

MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 2, 2015

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

09:03 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Jarman called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM. Present: Council Members Bob Jarman, Rick Hughes and Jamie Stephens; County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel and interested members of the public.

Citizens Access: The following citizens submitted comments: none

09:05 AM ACTION (continued from Jan 27): To Approve a Resolution to Revise the Maximum Lawful Speed Limit for Roche Harbor Road, Number 3, Milepost 0.500 to Milepost 0.757 from 35 Miles Per Hour to 25 Miles Per Hour - Mike Thomas, County Manager

Mr. Thomas presented the Resolution and answered Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve a Resolution to Revise the Maximum Lawful Speed Limit for Roche Harbor Road, Number 3, Milepost 0.500 to Milepost 0.757 from 35 Miles Per Hour to 25 Miles Per Hour. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

09:08 AM DISCUSSION & UPDATES: Council, County Manager & Departments

Mr. Stephens: discussed changes in the administration of the Bureau of Land Management; discussed proposed state legislation that would allow governmental entities to join the Public Employment Benefit Board per request (PEBB); presented a letter of support for statute controlled counties that would allow their Boards to make decisions at meetings out of the county seat – Council agreed to send the letter to State Legislature; reported that the Puget Sound Partnership approved a strategic initiative that will study the west side of San Juan County and develop policy regarding oil spill prevention and response; requested that Mr. Hughes call Senator King to discuss transportation issues and monitor the related legislative bills; a hearing will take place this week on marijuana production revenue sharing with the counties revenue sharing; reported that the first public hearing will take place on the Governor's bill on the marine transport of oil and hazardous substances; will meet with State Representative Kristine Lytton on Wednesday to review priorities for the new legislative session; will attend an Accountability Oversight Committee on Tuesday and needs coverage as he will be in Olympia - Mr. Jarman will attend in his place.

MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens moved to approve a letter to the Honorable Sally Jewel (U.S. Secretary of the Interior) regarding conservation of San Juan Islands and a request to continue to work with the different department agencies as written by Mr. Stephens ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve a letter drafted by Mr. Stephens in support of all Washington counties joining the Public Employment Benefits Board (PEBB). ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Hughes: asked for an action item on next week's agenda to confirm the Council's schedule in Olympia; working on HB1868 that would allow use of road funds to support marine projects, state parks and ferries; is meeting with the Motorboat Lobby to ask for their support of HB1868 to create sustainable park funding through the Northern Boat Excise Tax and increase marine infrastructure in San Juan County; will draft a letter for Mr. Stephens to take to the marijuana public hearings requesting that counties share the revenue and address the transportation issues regarding distribution of marijuana.

Mr. Hughes requested that the Council make the following committee appointments:

MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Hughes to appoint Jenny Rice, John Fleischer and Mimi Anderson to the Agriculture Resource Committee. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Mr. Jarman: attending Thursday meeting with Town of Friday Harbor; reported that the Building Advisory Committee is organizing a separate hearings board to address building code concerns; will write a letter to the Whidbey Naval Air Base regarding excessive jet noise; met with land owner for Pear Point connector road project, but he had no land to sell; Mr. Jarman will go with Information Services Manager Stan Matthews on Wednesday to visit an emergency dispatch center on the mainland.

Mr. Thomas: will go to Orcas Island tomorrow to meet with a variety of groups; meeting with a Public Works Director candidate next week; reported that risk training includes a boaters course this week.

Ms. Gabriel: Council revised their committee appointments for 2015. Mr. Jarman will take on all positions reserved for the Chair; Mr. Hughes will be the new liaison for the Stormwater Committee.

10:09 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Evaluation of the Performance of a Public and pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) and **CLOSED SESSION:** To discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) – Pamela Morais, Human Resource Manager

At 10:06 AM, Council Chair Jarman announced that the Council would be holding an executive session and a closed session estimated to last 90 minutes.

Present: Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Human Resource Manager Pamela Morais and Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

The executive session ended at 11:06 for a total executive session time of 60 minutes.

The closed session ended at 11:44 for a total closed session time of 28 minutes.

No Action was taken.

Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive session and closed session had ended.

Mr. Jarman called the meeting back into regular session and announced that the Council has decided to send a letter to the Prosecuting Attorney concerning potential litigation.

11:44 AM ADJOURN

Mr. Jarman adjourned the meeting.

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These Minutes were approved and signed on February 10, 2015. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.