

SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES – SPECIAL MEETING
COUNTY COUNCIL
November 29, 2011

Tuesday, November 29, 2011 - Council Hearing Room, Legislative Building, Friday Harbor

SPECIAL MEETING – EARLY START

8:45 AM **CLOSED SESSION:** To discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30-140(4)(b)

9:30 AM **ACTION:** Equipment Rental and Repair (ER&R) Rates – Rachel Dietzman, County Engineer

Chair Pratt informed those present that the Ordinance Adopting Rules of Procedure for Public Hearings can be found on the table near the entrance.

10:00 AM **CALL TO ORDER REGULAR MEETING**

Council Chair Lovel Pratt called the meeting to order at 10:0 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.

Chair Pratt announced that portions of today’s meeting will be available through videoconferencing from the Orcas Island Library, Lopez Island Library and the Council Chambers.

Welcome to everyone who is live-streaming today’s council meeting. Live-streaming and three months of prior council meeting videos can be accessed by going to the San Juan County website www.sanjuanco.com and selecting the County Council tab.

Approval of Minutes (November 7 & 8, 2011):

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the Minutes of November 7, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the Minutes of November 8, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Consent Agenda for November 29, 2011:

A. Resolutions:

A Resolution certifying a true and accurate copy of the San Juan County Comprehensive Land Use and Shoreline Master Program Maps

A Resolution granting Langdon Quetin and Robin Ross Quetin Open Space Classification File No. POPNSP-11-0005, Lopez Island

Ordinances:

B. Contracts/Agreements:

C. Budget Items:

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

- Interfund Transfers for the month of October, 2011
- Warrants #102720-102768 in the amount of \$171,178.47 for Public Works
- Warrants #102867-102982 in the amount of \$107,437.91 for County Claims
- Warrants #102984-102996 in the amount of \$5,045.75 for Medical Reimbursement
- Warrants #103088-103138 in the amount of \$257,118.52 for Public Works
- EFT #11162011 in the amount of \$582.56 for Parks EFT
- Warrants #102997-103087 in the amount of \$102,377.56 for County Claims

D. Personnel:

E. Appointments

F. Correspondence:

G. Miscellaneous:

H. Bid Openings:

Moved by _____, seconded by _____, to approve the Consent Agenda of November 29, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Correspondence: A letter of thanks to Ed Sutton

Citizens Access: The following citizens offered comments: from Orcas Island – _____; from Lopez Island – _____; from San Juan island – _____

10:15 AM PUBLIC HEARING – Annual General Fund Revenues Hearing - Pete Rose, County Administrator, Deputy Director David Kelly
Present: Full Council, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public

Chair Pratt informed those present that the Ordinance Adopting Rules of Procedures for Public Hearings could be found on the table near the entrance.

Mr. Rose clarified the reason for the public hearing was for a discussion of the adoption ordinances for the following: 1) general tax levy, 2) the road tax levy, 3) the conservation futures levy. The hearing was also for discussion on increasing the amount of each levy by the allowed 1%. Mr. Kelly explained the revenue funds. Mr. Rose and Mr. Kelly answered questions from the Council.

Ms. Pratt opened for public testimony, and no comments were offered. Public testimony was closed with the right to reopen. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to hold a Hearing at 10:15 am on November 29, 2011 on an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington, setting the General Property Tax Levy for 2012. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to hold a Hearing at 10:15 am on November 29, 2011 on an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington, setting the Property Tax Levy for County Roads for 2012. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to hold a Hearing at 10:15 am on November 29, 2011 for an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington, setting the Property Tax Levy for Conservation Futures for 2012. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Videoconferencing concluded.

10:57 AM Break

11:04 AM DISCUSSION: Agricultural Resources Committee (ARC)
Recommendation on Voluntary Stewardship Program – ARC Chair
Sara Jones, Planner III Janice Biletnikoff, Prosecuting Attorney Randall
Gaylord

Agricultural Resources Committee Vice Chair Roger Ellison gave a PowerPoint presentation on ARC's recommendation for opting into the Voluntary Stewardship Program. Mr. Ellison answered questions from the Council. Bruce Gregory of the Conservation District answered questions from the Council. ARC Chair Sara Jones and Ms. Biletnikoff also answered questions from the Council.

Mr. Gaylord joined the discussion. The Council requested written opinions from Mr. Gaylord on a number of outstanding questions.

12:21 PM RECESS FOR LUNCH

1:00 PM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS:

1. 2012 Annual Road Plan (2nd Touch) – County Engineer Rachel Dietzman

Mr. Rose introduced Public Works Director Frank Mulcahy and Ms. Dietzman. Ms. Dietzman provided an update to the Council regarding the Equipment Rental and Revolving Fund's preliminary five year equipment upgrade needs. Mr. Mulcahy and Ms. Dietzman answered questions from the Council.

2. Continued Stormwater Funding Update – Utility Manager Ed Hale

Mr. Rose offered background information on the stormwater six-year capital improvement plan. Mr. Hale provided additional information to the Council regarding the acceptance or modification of the capital improvement plan and associated capital fees.

1:55 PM 3. Fair Master Plan Update – Parks and Fair Director Dona Wuthnow,
Fair & Events Manager Rev Shannon

Ms. Wuthnow and Mr. Shannon gave an update to the Council on the progress of the Fairgrounds Master Plan.

**2:13 PM COUNCIL DISCUSSION ON 2012 STATE LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES
WITH REPRESENTATIVE KRISTINE LYTTON**

2:53 PM **DISCUSSION:** Building Advisory Council Amended Ordinance (2nd Touch) – Community Development & Planning Director Rene Beliveau

Continued discussion on changes to the Building Advisory Council Ordinance.

3:00 PM **Continued from 8:45 am Public Hearing:** Deliberations to Consider Adopting an Ordinance Regarding Critical Area Regulations for Geologically Hazardous Areas and Frequently Flooded Areas; Amending San Juan County code Sections 18.10.10.040, 18.30.120 and 18.30.130 – Shireene Hale, Planning Coordinator; Janice Biletnikoff, Planner II; Jon Cain, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Ms. Biletnikoff, Ms. Hale and Mr. Cain reviewed the changes made at this morning's hearing to the Draft Ordinance.

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to continue this Public Hearing and set this Ordinance over for a final vote on Tuesday, March 27, 2012, 10:15 am, with the other proposed Critical Area amendments with the understanding that modifications may be needed to make all Critical Area amendments consistent. VOTE: 5-1 (Peterson Opposed) MOTION CARRIED

3:36 PM COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Legislative Priorities: Ms. Pratt reported on Governor Gregoire's Budget Reduction Alternatives. By consensus the council directed the County Administrator to prepare a report on potential impacts to SJC to be discussed at the November 7th Council meeting.

Ferries/FAC/Intermodal: Mr. Rosenfeld reported there was a meeting in Anacortes for discussion on the winter schedule with Melissa Johnson and Dave Remagen. The next FAC meeting will be on Orcas, November 9, 9:00-11:00 am. The Ferry Community Partnership will meet on Saturday, November 5, 9:00 – 11:00 am, at the Public Library in Anacortes. It is expected that Representatives Lytton, Morris and Seaquist will be in attendance. The Connecting Washington Task Force will meet on November 15. The Washington State Ferries have scheduled their next meeting in Friday Harbor, in the Council Chambers on December 1.

Budget Subcommittee: Mr. Fralick had nothing to report at this time.

General Government Subcommittee: Mr. Peterson had nothing to report at this time.

Solid Waste Subcommittee: Ms. Miller asked the Council to be ready after the November 8 election to meet and begin discussion on what future directions will be taken regarding solid waste.

Additional Updates & Discussion Items:

Mr. Stephens reported that he attended the National Conference of Community Land Trusts on October 27 in Seattle.

4:00 PM CLERK UPDATE & ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Ms. Gabriel reminded the Council that the next meeting would be a Special Meeting-Early Start on November 7 followed by a Special Meeting-Early Start on November 8.

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

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to appoint Peg LeBlanc to the Human Services Advisory Board. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to reappoint Susan Dehlendorf to the Planning Commission. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Ms. Miller, to appoint Larry Vandermay to the Ferry Advisory Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Review Agendas:

Mr. Rosenfeld suggested better time management for our meeting with Representative Jeff Morris.

Review Council Calendar Items: none

3:56 PM CLOSED SESSION: To discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b).

At 3:56 PM, Ms. Pratt announced that the Council would be conducting a **closed session** to last until 4:45 PM. Present: Full Council, County Administrator Pete Rose, Assistant County Administrator David Kelly, Human Resources Manager Pamela Morais and Council Clerk Ingrid Gabriel.

At 4:45 PM, it was announced that the session would take an additional 10 minutes; at 4:55 PM, it was announced that the session would take an additional 10 minutes; at 5:05 PM, it was announced that the session would take an additional 5 minutes. The session ended at 5:15 PM for a total closed session time of 79 minutes.

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

No action taken. Ms. Pratt called the regular meeting back to order and adjourned the meeting.

5:15 PM ADJOURN

These Minutes were approved and signed on November 8, 2011. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.