

SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
COUNTY COUNCIL
June 14, 2011

Tuesday, June 14, 2011 - Council Hearing Room, Legislative Building, Friday Harbor

8:59 AM SPECIAL MEETING – Continuation of June 13, 2011 Special Meeting

Council Chair Lovel Pratt opened the session which is a continuation of the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) Workshop of June 13, 2011.

CITIZENS ACCESS: Keith Jones

Review of Wetlands Section continued.

Upland Fish and Wildlife Section

Public comments were offered by: Tim Blanchard, Stephanie Buffum, Jack Cory. Dr. Adamus presented the Section and answered the Council's questions. Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jon Cain answered questions from the Council.

After discussion, Ms. Pratt summarized the Council's policy direction.

10:43 AM BREAK

11:15 AM REGULAR MEETING

Council Chair Lovel Pratt called the meeting to order at 11:15 a.m. Council Members present: Howard (Howie) Rosenfeld, Rich Peterson, Patty Miller, Richard Fralick, and Jamie Stephens; County Administrator Pete Rose, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public were present.

Ms. Pratt reminded the public that video recordings of Council meetings held in the Council Legislative Hearing Room are available for on-line viewing via live-streaming on the day of the meeting and can be viewed the following day on the Council website. The current video and three months of prior videos can be accessed by going to the San Juan County website www.sanjuanco.com and selecting the County Council tab.

New Employee Introduction: Clerk Joan White introduced two new Deputy Clerks: Tamara Weaver and Paula Nixon

Citizens Access: none offered

Approval of Correspondence:

Ms. Pratt read a Proclamation Welcoming the 2011 Inter-Tribal Canoe Journey July 22-24, 2011.

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve a Proclamation Welcoming the 2011 Inter-Tribal Canoe Journey, July 22-24, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Stephanie Buffum introduced members of the Inter-Tribal Canoe Journey. The final destination will be in La Conner.

Liz Illg provided public comment.

Approval of Prior Minutes:

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to approve the Minutes of January 24, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

11:30 AM DISCUSSION: Watmough Head Road – Russ Harvey, Public Works Director

Mr. Harvey provided background information regarding the proposed chip seal project on Watmough Head Road. He answered questions from the Council.

Public Comments were offered by: Linda Barton, Rebecca Johnson, Imogene Gieling, Angie Ponder, Jim Addington, Bob Myhr

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to give the citizens group 30 days to make a 10 year commitment in the amount of \$7,000 per year for the maintenance costs of Watmough Head Road or proceed with the project. VOTE: 2-4 (Fralick, Miller, Peterson, Rosenfeld opposed), MOTION NOT CARRIED

Land Bank Director Lincoln Bormann answered questions from the Council.

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to delay the decision of chip sealing Watmough Head Road one month to give concerned citizens an opportunity to develop a funding strategy for the \$7,000 annual maintenance cost and for those who support chip seal to make their preferences known to the Council. VOTE: 4-2 (Fralick and Miller opposed), MOTION CARRIED

12:30 PM LUNCH RECESS

1:33 AM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS:

1. 2012 Lodging Tax Facilities Grants Program Recommendations (1st Touch) – Rich Peterson, Chair

Mr. Peterson introduced Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC) Members Merritt Olsen and Kevin Loftus. Mr. Peterson gave some background information regarding the lodging tax funds recommended by the committee.

This matter will be scheduled on a future agenda as a 2nd Touch and will include public comment.

2. Budget Amendment Transfer from Equipment Reserve to ER&R Capital Budget (2nd Touch) – Russ Harvey, Public Works Director; Mike Copas, ER&R Manager

Mr. Rose introduced the budget amendment. Mr. Harvey explained the proposed budget amendment to allocate \$240,000 from unallocated equipment reserves to acquire two backhoes for the Solid Waste Program. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to authorize the acquisition of two backhoes for Solid Waste service, to reduce one reserve Solid Waste backhoe; and to direct staff to prepare an emergency appropriation to allocate \$240,000 for this purpose from unallocated ER&R reserves. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

2:00 PM **DISCUSSION:** Solid Waste Resolution Calling for Election (1st Touch) – Randall Gaylord, Prosecuting Attorney

Mr. Gaylord handed out a draft Ordinance regarding Solid Waste Service Charge for Solid Waste Management Services.

Discussion focused on the options factored into an annual parcel fee rate. By consensus the Council chose #9 as their preferred option.

3:00 PM **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

1. 2011 Public Facilities Financing Assistance Grant Program Recommendations – Pete Rose, County Administrator
Present: Full Council, County Administrator Pete Rose, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public

Mr. Rose reviewed the recommendations of the Public Facilities Financing Assistance Program Review Committee for awarding the 2011 grants. Ms. Pratt opened for public testimony, and comments were offered by Victoria Compton, Jim Hooper, Charles Anderson, Milene Henley. Public testimony was closed with the right to re-open. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve the award of Public Facilities Financing Assistance as follows: \$120,800 to San Juan County Parks Department for development of a new group campground area in Odlin County Park on Lopez Island; \$18,000 to the San Juan Public County Works Department towards the Prune Alley storm drain and flow splitter project; \$28,000 to the San Juan County Economic Development Council to develop a Broadband Initiative feasibility and scoping study, provided the work be conducted by in-house staff; \$14,500 to the San Juan County Fair for roof replacement and repair of the camping area bathroom and the covered picnic shelter at the fairgrounds. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

2. To Consider an Ordinance Setting Fees for Solid Waste Handling Services provided by San Juan County and Repealing Ordinance 35-2010

Present: Full Council, County Administrator Pete Rose, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public

Ms. Pratt reported that an additional version of Attachment A (Option B) was provided for Council review. Ms. Pratt opened for public testimony, comments were offered by Frank Stratton. Public Testimony was closed with the right to re-open. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to Approve an Ordinance Setting Fees for Solid Waste Handling Services Provided by San Juan County and Repealing Ordinance 35-2010, that includes Attachment A (Option B) and amends commingled recyclables to \$5 for up to one (1) cubic yard, \$10 for one (1) cubic yard to up to two (2) cubic yards, and \$25 for everything above two (2) cubic yards. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

3. To Consider an Ordinance Amending Ordinances 29-2010, 12-2011, 13-2011 and 14-2011 by revising the San Juan County 2011

Budget for

Emergency Appropriations – Land Bank Director Lincoln Bormann

Present: Full Council, County Administrator Pete Rose, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public

Mr. Bormann summarized the reasons to amend the Land Bank 2011 Expenditure and Acquisition Plan. Ms. Pratt opened for public testimony, no comments were offered. Public testimony was closed with the right to reopen. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to adopt an Ordinance amending Ordinances 29-2010, 12-2011, 13-2011, and 14-2011 by revising the San Juan County Budget for Emergency Appropriations. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Correspondence continued:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve a letter to the Media, County Staff, and People of San Juan County. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Minutes continued:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to approve the Minutes of February 8, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to approve the Minutes of February 9, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

4:22 PM

CLERK UPDATE & ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Ms. Gabriel reminded Council that there will be a joint meeting with the Town of Friday on Thursday, June 16. There will be no meetings for the weeks of June 21 and 28, and July 5. The next public hearing is calendared for July 12.

Review and Approve Minutes of June 6, 2011 and June 7, 2011:

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve the Minutes of June 6, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

**Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve the Minutes of June 7, 2011 as modified on line 211.
ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

Review Agendas:

Review and Approve Consent Agenda:

A. Resolutions:

A Resolution to Accept a Trail Easement for the Middleton Property on San Juan Island

A Resolution Modifying Resolution No. 13-2001 to Change the Number of Charter Review Commissioners

Ordinances:

B. Contracts/Agreements:

C. Budget Items:

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants:

- Warrants #96014-96105 in the amount of \$94,192.62 for County Claims
- Warrants #96106-96155 in the amount of \$67,611.03 for Public Works Claims
- Warrant #96156 in the amount of \$7,000 for Ross Housing Loan
- Warrant #06082011 in the amount of \$4,451.22 for Parks EFT

D. Personnel:

E. Appointments

F. Correspondence:

G. Miscellaneous:

H. Bid Openings:

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve the Consent Agenda of June 14, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Council Calendar Items:

4:30 PM COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES & DISCUSSION ITEMS;

Review and Approve Critical Areas Ordinance Policy Action:

Mr. Cain discussed land division exemptions and requirements.

After clarifying the discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to forward the Council's policy direction on the first three sections of the Critical Areas Ordinance update including the General

**Section, the Frequently Flooded Section, and the Geohazard Section. ALL AYES,
MOTION CARRIED**

5:10 PM ADJOURN AND SIGN DOCUMENTATON

**COUNTY COUNCIL
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These Minutes were approved and signed on July 12, 2011. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.