

MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2013

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

09:00 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 09:00 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: Jack Cory, Nick Jones, David Dehlendorf, Richard Durhack,

DISCUSSION & UPDATES WITH COUNCIL

Mr. Jarman: discussed the recent Mt. Baker Road dedication; identified areas of stormwater management needs in Eastsound; asked that future budget presentations include specific information on the costs of anticipated projects; met with the new Manager of CenturyLink; will be bringing Greg Hertel's name forward for a position on the Planning Commission.

Mr. Hughes: discussed flooding of businesses in Eastsound; requested planning for stormwater drainage; reported on recent Ferry Advisory meetings; thanked Public Works for the completion of the walking trails along Mt. Baker Road.

Mr. Stephens: reported that the Northwest Regional Council is interviewing for a new Executive Director; agreed to continue working on the Legislative Steering Committee; met with Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Amy Vira on the Shoreline Master Program (SMP); attended an Accountability Oversight Committee (AOC) where the redevelopment of the Downriggers' property was discussed and will put together a letter offering planning and financial support for shoreline development.

DISCUSSION & UPDATES WITH COUNTY MANAGER

Mr. Thomas: scheduled the October 17th joint meeting between the County Council and the Town of Friday Council; will attend an upcoming Risk Pool Training in Kennewick.

09:56 AM DISCUSSION: County Fair Update – Maddie Ovenell, Fairgrounds & Events Manager

Ms. Ovenell presented the Update and answered Council's questions.

10:14 AM DISCUSSION: Council Direction on Critical Area Ordinance (1st touch) – Linda Kuller, Senior Planner

Ms. Kuller presented the suggested revisions to the Ordinance, answered Council's questions, and responded to Council's directions. The Council agreed by consensus to the following:

1. Consideration for Planning Commission to weave in amended language instead of a deletion on the definition of “development”;
2. Move forward with the new utility exemption language that included “mitigation and standards” and the phrase “where no practical alternative exists”;
3. Accepting the proposal to eliminate Section E: Optional Public Agency and Utility Exceptions;
4. Moving on recommendations to Wetland Habitat Table 3.7 and 3.7A to the Planning Commission;
5. Moving Shoreline Modifications R4 on page 12 on to the Planning Commission.

11:45 AM INTRODUCTION: Barbara Bentley

Mr. Stephens introduced Barbara Bentley, new Chair of the Marine Resources Committee (MRC) to the Council.

11:48 AM DISCUSSION: Shoreline Master Program (SMP) Overview (continued) – Colin Maycock, Senior Planner

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

12:20 PM CLOSED SESSION to discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) and an **EXECUTIVE SESSION** to discuss Evaluation of the Performance of a Public Employee pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(g) – Pamela Morais, Human Resources Manager

At 12:20 PM, Council Chair Stephens announced that the Council would be holding an **executive session** followed by a **closed session** estimated to last 45 minutes combined.

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

The session ended at 1:10 for a total closed session and executive session time of 50 minutes.

No Action was taken.

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

01:10 PM ADJOURN

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

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These Minutes were approved and signed on October 8, 2013. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.