

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON**  
**COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**MONDAY, MAY 16, 2016**

Legislative Hearing Room, 55 Second Street, Friday Harbor, WA

**09:05 AM    CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**

Council Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 9:05 AM. Present: Council Members Jamie Stephens, Rick Hughes, Bob Jarman. County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel and interested members of the public.

**New Employee Introductions:** Public Works Director Brian Vincent introduced Shelli Edwards, Public Works Office Manager; Assessor John Kulseth introduced Jessi Guthrie, Appraiser Trainee and Nicole Hansen, Administrative Specialist II.

**Recognition:** The Council congratulated Auditor Milene Henley for being awarded Auditor of the Year by the Secretary of State.

**Citizens Access:** The following citizens submitted comments: none

Chair Stephens added an Executive Session to discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) to the agenda.

County Manager Mike Thomas requested the Council to set a public hearing for June 7, 2016. The Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Jarman to set a Public Hearing to take public testimony and adopt an Ordinance Adopting an Amendment to the San Juan County Solid Waste and Hazardous Waste Management Plan and Amending San Juan County Code 8.12.030 on Tuesday, June 7, 2016 at 9:15 AM. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**09:15 AM            DISCUSSION:** Lopez Village Plan Update – Linda Kuller, Planning Manager

Ms. Kuller presented the Update and answered Council's questions.

**09:45 AM            DISCUSSION:** San Juan County Outage Communications Plan – Brendan Cowan, Director Emergency Management

Mr. Cowan presented the Plan and answered Council's questions.

**09:55 AM    EXECUTIVE SESSION:** To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)

At 09:55 AM, Council Chair Stephens announced that the Council would be holding an executive session to discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) estimated to last 30 minutes.

**Present:** Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Amy Vira, Public Records Clerk Sally Rogers and Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.

The session ended at 10:25 for a total executive session time of 30 minutes.

**No Action was taken.**

Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive session had ended. Chair Stephens called the meeting back into regular session.

**10:30 AM DISCUSSION & UPDATES:** Council, County Manager & Departments

**Ms. Gabriel:** Updated the Council on the upcoming calendar.

**Mr. Thomas:** Meeting with Brook Brouwer, new Washington State University Extension Manager; participating in the final round of interviews for the County Engineer position.

**Mr. Jarman:** Participated in San Juan School District's Science/Technology/Engineering & Math (STEM) curriculum planning meetings; noted that it is National Emergency Services week.

**Mr. Hughes:** Invited Council to attend a meeting with Outdoor Recreation Economic Policy Advisor Director John Snyder on Tuesday, May 17 at the Orcas Hotel; will meet with the new director of the Washington State Department of Fish & Wildlife on June 14; reported on last week's Ferry Advisory Committee meeting;

**Mr. Stephens:** Reported on attendance at biannual retreat of the Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC) Legislative Steering Committee where he was made an alternate on the Shorelines Hearings Board; the Ruckelshaus Center Public Records Requests Reform project was not funded by the Legislature – Mr. Stephens will represent WSAC on the issue to a stakeholders group to shape policy going forward; informed Council that a drowning occurred last week on Hummel Lake, Lopez Island – Mr. Stephens complimented the Sheriff's department for their coordination of the search for the body; will attend an Ecosystem Coordinating Board (ECB) meeting in Olympia on Thursday, May 19; will meet with representatives of the Williams Pipeline Corporation and the Executive Director of the Northwest Straits Foundation on Wednesday.

**11:00 AM ADJOURN**

Mr. Stephens adjourned the meeting.

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**These Minutes were approved and signed on May 24, 2016. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.**