

**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2014**

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

09:07 AM CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Hughes called the meeting to order at 09:07 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.

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New Employee Introductions:

Approval of Minutes:

MOVED by Mr. Jarman, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the minutes of July 14, 2014 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED by Mr. Jarman, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the minutes of July 15, 2014 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Review and Approve Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Jarman to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, August 5, 2014:

A. Resolution(s): Resolution Changing Custodians of Juvenile Court Revolving Fund

B. Budget Items:

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of July 7, 2014:

- Warrant #142914 – Silke Communications for Sheriff Dept. in the sum of \$55,695.33
- Warrant #71020142 (EFT) – State of Washington for Parks Dept. in the sum of \$4,217.83
- Warrant #143066 – 143180 – County claims in the sum of \$81,005.66
- Warrant #143020 – 143065 – Public Works claims in the sum of \$350,604.65

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of July 14, 2014:

- Warrant #143279 County claims in the amount of \$1,140.14
- Warrant #143280 Veteran's Assistance in the amount of \$2,400.00
- Warrant #143281 – 143360 County claims in the amount of \$189,303.29
- Warrant #143361 – 143395 Public Works claims in the amount of \$60,259.52
- Warrant #143396 – 143399 Public Works claims in the amount of \$957.39
- EFT #07172014 Public Works EFT in the amount of \$1,005.77

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of July 21, 2014:

- Warrant #143627 – 143704 County claims in the amount of \$144,722.48 Warrant #143705 – 143726 Public Works claims in the amount of \$54,243.72

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of July 28, 2014:

- Warrant #143848 County claims in the amount of \$100.00
- Warrant #143849 – 143854 Veteran's Assistance claims in the amount of \$1,882.29
- Warrant #143909 – 143971 County claims in the amount of \$55,488.69
- Warrant #143972 – 143995 Public Works claims in the amount of \$284,420.54
- Warrant #143996 – 144002 Public Works claims in the amount of \$2,505.95

ALL EYES: MOTION CARRIED.

Citizens Access: The following citizens submitted comments: Brent Snow

09:20 AM DISCUSSION: Second Quarter Financial Review – Milene Henley, Auditor

Ms. Henley presented the Review and answered Council's questions.

09:39 AM DISCUSSION: Fire Marshal Services – Council

Mr. Hughes introduced the upcoming Fire Audit of the County and suggested contracting with a marshal before September to meet the immediate need for inspections and keep insurance down. The audit is due in December.

10:00 AM DISCUSSION: Islands Trust Transborder Agreement Renewal – Rick Hughes, Council Chair

Mr. Hughes asked the Council to provide him with any changes they would like to make to a renewed agreement.

Mr. Hughes asked Council if they were interested in setting up a Conservation Program for Forest Land designation. Council asked for more information.

10:05 AM DISCUSSION: Open Space Tax Incentive for Shoreline Armoring Reduction – Council

Mr. Stephens provided information regarding the Puget Sound Partnership's efforts to develop incentives for shoreline owners to reduce armoring and replace bulkheads.

10:21 AM DISCUSSION: Short-term Vacation Rental Compliance – Council

The Council discussed creating a team to develop a process by which to help people offering short-term vacation rentals without permits come into compliance.

10:25 AM DISCUSSION (continued from 8/4): 2015 & 2016 Legislative Priority Planning Session – Council

Mr. Hughes confirmed that Representatives Kristine Lytton and Jeff Morris will be meeting with Council on Thursday, August 14 in the Legislative Hearing Room.

10:27 AM DISCUSSION: Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Local Government Advisory Committee Protecting America's Waters Workgroup Protecting America's Waters Workgroup – Rick Hughes, Council Chair

Mr. Hughes introduced the topic and asked Council if they agreed to inform the Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) that they believed the EPA was overstepping their regulatory function. The EPA is proposing to regulate storm water discharge in Washington State.

10:31 AM ACTION: Set two August 26, 2014 Public Hearings to Approve the Deer Harbor Road Alignment for the Deer Harbor Bridge and to Approve the Cattle Point Road Vacation – Rachel Dietzman, County Engineer

MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Jarman to set a public hearing to consider approval of the Deer Harbor Bridge Road Alignment for the Deer Harbor Bridge on August 26, 2014 at 9:15 AM. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Jarman to set a public hearing on August 26, 2014 at 9:15 AM to approve the Cattle Point Road Vacation. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

10:34 PM COUNCIL MEMBER, COUNTY MANAGER & CLERK UPDATES & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Mr. Stephens: Discussed making comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS) regarding British Petroleum's (BP) use of the Cherry Point Terminal dock. Council agreed that the draft EIS is incomplete in its scope and did not include potential impacts to San Juan County. Mr. Stephens will write a letter to that point to the Army Corps of Engineers.

Mr. Thomas (County Manager): Received a message from the Utilities and Transportation Commission (UTC) regarding the November 2013 telephone outage indicating that the report is completed and will be available shortly; updated the Council on the installation of the new county-wide E911 phone system upgrade; reported that the collective bargaining is beginning on August 6; has met with individual department heads to review budgets prior submission to the Auditor; has documents to email to Council regarding the Neck Point project; Mr. Hughes and Mr. Thomas met with Linda Cohen from the Department of Commerce to discuss capital funding requests

Mr. Hughes: Reported that he put in a request for a Point of View from the Water Resources Committee on how various tiers of marijuana growing operations will affect water consumption and our water table.

11:20 AM CLOSED SESSION: To discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) - Pamela Morais, Human Resource Manager; Jon Cain, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney
Present: Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Parks and Fair Director Dona Wuthnow. Auditor Milene Henley, Operations Manager Russ Harvey, Pamela Morais and Jon Cain.

At 11:20 AM, Council Chair Hughes announced that the Council would be holding an executive closed session pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) estimated to last 1 hour and 45 minutes.

The session ended at 1:20 PM for a total executive session time of two hours.

No Action was taken.

Staff Assistant Sue Kollet stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the closed session had ended. Mr. Hughes called the meeting back into regular session and then recessed the meeting until 2:30 PM.

01:20 PM RECESS

02:33 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss **current and pending litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)** – Jon Cain, Deputy Civil Prosecuting Attorney
Present: Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Land Bank Director Lincoln Bormann, Jon Cain and Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

At 2:33 PM, Council Chair Hughes announced that the Council would be holding an executive session to **pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)** estimated to last 15 minutes.

The session ended at 2:56 PM for a total executive session time of 23 minutes.

Mr. Hughes stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive session had ended. Mr. Hughes called the meeting back into regular session and the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Jarman to reject the settlement offer from the Nimbus Bale Trust for the Land Bank's Mt. Ben Property. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

02:56 PM EXECUTIVE SESSION: Evaluation of the Performance of a Public Employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) – Mike Thomas, County Manager
Present: Council, Mike Thomas

At 2:56 PM, Council Chair Hughes announced that the Council would be holding an executive session **pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g)** estimated to last 45 minutes.

The session ended at 3:45 PM for a total executive session time of 49 minutes.

Mr. Hughes stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive session had ended.

No Action was taken.

03:45 PM ADJOURN

Mr. Hughes called the meeting back into regular session and then adjourned the meeting.

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These Minutes were approved and signed on August 19, 2014. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.