session,  
131 Mark Tompkins- Director, Health and Community Services Department.  
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133 Mr. Tompkins presented the department budget and answered Council’s questions.  
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135 **02:55 PM** Council Member Paulsen excused himself from the meeting.  
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137 **02:55 PM** **Discussion:** 2nd touch on the County’s Draft Five-Year Homeless Plan Update,  
138 Ryan Page – Housing Program Coordinator, Department of Health and  
139 Community Services.  
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141 Mr. Page presented the updated plan and answered Council’s questions.

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142 **03:15 PM** Discussion/Action: 1st touch, Ordinances setting the Property Tax Levies for 1)  
143 Current Expense, 2) County Roads and 3) Land Conservation, and to set a public  
144 hearing on November 25, 2025, at 9:15 a.m., Jessica Hudson – County Manager.  
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146 Ms. Hudson presented the Ordinances, requested to set a public hearing and answered  
147 Council’s questions. After discussion, Council took the following action:  
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149 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. McVeigh to set a public hearing on November 25,**  
150 **2025, at 9:15 a.m. to consider Ordinances setting the Property Tax Levies for 1) Current**  
151 **Expense, 2) County Roads and 3) Land Conservation. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**  
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153 **03:16 PM Council Member and County Manager Updates were postponed.**  
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155 Clerk Update: Ms. Rogers: Upcoming meetings; November 3, 4, 10, 25, 2025.  
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157 Committee Appointment/Reappointments  
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159 Marine Resources Committee, to appoint two youth positions: Flora Vaught and Lola  
160 Walker each for a 2-year term beginning 10/21/2025 to 10/21/2027.  
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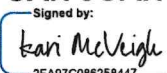
162 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Ms. McVeigh to approve the committee appointment**  
163 **as read by the Clerk. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**  
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165 Chari McVeigh adjourned the meeting at 3:17 PM.  
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167 **ADJOURN 3:17 PM**  
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**COUNTY COUNCIL  
SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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Kari McVeigh  
District 1

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Justin Paulsen  
District 2

  
Jane Fuller  
District 3

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189 ATTEST: Clerk to the Council

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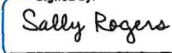
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By:  12/30/2025  
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Sally Rogers Date:

Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on November 25, 2025.