

**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL**

August 10, 2010

Tuesday, August 10, 2010 - Council Hearing Room, Legislative Building, Friday Harbor

10:00 AM CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Richard Fralick called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. Council members present: Vice-Chair Lovel Pratt, Howard (Howie) Rosenfeld, Gene Knapp, Bob Myhr, Rich Peterson; County Administrator Pete Rose, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public were present.

Mr. Fralick reminded the public that video recordings of Council meetings held in the Council Legislative Hearing Room are available for on-line viewing the day after the meeting. The videos will be archived for the three previous months and can be accessed by going to the San Juan County website www.sanjuano.com and selecting the County Council tab.

Downloads from which to burn DVDs of meetings as well as attached documents are now available by ordering directly from the website. A sheet with directions is available on the back table.

Because of the demands on our staff's time, we ask that you please take advantage of the online service if at all possible. For those who are unable to download and burn due to technological limitations, our staff has a limited capacity to produce copies of the video on USB memory sticks. The cost is \$20 each.

Citizens Access: The following citizens submitted comments: Bill Wright

10:07 AM CLERK UPDATE & ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Ms. Gabriel reminded the Council that the Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) will hold their winter conference on November 9-11. The Council agreed to change the Council Calendar to reflect the conference time and to indicate a Council Meeting will be held on November 16.

Ms. Gabriel also asked the Council to meet with Stan Matthews for a photo on the courthouse steps during lunch recess.

There will not be a Council meeting on August 17; the next scheduled Council meeting is August 24.

Ms. See updated the Council on committees. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Ms. Pratt, seconded by Mr. Knapp, to reappoint Lola Deane to the Board of Health. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Myhr, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to reappoint Barbara Fleming to the Board of Health. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Myhr, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to appoint Jeffrey Struthers to the County Parks and Recreation Board. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Myhr, seconded by Mr. Knapp, to appoint Shannon Hoffman to the Storm Water Advisory Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Review and Approve Minutes of July 27, 2010:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Myhr, to approve the Minutes of July 27, 2010. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Review Agendas: Mr. Fralick asked to place the CAO Steering Committee or either the August 24 or 31 Agenda.

Mr. Peterson expressed his concern that for the meeting of the August 24 some additional information was needed. He asked for four items: 1. A copy of the Historic Preservation and Easement deed, whenever it is available; 2. A request to the Friday Harbor Town Council for a recommendation as to how to proceed; 3. Information regarding Town historic regulations and an analysis, if possible, of what the new Historic Easement deed would accomplish beyond the requirements of the Town; 4. A tour of the Boede Building.

Review and Approve Consent Agenda of August 10, 2010 as follows:

A. Resolutions:

Ordinances:

B. Contracts/Agreements:

C. Budget Items:

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

- Warrant #82487 in the amount of \$250 for Veteran's Assistance
- Warrant #82488 in the amount of \$33,243.78 for Public Works Claims
- Warrant #82571 in the amount of \$1,747.30 for Elections claim
- Warrants #82608-82703 in the amount of \$86,878.40 for County Claims
- Warrants #82704-82737 in the amount of \$12,107.36 for Public Works Claims
- Warrants #82807-82812 in the amount of \$4,447.73 for Veteran's Assistance
- Warrants #82815-82892 in the amount of \$65,634.90 for County Claims
- Warrants #82893-82931 in the amount of \$236,948 for Public Works Claims
- Warrants #8239-82934 in the amount of \$1,320 for Veteran's Assistance
- Interfund transfers for the month of July (no amount specified)

D. Personnel:

E. Appointments

F. Correspondence:

G. Miscellaneous:

H. Bid Openings:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Myhr, to approve the Consent Agenda of August 10, 2010. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Review Council Calendar Items:

Mr. Myhr will provide the Clerk with his upcoming schedule.

10:31 AM COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES & DISCUSSION ITEMS:

Ferries/FAC/Intermodal: Mr. Rosenfeld gave the following updates: The Executive Committee meeting time has changed from August 19 to August 26; David Moseley replied to Council's letter asking for a delay in the Chelan's departure from the International run in September with the response that they can offer a one week delay; Ferry Advisory Committee will meet on August 11 and will be working on the fall schedule; the inauguration of a new vessel has been delayed.

Budget Subcommittee: Mr. Fralick met with the Budget Subcommittee this morning to discuss the budget crisis.

General Government Subcommittee: Mr. Knapp reported that the Subcommittee met this morning and any further changes in the Ferry Advisory Committee policies will require the Prosecuting Attorney. Mr. Peterson explained that one of the dilemmas facing the Subcommittee is the RCW that stating "not more than 3 members can be a member of the same political party." Discussion continued on this issue.

Mr. Fralick reported that he and Mr. Knapp held a Town Meeting on Orcas last week, attended by 40 citizens. Topics included Council priorities.

10:45 AM PUBLIC HEARING: Six Year Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)

1. Timber Current Use Transfer from DFL to TOS, #261142001 and #261142003, Orcas (Kanis Wallenberg) – Lee McEnery, Associate Planner
Present: Full Council; County Administrator Pete Rose; Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel; Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public

Lee McEnery explained the application made by the Wallenbergs, and the activities of the Planning Commission. Jeff Otis, Agent for the Wallenbergs, was also present.

Mr. Fralick opened for public testimony, Jeff Otis gave comment, then public testimony was closed reserving the right to reopen. After deliberations, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Myhr, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve the Wallenberg Timber Open Space Application, Orcas Island, No. PTOSOP-10-0001, and to include the recommendations of the Planning Commission. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

2. An Ordinance Adopting the San Juan County Travel & Meal Policy – Milene Henley, Auditor
Present: Full Council; County Administrator Pete Rose; Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel; Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public

Ms. Henley explained the changes made to the policy, as well as the policy review process.

Mr. Fralick opened for public testimony, none was offered, closed public testimony reserving the right to reopen. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Myhr, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to adopt an Ordinance to repeal Chapter 2.32 of the San Juan County Code and adopt a revised Travel and Meal Policy. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

3. An Ordinance to Combine the Parks and Recreation Department and the Fair Department into one department and Repealing SJCC 2.36.010, 2.36.020, 2.36.040 and 2.36.050 (Parks Department)

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 introduced the ordinance, and the concept behind the amalgamation of the departments.

Mr. Fralick opened for public testimony, none was offered, public testimony was closed with the right to reopen. After deliberations, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Knapp, to adopt an Ordinance to Combine the Parks and Recreation Department and the Fair Department into One Department and Repealing SJCC 2.36.010, 2.36.020, 2.36.030, 2.36.040 and 2.36.050 (Parks Department) ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

4. To Receive Public Comment on a Resolution that proposes the placement of a Solid Waste Funding Advisory Ballot Question on the November Ballot

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 opened the discussion, and introduced Utilities Manager Ed Hale.

Mr. Fralick opened for public testimony, the following offered comment: Allen Rosenberg, Sharon Kivisto, Jack Cory, Gordon Petersen, Patty Miller, Milene Henley, Jack Cory (2nd time), and Sharon Kivisto (2nd time). Public testimony was closed and Mr. Fralick reserved the right to reopen.

After deliberations, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Knapp, that the Council not place an advisory question on the ballot. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

11:44 PM RECESS FOR LUNCH

1:01 PM DISCUSSION: 2010 Second Quarter Budget Report (PowerPoint) – Milene Henley, Auditor

Ms. Henley provided a PowerPoint presentation review of the second quarter budget report.

1:22 PM RECESS BREAK

2:00 PM COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ITEMS:

1. Fair Funding Discussion – Dona Wuthnow, Parks and Recreation Director;
Rev Shannon, Fair & Events Manager

Mr. Rose introduced Parks and Recreation Director Dona Wuthnow and Fair and Events Manager Rev Shannon. He also introduced Josephine Bangs, Chair of the Fair Board. Both Ms. Wuthnow and Mr. Shannon explained to the Council the impact of funding reductions to the Fair.

It was agreed that Ms. Wuthnow and Mr. Shannon would report to the Council in September or October with an update of the Fair's financial status.

2. Solid Waste – Transmittal of Question Responses and Draft Gate Fee Ordinance – Pete Rose, County Administrator

Discussion of the draft gate fee ordinance and accompanying staff report was conducted. Mr. Myhr stated his objection to charging for recycling and agreed with Mr. Rosenfeld that such charges would be a substantial policy change from our established policy of encouraging recycling. Mr. Myhr also stated that the staff should look at changing tipping fees for the contract haulers.

After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Knapp, to send the draft ordinance forward for public hearing on 8/24/2010, at 10:45 am, with Attachment A, Option (1) as modified to show litter clean-up, beach clean-up, noxious weeds without charge (free), and that the \$3.00 fee suggested by Solid Waste Staff to bring operations into balance with a sunset date of December 31, 2011, to be confirmed by Solid Waste Staff, and additionally Attachment A, Option (2) that there be an increased minimum garbage fee and free recycling, the rate to be determined by Solid Waste Staff to bring operations into balance with a sunset date of December 31, 2011, written confirmation with supporting materials to be provided. VOTE 4-2 (Myhr and Rosenfeld opposed) MOTION CARRIED

Discussion held to articulate agenda items for the August 30 workshop regarding Solid Waste. Some topics suggested were: focusing on long term issues, bringing the Town of Friday Harbor back into our system. The Solid Waste Advisory Committee (SWAC) will be asked to submit items for the agenda. There will be public comment at the workshop.

3:21 PM ADJOURN AND SIGN DOCUMENTATION

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These Minutes were approved and signed on August 24, 2010. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.