

MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2014

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

09:04 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Hughes called the meeting to order at 9:04 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

09:06 AM 2015 BUDGET PRESENTATIONS: Superior Court; Juvenile Court; County Clerk Superior Court Judge Don Eaton, County Clerk Joan White and Juvenile Court Administrator Tom Kearney each presented their departmental budgets and answered Council's questions.

09:26 AM DISCUSSION: Stormwater Ordinance & Update (1st Touch) - Mike Thomas, County Manager; Ed Hale, Utilities Manager

Mr. Thomas and Mr. Hale presented the Update and answered Council's questions.

09:40 AM DISCUSSION: Chemical Dependency & Mental Health Treatment Services 1/10th Program Update - Barbara LaBrash, Human Services Manager; Barry Jacobson, Human Services Advisory Board Chair

Ms. LaBrash and Mr. Jacobson presented an Update and answered Council's questions.

11:05 AM CLOSED SESSION: To discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) – Mike Thomas, County Manager; Pamela Morais, Human Resource Manager

At 11:05 AM, Council Chair Hughes announced that the Council would be holding a closed session estimated to last 60 minutes.

Present: Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Auditor Milene Henley, Human Resources Manager Pamela Morais and Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

The session ended at 12:30 PM for a total executive session time of 85 minutes.

No Action was taken.

Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive session had ended. Mr. Hughes called the meeting back into regular session.

12:32 PM RECESS

01:40 PM DISCUSSION & UPDATES: Council, County Manager & Departments

Mr. Jarman: Working on regulations regarding what can be built around a man-made vs. a natural pond; researching background of our current cell phone ordinance and if any companies are interested in providing expanded cell phone service to San Juan County.

Mr. Stephens: Reported on a meeting regarding jet noise on Lopez Island with Representative Rick Larsen; suggested writing separate thank you letters regarding Cattle Point Road and the Deer Harbor Bridge from the Council; reported that Environmental Impact Studies (EIS) has been reopened to determine the impact of additional “Growler” jets to be stationed at Whidbey Naval Air Force Base – Mr. Stephens suggested hosting one of the EIS scoping meetings on Lopez Island; attended the Marine Resources Committee (MRC) meeting on October 8 ; attended the Northsound Mental Health Association meeting and reported that the State will have to share the new risk resulting from moving chemically dependent individuals under the umbrella of mental health services – also discussed transitioning patients discharged from mental health facilities; reported that Senator Maria Cantwell’s Legislative Director, Pete Modaff plans to visit San Juan County.

Mr. Hughes: Reported that the Department of Commerce may allow a two-year extension for completion of our comprehensive plan; attended Parks & Fair annual wrap-up meeting last week; attended the Deer Harbor Planning and Review Committee (DHPRC) meeting last week to prepare for an open house regarding the Deer Harbor Bridge project – Mr. Hughes praised Senior Project Engineer Colin Huntemer for his excellent work on the bridge project; noted that the Land Bank has its annual retreat on Canoe Island next week; will attend an Orcas Power and Light Cooperative (OPALCO) meeting on broadband, an Opportunity Council meeting and an Economic Development Council (EDC) meeting over the next week; attended a Ferry Partnership meeting on October 11 in Anacortes.

Mr. Thomas: Reported on solutions for eliminating the problem of maggots falling from solid waste disposal trucks on the ferries; labor negotiations continue as does interviewing for a new planning manager at Community Development; budget meetings continue; this week, project meetings continue on the Waldron parking lot on Orcas and fixing the parking lot obstruction at the Deer Harbor post office; the fire marshal request for qualifications has been extended another week

Ms. Gabriel: Discussed the Council agenda for October 20 and confirmed that the agenda item on Marine Transport information would be moved to Tuesday, October 21.

02:16 PM ADJOURN

Mr. Hughes adjourned the meeting.

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These Minutes were approved and signed on October 21, 2014. The original document is retained in the Council’s permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.