

SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL
October 11, 2011

Tuesday, October 11, 2011 - Council Hearing Room, Legislative Building, Friday Harbor

SPECIAL MEETING – EARLY START

8:55 AM CLOSED SESSION & EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At 8:55, Chair Pratt announced that the Council would be holding a **closed session** to discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b) followed by an **executive session** to discuss real property acquisition, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(c) estimated to last approximately 65 minutes in total. She then excused herself for a conference call. Present at the onset: Councilmembers, Howie Rosenfeld, Rich Peterson and Jamie Stephens; County Administrator Pete Rose, Human Resources Manager Pamela Morais, Deputy County Administrator David Kelley and Council Clerk Ingrid Gabriel. Ms. Pratt returned to the meeting at 9:08; Councilmembers Richard Fralick and Patty Miller arrived at 9:12.

The **closed session** lasted a total of 56 minutes; the **executive session** lasted a total of 9 minutes.

At 10:00 AM, Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the legislative room and announced that the Closed Session and Executive Session were finished.

No Action was taken.

10:05 AM CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Lovel Pratt called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m. Council Members present: Howard (Howie) Rosenfeld, Rich Peterson, Richard Fralick, Patty Miller 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.

Approval of Minutes (September 27, 2011):

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to approve the Minutes of September 27, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Consent Agenda for October 11, 2011:

A. Resolutions:

- A Resolution Granting the Doran Open Space Classification, File No. 07OS002, San Juan Island
- A Resolution Granting Doran Current Use Timber Classification Application No. 07TOS003, San Juan Island
- A Resolution Granting the Clark Family Trust Open Space Classification, File No. POPNSP-11-0001, Shaw Island
- A Resolution Granting Steven C. Young Open Space Classification, File No. POPNSP-11-0003, Lopez Island

A Resolution Granting Ralph Ericksen Farms, Inc., Open Space Classification, File No. POPNSP-11-0004, Stuart Island

Ordinances:

B. Contracts/Agreements :

C. Budget Items:

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

- Warrant #100777 in the amount of \$250 for Veteran's Assistance
- Warrants #100778-100868 in the amount of \$92,052.54 for County Claims
- Warrants #100869-100907 in the amount of \$168,344.33 for Public Works Claims
- EFT #09212011 in the amount of \$7,388.71 for Public Works EFT
- Warrants #101062-101089 in the amount of \$26,316.20 for Public Works
- Warrants #100961-101061 in the amount of \$107,243.67 for County Claims
- Approval of Payroll expenditures for pay period ending 9/23/2011
- Interfund transfers for the month of September, 2011

D. Personnel:

E. Appointments

F. Correspondence:

Letter of thanks to Shaw Inc.

G. Miscellaneous:

H. Bid Openings:

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Ms. Miller, to approve the Consent Agenda of October 11, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF CORRESPONDENCE:

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, approve a letter of congratulations to John Campbell as the recipient of the Washington State Housing Finance Commission's 2011 Friend of Housing Award. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Citizens Access: The following citizens offered comments: Sam Buck, Sr. (Council agreed to have the Government Subcommittee meet with Mr. Buck to discuss San Juan County's citizens); Stephanie Buffum

10:17 AM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS:

1. Discuss Agreement with Port of Lopez for lease and operation of Lopez Transfer Station – Pete Rose, County Administrator

Mr. Rose updated the Council on the agreement (in principle) with the Port of Lopez regarding the lease and operation of the Lopez Transfer Station. Mr. Rose recommended an Executive Session to discuss the financial situation. Mr. Stephens stated that he has recused himself as a Lopez Port Commissioner on all matters relating to solid waste.

10:21 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION: To discuss Real Property Acquisition or Lease pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(c) - Council, County Administrator Pete Rose, Utilities Manager Ed Hale, and Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel

At 10:21 AM, Chair Pratt announced that the Council would be holding an **executive session** to discuss real property acquisition, pursuant to RCW 42.30.110 (1)(c) estimated to last

approximately 30 minutes. At 10:46 AM, Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the large conference room and announced that the executive session was finished. The session lasted for 25 minutes.

No action was taken.

10:49 AM Reconvened Regular Meeting

10:45 AM DISCUSSION: Resolution on Solid Waste Facts and Information –
Council

Solid Waste Subcommittee Chair Miller led the discussion on the draft Resolution. Prosecuting Attorney Randall Gaylord provided changes to the draft Resolution which were discussed by the Council.

12:03 PM RECESS FOR LUNCH

1:01 PM PRESENTATION: Enforcement of National Oceanic and Atmospheric
Association (NOAA) Orca Protection Regulations – Russ Mullins,
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) Police Sergeant

Chair Pratt excused Ms. Miller for a short time as she is completing a Council action item on the Solid Waste Resolution. Chair Pratt introduced Sergeant Mullins and thanked him for his visit.

Sergeant Mullins gave the Council an update on Orca Whale protection efforts. He gave a PowerPoint presentation on the WDFW Marine Division and reported on 212 citations given in San Juan County (fish, shellfish and wildlife as well as criminal code).

1:30 PM DISCUSSION: 2012 Council Priorities (public comment accepted) –
Lovel Pratt, Council Chair

Chair Pratt thanked Mr. Rose for providing additional information on the draft 2012 Priorities, as well as the detailed report on the 2011 Interdepartmental Critical Priorities.

Ms. Pratt asked if there was any public comment, and none was offered.

Ms. Miller rejoined the meeting at 1:33 pm.

Council continued the discussion of 2012 priorities.

2:20 PM Approval of Correspondence:

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to approve a letter to David Moseley regarding communications when ferries break down. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

By consensus it was agreed that the Ferry Advisory Committee, Town of Friday Harbor Council, Melissa Johnson (Washington State Ferries), and State representatives (Ranker, Lytton, Morris) be copied on the letter.

2:30 PM RECESS

3:02 PM CLERK UPDATE & ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Ms. Gabriel reminded the council that the next meeting would be October 18, 2011 (early start), and the next public hearing will be on October 18.

Ms. See gave a committee report. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to appoint Jim Sesby to the Agricultural Resource Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to reappoint Ilene Unruh to the Lopez Island Library Board of Trustees. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to reassign Joan Pedrick to Position #5 from Position #4 on the Orcas Island Library Board of Trustees. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to appoint Margaret Payne to Position #4 of the Orcas Island Library Board of Trustees. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

3:15 PM COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Legislative Priorities: Ms. Pratt reported that the Legislature will go into a 30 day special session on November 28th to adopt a supplemental budget and the bills necessary to implement the budget. Ms. Pratt also reported that the Washington State Association of Counties Legislative Steering Committee (WSAC LSC) is meeting to provide input to the Governor prior to her submittal of her proposal to the Legislature expected in late October.

Ms. Pratt summarized the proposed draft of 2012 Federal and State Legislative Priorities. By consensus the Council agreed to add a state legislative priority in support of Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife's proposed legislation to align state orca protection law with federal law.

3:17 PM ACTION: Adopt Resolution on Solid Waste Facts and Information – Council

Mr. Randall Gaylord, Prosecuting Attorney, joined the discussion. Ms. Miller reviewed the changes made to the draft Resolution by the Council. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to approve a Resolution Summarizing the Anticipated Changes to the Solid Waste System in San Juan County Following the Vote on the Parcel Based User Charge. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES (continued):

Ferries/FAC/Intermodal: Mr. Rosenfeld reported that the Updated Hovee Report will be postponed pending the outcome of budget considerations.

The Chetzemoka ferry will be used as in interim ferry during the current repair time.

Review Agendas:

Mr. Peterson asked to resign his position as Chair of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee (LTAC). **Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to appoint Jamie Stephens to the LTAC as Chair. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED**

5:33 PM

ADJOURN AND SIGN DOCUMENTATON

**COUNTY COUNCIL
SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

These Minutes were approved and signed on October 18, 2011. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.