



**MEETING MINUTES
COUNTY COUNCIL
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 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, Deputy County Manager Tillery Williams and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Excused Absences: None.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Mr. Paulsen, seconded by Ms. Fuller to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, August 5, 2025, as presented. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments: Luci Frances, Richard Daly, and Sophia Lyles provided comments to Council.

Approval of Agenda: Amended to have New Business earlier than the scheduled time.

MOVED by Mr. Paulsen, seconded by Ms. Fuller to have agenda item, New Business discussion prior to the Public Hearing scheduled for 9:15 a.m. ALL AYES: MOTION CARRIED.

09:05 AM New Business: Council discussed to have a letter drafted and to be sent to state representatives from Council, for a future meeting, requesting legislation to generally prohibit wearing of masks and to wear identifying uniforms for Federal law enforcement when carrying out actions in Washington State.

09:15 AM PUBLIC HEARING – PUBLIC TESTIMONY ACCEPTED

To consider a Resolution Regarding Surplus Gravel on Waldron Island; Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Personal Property by Public Bid and Authorizing a Multi-year Gravel Extraction Lease, Colin Huntemer – Director, Department of Public Works.

Present: Full Council, County Manager Jessica Hudson, and Public Works Director Colin Huntemer.

Chair McVeigh opened the public hearing to consider adoption of the Resolution. Mr. Huntemer presented the resolution and answered Council's questions.

Chair McVeigh opened public testimony. Public testimony offered by the following: None.

Chair McVeigh closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, Council

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50 took the following action:

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52 **MOVED AND AMENDED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to Resolution Regarding**
53 **Surplus Gravel on Waldron Island; Authorizing Disposal of Surplus Personal Property by**
54 **Public Bid and Authorizing a Multi-year Gravel Extraction Lease to include numerical**
55 **corrections. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**

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57 **09:45 AM** Public Comment: John Ketcham provided comments to Council.

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59 **09:50 AM** Discussion/Action:

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- 2nd touch, to set a public hearing for September 9, 2025, at 9:15 a.m. to consider approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Direct Sale of a Portion of Tax Parcel No. 152232006 on Decatur Island, Jeff Sharp- Deputy County Engineer, Department of Public Works.

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- 2nd touch, review a Resolution Accepting a Right of Way Easement Dedication, Jeff Sharp- Deputy County Engineer, Department of Public Works.

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Mr. Sharp presented the resolutions, requested to set a public hearing. and answered Council's questions. After discussion, Council took the following action:

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72 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to set a public hearing for September 9,**
73 **2025, at 9:15 a.m. to consider approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Direct Sale of a**
74 **Portion of Tax Parcel No. 152232006 on Decatur Island. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**

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76 **09:55 AM** Discussion: 1st touch, Hannah Heights Water Franchise, Jeff Sharp- Deputy
77 County Engineer, Department of Public Works.

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79 Mr. Sharp gave a presentation and requested direction from Council if Public Works should
80 proceed with drafting a utility franchise agreement for their consideration. Council gave
81 direction to proceed with the agreement to come back to future meeting.

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83 **10:05 AM** Discussion: 2025 Second Quarter Financial Review, Dr. Molly Foote- Budget
84 Analyst, Auditors Office.

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86 Ms. Foote gave a presentation and answered Council's questions.

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88 **10:40 AM** Discussion 2nd Touch, 2025 Second Budget Amendment to consider two
89 ordinances;

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- Ordinance Revising the San Juan County 2025 Budget for Emergency Appropriations; Amending Ordinances 16-2023, 20-2024, 06-2025, 07-2025 and 08-2025,

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- 95 • Ordinance Revising the San Juan County 2025 Budget for Supplemental
96 Appropriations; Amending Ordinances 16-2023, 20-2024, 06-2025, 07-2025, 08-
97 2025 and ____-2025, Dr. Molly Foote – Budget Analyst, Auditors Office.
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99 Ms. Foote presented the budget amendment, ordinances and answered Council’s questions.
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101 **10:50 AM** **Discussion:** Budgeting Philosophy and Priorities Discussion Continued, Dr. Molly
102 Foote – Budget Analyst, Auditors Office.
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104 Ms. Foote gave a presentation and answered Council’s questions.
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106 **11:05 AM** **Discussion:** Discussion: 1st touch, Wildlife Protection Ordinance, Tillery Williams-
107 Deputy County Manager.
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109 Mr. Williams gave a presentation regarding wildlife protection and a 1st touch with a
110 Draft ordinance, requesting if the ordinance should proceed to a 2nd touch. After discussion,
111 Council gave direction to continue engaging with local community members and agencies, and
112 come back to a future meeting to report information collected.
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114 **11:30 AM** **Discussion/Action:** 1st touch, and to Set a Public Hearing on ~~September 23rd~~
115 2025, August 26, 2025, at 9:15 a.m., Community Development Block Grant
116 Application for Lopez Food Center, Mark Tompkins – Director, Department of
117 Health and Community Services and Kristen Rezabek - Health & Nutrition
118 Coordinator • Health & Community Services.
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120 Mr. Tompkins and Ms. Rezabek presented the grant application information and requested to
121 set a public hearing. After discussion for the date to set the hearing, Council took the following
122 action:
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124 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to set a Public Hearing on August 26, at**
125 **9:15 a.m., Community Development Block Grant Application for Lopez Food Center. ALL**
126 **AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**
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128 **11:50 AM** **Recess**
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130 **12:50 PM** **Discussion:** 1st touch, and to Set a Public Hearing on October 7th, 2025, at 9:15
131 a.m., to Consider the 2025 Docket Update, Colin Maycock- Planner IV,
132 Department of Community Development.
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134 Mr. Maycock presented the 2025 Docket Update, requested to set a public hearing and
135 requested to set a public hearing. After discussion, Council took the following action:
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137 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to set a public hearing for October 7,**
138 **2025, at 9:15 a.m. to consider a Resolution Adding the 2025 Docket of a Proposed Text**
139 **Amendment to Title 18 San Juan County Code (SJCC) to the Department’s Work Plan.**
140 **ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**

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141 **01:07 PM** **Discussion/Action:** Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) Awards Funding, Ryan
142 Page – Housing Program Coordinator, Department of Housing and Community
143 Development.
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145 Mr. Page presented the Housing Advisory Committee’s funding allocation recommendations
146 and answered Council’s questions. After discussion, Council took the following action:
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148 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve the Housing Advisory**
149 **Committee’s funding allocations recommendations for the Emergency Rental Assistance**
150 **program as detailed by staff. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**
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152 **01:25 PM** **Discussion/Action:** Request to Submit Grant Funding Application for Integrated
153 Water Resource Planning, Katie Johnson – Marine Project Coordinator,
154 Department of Environmental Stewardship and Kendra Smith – Director,
155 Department of Environmental Stewardship.
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157 Ms. Johnson and Ms. Smith presented proposed grant funding information and answered
158 Council’s questions. After discussion, Council took the following action:
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160 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve Environmental Stewardship**
161 **to pursue grant funding for integrated water resources management planning from Puget**
162 **Sound Partnership. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED.**
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164 **01:35 PM** **Discussion:** Resolution, to Adopt Updated Operating Standards and Add a Youth
165 Member Position to the Marine Resources Committee, Katie Johnson – Marine
166 Project Coordinator, Department of Environmental Stewardship.
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168 Ms. Johnson presented the resolution and answered Council’s questions. After discussion,
169 Council took the following action:
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171 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve a Resolution Regarding the**
172 **Marine Resources Committee; Amending Committee Powers and Duties, Clarifying**
173 **Committee Business Rules, and Establishing Youth Committee Membership. ALL AYES,**
174 **MOTION CARRIED.**
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176 **01:45 PM** **Council, Deputy County Manager, and Clerk Updates:**
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178 **Ms. Fuller:** Attended the following: Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC)
179 Regional meeting, site visits on Lopez Island with Public Works Deputy Director and Public
180 Works Director, Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) meeting, Board of Health (BOH)
181 meeting, visit from Senator Lovelett to Lopez Island during the music festival including a site
182 visit to the Lopez Food Center and held a Lopez Island Town Hall meeting.
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184 Future meeting: To Decatur Island with community.
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186 **Mr. Paulsen:** Attended the following: Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC)
187 Regional meeting, took a tour of work about to happen on Crescent Beach Reserve, have been

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188 in discussions with Island Rides, met with Colin for continued discussions about marine
189 facilities, a Funhouse fundraiser on Orcas and met with the Sheriff in a meeting with Rep.
190 Larsen.

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192 Spoke of a Behavior Health Administrative Services Organization (BHASO) meeting held on
193 San Juan Island and the challenges for participants making reservations and traveling on
194 Washington State Ferries.

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196 **Ms. McVeigh:** Attended the following: Town Council meeting, Northwest Regional Council
197 (NWRC) meeting, Noxious Weeds Control Board meeting, a site visit to Douglas/Bailer Hill with
198 Public Works Deputy Director Jesse Douglas-Seitz, Public Funds Facilities Assistance Program
199 (PFFAP) meeting, Beaverton Marsh Preserve Feed back session and met with Rep. Larsen.

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201 **Mr. Willams:** Will be attending a Town Council meeting and the SJC Fair.

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203 Public Defender Paul Cognac to start on August 18th and will be working with staff for office set
204 up and orientation.

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206 **Ms. Rogers:** Upcoming meetings; August 19, September 8, 9, 23, 2025.

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208 **Committee Appointment/Reappointments**

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- 210 • Veterans Advisory Board – to appoint Bill Jagger to a 2-year term, starting 8/5/2025 – 8/5/2027.
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 - 212 • Solid Waste Advisory Committee- to appoint Colby White to a 3-year term starting 8/5/2025-
 - 213 8/5/2028
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 - 215 • Noxious Weed Control Board – to reappoint Todd Goldsmith to a second 4- year term starting
 - 216 8/5/2025-8/5/2029
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 - 218 • Marine Resource Committee – to reappoint Karin Roemers Kleven for a second 4-year term
 - 219 starting 8/5/2025-8/5/2029
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221 **MOVED by Ms. Fuller, seconded by Mr. Paulsen to approve the committee appointments**
222 **and reappointments as read by the Council Clerk. All Ayes, Motion Carried**

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224 **2:03 PM** Chair McVeigh adjourned the meeting.

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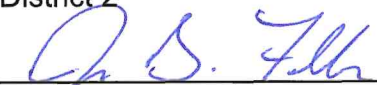
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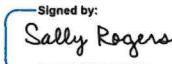
Kari McVeigh
District 1

Signed by:

Justin Paulsen
District 2


Jane Fuller
District 3

ATTEST: Clerk to the Council

By: 
Sally Rogers
Date: 12/30/2025

Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on September 9, 2025.