

**SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON  
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES  
COUNTY COUNCIL  
June 4, 2012**

Monday, June 4, 2012 – Legislative Hearing Room, 55 Second St, Friday Harbor

**9:01 AM**                    **DISCUSSION:** Wetlands Section of the Critical Area Ordinance (CAO) Continue Council review of Wetlands Section as presented in Planning Commission Draft, review responses to questions to date, identify remaining science related questions (continued 1<sup>st</sup> Touch)– Shireene Hale, Planning Coordinator; Jon Cain, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Ms. Miller opened the Special Meeting at 9:00 am. Council Members present: Howard (Howie) Rosenfeld, Richard Fralick, Jamie Stephens, Rich Peterson, Lovel Pratt; County Administrator Pro Tem Bob Jean, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public were present.

**Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to excuse County Administrator Pete Rose from today’s session who is on vacation. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

Ms. Miller welcomed Bob Jean, County Administrator Pro Tempore.

Ms. Hale provided the Council with the remaining steps to complete amendments to the wetland regulations. Council agreed to review the ordinance rather than the Planning Commission’s findings.

**Moved by Pratt, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to include a map in the wetlands section of the critical areas update. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

Council asked staff for clarification on D. Critical Areas Maps, page 11 of 42 to determine the intent of the language.

**Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to remove the last sentence in VII, page 3 of 42 and replace it with “It remains the responsibility of the property owner to assure compliance of these standards.” ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Ms. Pratt, to replace Section K (Planning Commission findings) in its entirety in the draft Ordinance with the Council findings. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Ms. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to adopt the definition recommended by Dr. Adamus regarding the mature forested wetland on page 15 of 42. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to remove the phrase “and must be working within his or her areas of expertise” under the definition of “Qualified professional” on page 15 of 42. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Peterson, on page 22 of 42, 2.a. High Habitat Importance/Sensitivity, to remove the words “best of the best.” ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Ms. Pratt, on page 26 of 42, to modify the language in Question 4., Tables 3.3., 3.4. and 3.5, by adding the words “Peak Storm Water Discharge” rather than Rational Method Runoff Coefficient. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

Ms. Pratt stated that she would abstain in the following motion as she needs more information about how impervious areas (other than structures) within a buffer affect wetlands.

**Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to replace the language in letter “d” on page 30 of 42 with the language in staff memo, dated 5/13/2012 on page 4, letter “L” to read “Where a structure or impervious area, legally established on a site prior to the effective date of these regulations, encroaches into an established critical area buffer, the buffer shall be modified to exclude the footprint of the structure or impervious areas.” VOTE: 5-0 (Pratt abstained), MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Ms. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, in the application of critical area protection requirements (e.g. buffers and associated requirements), to areas that are voluntarily enhanced or expanded, apply requirements that existed prior to voluntary enhancement. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**12:00 PM RECESS FOR LUNCH**

**1:51 PM DISCUSSION: 2012 Historic Preservation Grant Awards – Council**

**Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve the 2012 Historic Preservation Grants as follows: \$1,400 to the Orcas Island Historical Museum, \$1,400 to the Lopez Island Historical Society, and \$1,400 to the San Juan Island Historical Museum; \$1,326 to the San Juan County Parks and Fair. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**1:43 PM DISCUSSION: Advisory Committee Updates – Maureen See, Deputy Clerk**

After discussion, the following action took place:

**Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Ms. Pratt, to reappoint Steve Hopkins to the Board of Equalization. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Ms. Miller, to reappoint Clemons Turner to the Board of Equalization. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Ms. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to reappoint Rick Hughes to the Eastsound Plan Review Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to reappoint Ted Grossman to the Eastsound Plan Review Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Ms. Miller, to reappoint Clyde Duke to the Eastsound Plan Review Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

**Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to appoint Steven Jehly to the Veterans' Advisory Board. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

Mr. Stephens asked about an agricultural Advisory Committee (RCW 84.34.145) to assist the Assessor. Mr. Stephens will look into the requirements to form this committee

**1:54 PM                    Wetlands Discussion continued:**

**2:03 PM                    ADJOURN**

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**These Minutes were approved and signed on June 12, 2012. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.**