

MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2013

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

09:02 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 09:02 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:

09:03 AM DISCUSSION & UPDATES: Council, County Manager & Departments

Mr. Hughes: Received a letter regarding a Waldron petition to declare Waldron Island as a “drone-free zone” (SJCC does not have authority to tell the Federal Aviation Administration not to use drones, but agreed that the County will not fund any kind of unmanned or remote controlled aircraft) and will draft a response; National Endowment of the Arts wants support from the Council to create an arts walkway through a County owned parcel on Prune Alley in Eastsound; Island Stewards are asking San Juan County to act as the municipal entity in their application for the Georgetown University Energy Prize; held a Town Hall meeting on Orcas and thanked Auditor Milene Henley, County Manager Mike Thomas and Senior Planner Colin Maycock for contributing to its success; attended an Eastsound Planning and Review Committee (EPRC) meeting and reported that the committee will consider a major overhaul of the Eastsound sub-area plan.

Mr. Stephens: Reported that two applications were received for two vacant positions on the Land Bank board (Mr. Hughes will review the applications and make a recommendation); the Marine Resources Committee (MRC) submitted a requested letter with recommendations on the Hydraulic Permit Process; State Senator Kevin Ranker circulated a letter to U.S. Interior Secretary Jewell that will be considered for support at the December 10th Council meeting.

Mr. Jarman: Wants further discussion on cell-tower activity; attended a Town of Friday Harbor meeting and recommends cooperating with the Town on various projects (i.e., stormwater); attended the Whidbey Island Naval Air Station Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) scoping meeting in Anacortes on the EA-18G “Growler” jet; John Lackey has stepped down from Planning Commission and Tom Starr has applied for the open position (Ms. Kollet will set up interviews with applicants.)

Mr. Thomas: Commented on the Washington Transportation Utilities Commission meeting being held in the Legislative Hearing Room on December 9 beginning at 6:00 PM.

09:30 AM DISCUSSION: Shoreline Master Program – Colin Maycock, Senior Planner

The following citizens provided comment: Hector Cyre, Janet Alderton, Jack Cory.

Mr. Maycock presented the Program and answered Council’s questions.

10:22 AM DISCUSSION: Orcas Ferry Property – Rick Hughes, Council Vice-Chair

Council and Mr. Maycock discussed the potential for expanded parking on property near the Orcas ferry terminal owned by the Washington Department of Transportation (WDOT).

[Mr. Stephens excused himself from the meeting at 10:31 AM.]

Council continued with discussion on the scheduled December 9th evening Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission meeting.

10:43 AM ADJOURN

Mr. Hughes adjourned the meeting.

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These Minutes were approved and signed on December 17, 2013. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.