

San Juan County Official Local

# Voters' Pamphlet

November 7, 2017 General Election



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# Letter from the Auditor

There is a group of voters I call “Quadrennials.” Quadrennials vote only every four years. Unless President of the United States is on the ballot, Quadrennials don’t vote.

If you’re reading this, you’re not one of them. You are a voter who truly cares about your local community. In this election, twenty-four local jurisdictions – including school, fire, port, cemetery, park and rec, hospital, water, sewer, and solid waste districts, plus the Town of Friday Harbor – have measures or candidates on the ballot. Collectively, these districts truly touch every aspect of your local life.

Because this is a largely local election, you won’t find it on the six o’clock news, or covered in the King County newspapers. You will find it covered by local media, both print and online. There will be local forums, sponsored by the local League of Women Voters, where you can hear about the issues and get to know the candidates. This Voters’ Pamphlet will also help. In it, every candidate has had the opportunity to submit a picture and a statement, and every local measure has had the opportunity to submit supporting and opposing statements.

Local measures in this election include two Orcas School measures and the annual Lopez Solid Waste levy. All three will affect local tax obligations for property owners in the relevant districts.

This is your election. Think local. Act local. Vote local.

F. Milene Henley, Auditor

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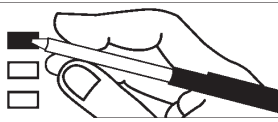
San Juan County voters with disabilities have the option of voting independently and privately using an accessible voting unit.

The accessible voting equipment will be available Monday through Friday, during regular business hours for the General Election, beginning Friday, October 20, through Election Day, November 7.



## Voting Instructions

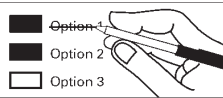
### How to vote



Use a dark blue or black ink pen to completely fill in the box to the left of your choice. Do not use pencil.

Voting more than once for a contest will be an overvote and no votes for that contest will be counted.

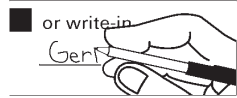
### If you make a mistake



Draw a line through the entire measure response or candidate's name.

Then you may make another choice.

### Optional write-in



To vote for a candidate not listed, print the name on the blank line provided and fill in the box.

If you do not wish to vote in a contest, leave all boxes empty.

- Tear off the stub at the top of the ballot and throw the stub away.
- Mark all contests you wish to vote. **You don't have to vote every issue.**
- Put your finished ballot into the security sleeve.
- Put your security sleeve and ballot into the return envelope.
- Read, sign, and date the Voter's Declaration on the envelope. **We cannot count your ballot unless you sign the declaration.**
- Seal the return envelope.
- Return your voted ballot:

**By mail** requires first-class postage

**OR**

**Put in a ballot drop box**, no postage is needed.

## Replacement Ballots

1. Contact SJC Elections as soon as possible:

**San Juan County Elections**

**Phone:** (360) 378-3357

**Email:** elections@sanjuanco.com

**OR**

2. Download a replacement ballot:
  - Go to *MyVote*: [www.myvote.wa.gov](http://www.myvote.wa.gov)
  - Sign in with your name and date of birth
  - Click on *MyBallot*
  - Follow the instructions for voting and returning your ballot

## Returning Your Ballot

### Ballot drop box - *postage free!*

Save a stamp and return your ballot to a drop box by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day.

#### **San Juan County Elections Office**

55 Second St., Ste. A, Friday Harbor  
M-F 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
Election Day 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.

#### **San Juan County Courthouse**

Second St. entrance, Friday Harbor

#### **Lopez Island Fire District Office**

Fisherman Bay Rd., Lopez Village

#### **Orcas Island Senior Center**

62 Henry Rd., Eastsound

### In person

The Elections office is open 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., M-F and 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, November 7:

#### **San Juan County Elections**

55 Second St., Ste. A, Friday Harbor  
(across from the Courthouse)

### By mail

Place a stamp on the return envelope and mail before the deadline. Your ballot must be postmarked on or before November 7 in order to count.

## Sample Ballot

This ballot checklist shows all San Juan County measures and candidates approved for inclusion on the ballot for the November 7, 2017 General Election. Not all races and measures listed here will be on your ballot.

### Town of Friday Harbor

#### Mayor

- Farhad Ghatan  
 Matt W. Shildneck

#### Town Council Member 3

- Anna Maria de Freitas

#### Town Council Member 4

- Tim Daniels

### San Juan Island

#### San Juan Is School Dist #149 – Director 1

- Sarah Werling-Sandwith  
 Ruth McKenna

#### San Juan Is School Dist #149 – Director 2

- Barbara Bevens  
 TJ Heller

#### SJC Fire Protection Dist #3 – Commissioner 3

- Albert Olson

#### Port of Friday Harbor – Commissioner 2

- Barbara E. Marrett  
 Keith Carver

#### San Juan Is Park & Rec Dist – Commissioner 2

- Shannon Miniken

#### San Juan Is Park & Rec Dist – Commissioner 3

- Scott Zehner

#### San Juan Is Park & Rec Dist – Commissioner 5

- Jacquelyn Reiff

#### SJC Cemetery Dist #1 – Commissioner 3

- Warren Jones

#### SJC Public Hospital Dist #1 – Commissioner 2

- Anna Lisa Lindstrum  
 John T. Manning

#### SJC Public Hospital Dist #1 – Commissioner 4

- Peg LeBlanc

#### Cape San Juan Water Dist – Commissioner 2

- Kenneth O'Brien

#### Cattle Point Water Dist – Commissioner 1

- Kurt McMillen

#### Cattle Point Water Dist – Commissioner 2

- Sandy Ryan

#### Cattle Point Water Dist – Commissioner 3

- Doug Musgrove

### Orcas Island

#### Orcas Is School Dist #137 – Director 1

- John Fleming

#### Orcas Is School Dist #137 – Director 2

- Diane Boerstler

#### Orcas Is School Dist #137 – Director 3

- Joshua M. Culp

#### Orcas Island School Dist #137

##### Proposition No. 1

##### Bonds to Construct, Renovate and Improve School Facilities – \$10,800,000

The Board of Directors of Orcas Island School District No. 137 approved a proposition for bonds. This proposition would authorize the District to renovate and modernize District facilities to address health and safety concerns, including High School HVAC and plumbing, gymnasium infrastructure, improve Elementary School interior, undertake roadway improvements, and add classroom space for music and other programs; to issue \$10,800,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 20 years, and to levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds, all as provided in Resolution No. 2017-06.

Should this proposition be:

- Approved?  
 Rejected?

**Orcas Island School Dist #137  
Proposition No. 2  
Capital Projects Levy**

The Board of Directors of Orcas Island School District No. 137 adopted Resolution No. 2017-07 concerning a capital projects levy. The proposition authorizes the modernization and remodeling of District facilities, including athletic fields and facilities; and authorizes the following excess levies on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2018	\$0.11	\$227,000
2019	\$0.11	\$227,000
2020	\$0.11	\$227,000
2021	\$0.10	\$227,000
2022	\$0.10	\$227,000
2023	\$0.10	\$227,000

all as provided in District Resolution No. 2017-07.

Should this proposition be approved?

- Yes
- No

**SJC Fire Protection Dist #2 – Commissioner 1**  
 Amanda Montague

**SJC Fire Protection Dist #2 – Commissioner 3**  
 Barbara Bedell  
 Ed Sutton

**SJC Fire Protection Dist #2 – Commissioner 4**  
 Jim Helminski

**Port of Orcas – Commissioner 1**  
 Shawn M. Simpson

**Port of Orcas – Commissioner 2**  
 Greg Ayers  
 Dwight Guss

**Port of Orcas – Commissioner 3**  
 Greg Sawyer

**Port of Orcas – Commissioner 4**  
 Steve Hopkins

**Orcas Is Park & Rec Dist – Commissioner 2**  
 Bob Eagan

**Orcas Is Park & Rec Dist – Commissioner 4**  
 Justin Paulsen

**Orcas Is Park & Rec Dist – Commissioner 5**  
 Deborah Jones

**Eastsound Sewer & Water Dist – Commissioner 2**  
 David B. Lowry

**Lopez Island**

**Lopez Is School Dist #144 – Director 1**  
 John Holding

**Lopez Is School Dist #144 – Director 2**  
 Don Burt Jr  
 Chris Greacen

**SJC Fire Protection Dist #4 – Commissioner 3**  
 Bruce Johnson

**Port of Lopez – Commissioner 3**  
 Paul S. Henriksen  
 Larry Bailey

**SJC Public Hospital Dist #2 – Commissioner 4**  
 James Orcutt

**Mackaye Harbor Water Dist – Commissioner 2**  
 San Olson

**Fisherman Bay Sewer Dist – Commissioner 2**  
 Tom McDaniel

**Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District  
Proposition No. 1**

**Concerning an excess levy for the District**

The Governing Body of the Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District adopted Resolution No. 01-2017 concerning an excess levy for the District. This proposition would authorize the District to generate \$105,000 by a levy of excess taxes upon all taxable property within the District in an amount estimated to be \$0.10131 per \$1,000 assessed valuation for one tax year – 2018 – for the purpose of funding operations and capital improvements of the District.

Shall the proposition be approved?

- Yes
- No

**Shaw Island**

**Shaw Is School Dist #10 – Director 2**  
 Cari Miller

**SJC Fire Protection Dist #5 – Commissioner 3**  
 Jack Rawls

**Stuart Island**

**SJC Cemetery Dist #2 – Commissioner 2**  
 Linda Bergquist



**Farhad  
Ghatan**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

Farhad was elected to the Town of Friday Harbor Council in 2013. He serves as Chair of the Friday Harbor Arts Commission and is a member of the Lodging Tax Advisory Committee. Served as Chair of the Friday Harbor Planning Commission 1999-2003. County Housing Advisory Board 1999-2003, President – San Juan Island Chamber of Commerce, 2001.

**Other Professional Experience**

Owned and operated a number of small businesses; currently at Friday Harbor Grand B&B.

**Education**

University of Washington, B.A., Association of Washington Cities Elected Official Training.

**Community Service**

Past Trustee, San Juan Community Theater. Current, San Juan Island Sculpture Park, San Juan Nature Institute, Soroptimists.

**Statement**

Farhad Ghatan has the experience we need to continue with the forward momentum and solid accomplishments made by our outgoing Mayor Carrie Lacher, the Town Council and dedicated Town Staff. As a 26 year resident of the Town, Farhad is known to be both fiscally conservative and socially responsible. His many involvements with local community organizations have earned him the support of business owners, wage earners and retirees alike.

Recognizing the pressures Town residents face from high utility rates, a lack of affordable housing, aging infrastructure and recent growth, Farhad is dedicated to the continued rebuilding of our streets and sidewalks, creating opportunities for new and affordable housing and managing growth...all with the goal of creating a healthy year round economy and fostering a cohesive, vibrant and productive community.

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www.FarhadGhatan.com



**Matt W.  
Shildneck**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

None

**Other Professional Experience**

Master Electrician, current owner of It's Electric; multiple projects within the Town of Friday Harbor working as a master electrician on infrastructures that include several local businesses, the Spring Street Memorial Park, Brickworks, Waste Water Treatment Plant Expansion, the Water Treatment Facility and currently employed as a Construction and Maintenance Technician for the Friday Harbor Labs

**Education**

Associate Arts degree from Shoreline Community College

**Community Service**

Current member of the Friday Harbor Planning Commission; past Vice-President of Kiwanis Club; SAL member of the American Legion; past chairman of the Historic Preservation Review Board

**Statement**

As a 38 year resident of the island, I have valuable knowledge of projects and the infrastructure of several Friday Harbor facilities. The father of two daughters (6th generation islanders!), I recognize the importance of looking to the future of our island and town. I will work to facilitate productive meetings, encourage a cohesive and positive relationship between the Mayor's office and the Town Administrator and create a vision for future generations of our community.

With a balanced plan for growth and cost management, we can look forward to another century as a recognized natural environment and town, that appeals to our local residents and visitors. With a reasonable approach toward housing costs, a feasible tax base and concern for our town's future, allow me to work with you to develop appropriate ideas for our community while maintaining the character of the Town of Friday Harbor.

**Contact**

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**Anna Maria  
de Freitas**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

9½ years, Council Member, Position #3, Town of Friday Harbor

**Other Professional Experience**

Owner/General Manager, San Juan Island Inn Collection – Harrison House Suites, Tucker House Inn and Coho Restaurant, Friday Harbor, San Juan Island since 2005; 20 years in public broadcasting as technical director for nationally syndicated radio documentary and educational television series

**Education**

Peabody Institute of the Johns Hopkins University – Bachelor of Music Flute Performance, Bachelor of Music Recording Arts and Sciences; Johns Hopkins University – Bachelor of Science, Electrical Engineering

**Community Service**

Board Member and Marketing Chair, San Juan Island Visitor's Bureau; Chair San Juan County Housing Commission

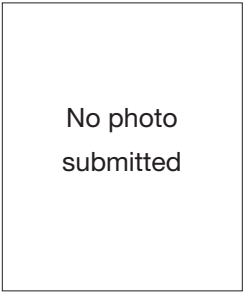
**Statement**

It has been an honor to serve on the Town Council. As I reviewed my statement from 2014, it was gratifying to reflect upon what we have accomplished – water main replacement phase 1, Blair Street reconstruction, Tucker Avenue reconstruction phase 1, Breezeway Park, Spring Street reconstruction, all while maintaining strong fiscal health with significant reserves. We need to continue to: invest in our utility infrastructure while being mindful of the environmental impact of our fragile ecosystem; work collaboratively with the county, non-profits and the private sector to address our need for affordable housing; address transportation and the impact of increased growth; support sustainable tourism, one of the drivers of our economy.

My work as a council member is not finished. I want to complete the projects and plans incubated by our current council. I pledge to continue to work vigilantly to chart a smart course for our Town's future.

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**Tim**  
**Daniels**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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**Sarah  
Werling-  
Sandwith**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience**

Sarah has served as the Center Manager, Lead Teacher, and Family Advocate at San Juan Head Start from 2006-present.

**Education**

BA Evergreen State College 2002-2006/AA Early Childhood Education Skagit Valley College 2006-2008

**Community Service**

Sarah Werling-Sandwith serves as the Vice President for San Juan Island Service Scholarship. She is an active member of the San Juan County Early Childhood Consortium, and she acts as a mentor to a variety of high school student's community projects.

**Statement**

It is with great passion and enthusiasm that I respectfully announce my desire to serve as the SJISD Board Member Position 1. I would like to offer the board a new perspective through the lens of a parent, Head Start teacher and family advocate. I want to continue taking an active role in our island community by supporting education; while building strong and honest relationships, strengthening communication, and to continue promoting community based partnerships.

I am fully dedicated to help our district properly plan for the future challenges in funding public education locally. If elected to this office, I will bring an informed, conscientious and thoughtful approach to the process of decision making for our public school system. It is my mission to support our students, families, teachers and staff. I will work honestly and collectively to be the eyes, ears, and the voice for our community.

**Contact**

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**Ruth  
McKenna**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience**

My 43 year career includes experience in *Local Districts* – teacher, administrator, and Superintendent; *State Department* – Chief Deputy Superintendent of Instruction, California Department of Education; *Educational Consultant* – district and school improvement training in WA, CA, AZ, MS, TN as well as educator training and curriculum guides for the Smarter Balanced Assessment System.

**Education**

B.A. in English, University of California Davis; M.S. in Human Resources Management, Golden Gate University; Secondary Teaching Credential, California State University Fresno; Administrative Services Credential, California State University East Bay.

**Community Service**

No information submitted

**Statement**

My experience in education gives me a broad perspective to assess the benefits and challenges in San Juan Island School District. I will listen to student, staff, and community input, and make thoughtful decisions to achieve the greatest benefit for students.

I hope to contribute to Board teamwork and ensure the district continues to provide all students with a quality education helps them be self-reliant and creative in this challenging 21st Century.

**Contact**

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**Barbara  
Bevens**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience**

Barbara spent twelve years as a teacher, seven in the San Juan Island School District. She served as the Home School Liaison/Alternative Learning Coordinator with Griffin Bay Schools. District-wide she served as the State Testing Coordinator. She was active in the state-wide initiatives concerning Alternative Learning Experiences during the 2008-2013 school years.

**Education**

B.A. Linfield College; MIT Seattle University

**Community Service**

Barbara served as a San Juan County 4-H Leader and as Leaders Council Treasurer for several years. She currently serves on the San Juan County Fair Board, after more than 20 years of volunteering at the Fair.

**Statement**

Having had two daughters, two cousins and a multitude of honorary children graduate from Friday Harbor and Griffin Bay Schools, I am still passionate about good education. We have very good schools here, we offer an excellent opportunity for students, we have an even greater opportunity moving forward.

My first career in business (20 years) and my second career in education (12 years) along with my most important career as a parent (25 years) puts me in a unique position to see the various sides of many issues facing today's schools. I can bring those perspectives to the San Juan Island School Board and help make our schools and our students even more successful. I would be honored to have your vote and together we can make the best better.

**Contact**

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**TJ  
Heller**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

Secretary, San Juan Golf & Tennis Club Board of Directors, four years; Chairperson, Burrell Osburn Scholarship Committee, four years

**Other Professional Experience**

Instructional Designer/Trainer for over 20 years

**Education**

A.A. in Journalism, Meramec Community College; B.A. in Mass Communication, Northeast Missouri State University; Dale Carnegie Sales Training

**Community Service**

United Way Day of Caring

**Statement**

As state legislators resolve the directive from our state Supreme Court, the McCleary decision impacts the day-to-day operations of San Juan School District, limiting future planning. At the federal and state level, many suggested education proposals may further impact our district, financially and academically. It is incumbent that we provide quality education for all students, while maintaining fiduciary constraints. Children are and should be our number one priority; delivering quality public education in a safe environment is paramount. Our hard-working teachers and para-educators deserve our thanks and appreciation for their daily leadership, and we should all be grateful to our parent and community volunteers for their assistance in the classroom.

I will work with our current Superintendent and Board members to support everyone involved with students' education, ensuring that we operate in a fiscally responsible manner and that all tax monies are used wisely and appropriately.

**Contact**

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No photo  
submitted

Albert  
**Olson**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

**Contact**

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**Barbara E.  
Marrett**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

Barbara was elected to the Friday Harbor Port Commission in 2005, was re-elected and is currently serving as a Port of Friday Harbor Commissioner.

**Other Professional Experience**

Local business owner, sailing instructor/seminar leader, magazine contributing editor, public relations manager San Juan Visitors Bureau.

**Education**

B.A. Cum Laude, Marymount College, Tarrytown NY (now part of Fordham University); Certificate, City and Guilds of London Art School; Graduate Leadership San Juan Islands.

**Community Service**

Volunteered at the San Juan Island National Historical Park and at Island's Convalescent Center, served on the Marine Resources Committee and currently serves on the San Juan Islands National Monument Advisory Committee.

**Statement**

After a challenging transition period at the Port, I look forward to a period of stability. I will also continue to encourage fresh ideas and new opportunities. I am seeking reelection to provide continuity of leadership while moving the Port forward.

I see the Port as a catalyst for the responsible evolution of our waterfront and our airport. As a long-time Island resident, I understand competing community interests. I am a leader who builds consensus and balances economic and environmental issues. My broad background as an author, business owner, communications manager and USCG 100-ton licensed captain has developed my critical thinking and problem solving skills. My vision for the Port is to continue to serve both as an economic driver in our community and as a leader in stewardship. I look forward to serving you for another term. I ask for your support and your vote.

**Contact**

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**Keith  
Carver**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience**

Mechanical Engineer, 100 ton USCG license, life long boater, concerned citizen, Port of Friday Harbor resident

**Education**

Mechanical Engineer: San Francisco State University

**Community Service**

No information submitted

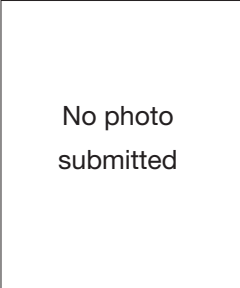
**Statement**

I am running for Port Commissioner with no previous political experience. I am a retired mechanical engineer who ran my own company for 30 years. I bring fresh ideas, creative problem solving and, long term management skills to the Port of Friday Harbor where I live with my family on our boat as a full time resident.

The Port is a vibrant focal point to our island whether coming in by ferry, boat or plane. My charter will be to continue to enhance Port facilities and personnel to facilitate growth and prosperity. The Port is instrumental in bringing much needed visitor revenue year round. I am dedicated to maintaining the Port's financial health as Commissioner. Your vote for me will assure the Port moves forward logically and with integrity.

**Contact**

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Shannon  
**Miniken**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

**Contact**  
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**Scott  
Zehner**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

10 years as a commissioner of Island Rec.

**Other Professional Experience**

Self-employed contractor

**Education**

BA from Lehigh University

**Community Service**

Town of Friday Harbor Historic Preservation Board. Island Rec board of Commissioners. Coach of boys & girls soccer, basketball and baseball teams.

**Statement**

I have enjoyed being on the Island Rec board for the past 10 years and want to continue helping provide high quality recreational programs and facilities that make our island the strong community that it is. Thank you for your support of Island Rec.

**Contact**

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**Jacquelyn  
Reiff**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Jacquelyn has 6 years experience as Island Rec board commissioner.

**Other Professional Experience**

Jacquelyn is a local business owner as co-owner of The Studio, former teacher SJISD & SDCS.

**Education**

B.S. SDSU – Athletic training, M.S. Azusa Pacific University – Physical Education, CA/WA teaching credential – Science, Health Science, Physical Education, Comprehensive Certified BASI Pilates Instructor, Pilates Method Alliance CPT, Polestar Pilates/Physical Therapy trained Pilates Instructor, NASM Corrective Exercise Specialist, & numerous health/fitness/wellness/movement certifications

**Community Service**

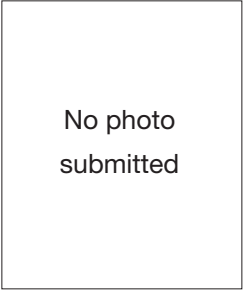
6 years board commissioner SJI Parks and Rec, 5 years FANS liaison, Friday Harbor Football Club board member, youth and high school coaching.

**Statement**

No information submitted

**Contact**

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Warren  
**Jones**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

**Contact**

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**Anna Lisa  
Lindstrum**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

First time candidate

**Other Professional Experience**

General Manager, Duck Soup Inn, 2002-2012; Sales Representative, Vinum Importing, 2012-2016; General Manager, the new Duck Soup Inn, 2017

**Education**

B.A., The Evergreen State College, Sociology

**Community Service**

Friday Harbor High School PTA

**Statement**

With the subsidy to the hospital plus the EMS budget the hospital commission is responsible for a large sum of taxpayer dollars. My years as general manager at Duck Soup Inn have provided me with considerable experience in planning, budgeting, cost accounting, personnel management and people skills. I'd like to bring that experience to the commission.

I want to continue the efforts of the current commission to provide the best health care services we can, at affordable rates, to all of our district residents. We are fortunate to have our hospital but given the religious constraints under which they must operate I think it makes good sense to seek collaboration with other providers, as the commission did last May with Planned Parenthood. I want to ensure our residents can receive as much of their medical care as possible without leaving the district.

I would be grateful for your vote.

**Contact**

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**John T  
Manning**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

None

**Other Professional Experience**

More than 40 years in Public Health including State and Local Government as well as private non-profit and volunteer experience. This experience includes 20 years with San Juan County as Director of Health and Community Services and 5 years as a Planner with the Alaska Section of Emergency Medical Services

**Education**

BA from Boston College in Political Science; MPH in Health Administration from the University of North Carolina

**Community Service**

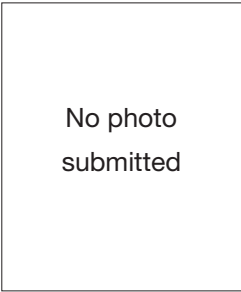
Board member: San Juan Island Prevention Coalition, The Opportunity Council, United Way of San Juan County, San Juan County Public Health and Safety Network

**Statement**

I am running for Hospital Commissioner because I believe I have the background and experience to ensure that our tax dollars devoted to medical services are spent in a prudent and appropriate manner. Of particular concern is to maintain the high level of emergency services and to provide essential medical care to all islanders.

**Contact**

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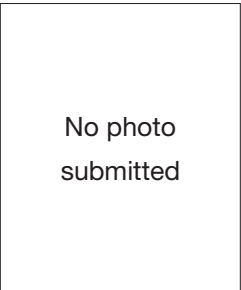
Peg  
**LeBlanc**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

**Contact**

No information submitted



Kenneth  
**O'Brien**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

**Contact**

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No photo  
submitted

**Kurt  
McMillen**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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San Juan Island | Cattle Point Water District Commissioner 2 | 4-year unexpired term

No photo  
submitted

**Sandy  
Ryan**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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San Juan Island | Cattle Point Water District Commissioner 3 | 2-year unexpired term

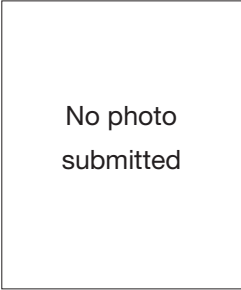
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**Doug  
Musgrove**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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**John  
Fleming**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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**Diane  
Boerstler**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

While I have drafted, lobbied for and pushed through legislation since 1995, this is my first time running for elected office.

**Other Professional Experience**

E-commerce consultant, copywriter & founder of NLP HypnoCopy (2008 to current). Global Non-Profit Financial Funding Consultant (2009 to 2014). Special education program director and teacher (2004 to 2009).

**Education**

BA, Saint Mary's College; Masters Studies in Special Education, Counseling.

**Community Service**

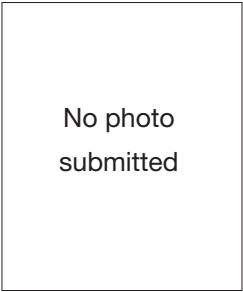
Orcas Island PTSA (2015, President 2016 – current); United Way of St. Joseph County Food Board (2010 to 2013); Advocacy Center Board (2010 to 2013); Real Services/Meals On Wheels Directors Board (2010 to 2013); SMC Diversity Board (2003 to 2006).

**Statement**

As a mama to four and former special education program director I sincerely appreciate our staffs' efforts to improve our schools and plan to help continue that advancement in 3 vital ways. One, leverage my experience to acquire untapped resources and eliminate funding gaps. Two, continue putting funding to best use by integrating what families want, what teachers need, and what scientifically proven education models show us helps kids absorb and retain new skills; even if that means lobbying for better state learning standards. That means eliminating anything currently unsupported by research, like homework in younger grades and excessive desk time, then replacing it with more project based, movement oriented, VAKOG nurturing assignments. Third, we need to make sure no one feels left behind, and no one feels held back from achieving their fullest potential by integrating more of the technologies and multi-grade classroom models that allow self-paced learning.

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**Culp**  
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**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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Orcas Island School District No. 137

## Proposition No. 1

### Bonds to Construct, Renovate and Improve School Facilities – \$10,800,000

The Board of Directors of Orcas Island School District No. 137 approved a proposition for bonds. This proposition would authorize the District to renovate and modernize District facilities to address health and safety concerns, including High School HVAC and plumbing, gymnasium infrastructure, improve Elementary School interior, undertake roadway improvements, and add classroom space for music and other programs; to issue \$10,800,000 of general obligation bonds maturing within a maximum term of 20 years, and to levy excess property taxes annually to repay the bonds, all as provided in Resolution No. 2017-06.

Should this proposition be:

Approved

Rejected

## Explanatory Statement

Written by K&L Gates LLP, attorneys for Orcas Island School District No. 137; Approved by Randall K. Gaylord, San Juan County Prosecuting Attorney

The Board of Directors of the Orcas Island School District No. 137 adopted Resolution No. 2017-06 concerning a proposition to renovate, modernize, and make upgrades to District facilities. This proposition would authorize the District to undertake renovation and modernization including, but not limited to, High School HVAC and plumbing, Old Gym interior and exterior infrastructure and systems, and other necessary safety and security repairs; interior improvements to the Elementary School; additional classroom space for music and other programs; and roadway improvements and upgrades. The proposition authorizes the District to issue \$10,800,000 of general obligation bonds and to levy property taxes annually to repay the bonds over a period of 20 years.



**You are voting Approved to approve or Rejected to reject the property tax increase**

**Approved** — you favor the property tax increase

**Rejected** — you do not favor the property tax increase

## Argument For

This bond is about one thing: providing the best possible educational environment for our children. The bulk of this bond corrects safety issues; makes essential repairs and improvements to aging/deteriorating facilities; and improves energy efficiency. The bond includes: (1) replacing the antiquated high school heating system so that students can attend class without parkas, installing an entrance vestibule for energy efficiency, replacing deteriorating plumbing, and renovating fire suppression systems; (2) a significant renovation of the “Old Gym” including: interior/exterior painting, upgrades to mechanical/electrical/energy systems, new flooring, bleachers and scoreboard, renovation of bathrooms/locker rooms, and making the stage operational; (3) providing a new music/multi-purpose room for elementary music and our award-winning strings program, freeing up the current music classroom for art and other programs; (4) making interior improvements to areas of the Elementary School, High School and Waldron School; (5) regrading and resurfacing both School Road and the parking lot, eliminating extensive potholes; and (6) adding ADA electronic doors to make the campus more accessible for people with disabilities. The School Board has listened to our voices through extensive public input, and this bond reflects the collective educational priorities of our community. The School Board has worked hard to earn the trust of the community, and the well-executed bond of 2012 attests to the vision and good planning of the Board. We urge you to allow the finalization of these proposed projects by voting *approved* on Proposition 1.

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### Written by

Miriam Ziegler, Committee Chair, community member  
Kristen Wilson, parent  
Andrew Stephens, parent

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## Argument Against

No argument against was submitted.



Orcas Island School District No. 137

## Proposition No. 2

### Capital Projects Levy

The Board of Directors of Orcas Island School District No. 137 adopted Resolution No. 2017-07 concerning a capital projects levy. The proposition authorizes the modernization and remodeling of District facilities, including athletic fields and facilities; and authorizes the following excess levies on all taxable property within the District:

Collection Years	Approximate Levy Rate/\$1,000 Assessed Value	Levy Amount
2018	\$0.11	\$227,000
2019	\$0.11	\$227,000
2020	\$0.11	\$227,000
2021	\$0.10	\$227,000
2022	\$0.10	\$227,000
2023	\$0.10	\$227,000

all as provided in District Resolution No. 2017-07.

Should this proposition be approved?

Yes

No

## Explanatory Statement

Written by K&L Gates LLP, attorneys for Orcas Island School District No. 137; Approved by Randall K. Gaylord, San Juan County Prosecuting Attorney

Passage of Proposition No. 2 would allow the levy of \$227,000 in property taxes within Orcas Island School District No. 137 for collection in 2018, the levy of \$227,000 for collection in 2019, the levy of \$227,000 for collection in 2020, the levy of \$227,000 for collection in 2021 the levy of \$227,000 for collection in 2022, and the levy of \$227,000 for collection in 2023, on all taxable property within the District, for the District’s Capital Projects Fund for modernization and remodeling of athletic fields and facilities. In accordance with Resolution No. 2017-07 approving this proposition, these taxes would be collected over six years and deposited in the District’s Capital Projects Fund to pay part of the costs to modernize its athletic fields and facilities through the repair and upgrade of existing site and structures and acquisition and installation of appropriate equipment, and to make other capital expenditures as found necessary by the Board of Directors. If authorized by the voters, and based on projected assessed valuation information, estimated levy rates per \$1,000 of assessed value would be \$0.11 (2018 collection); \$0.11 (2019 collection); \$0.11 (2020 collection); \$0.10 (2021 collection); \$0.10 (2022 collection), and \$0.10 (2023 collection). The exact levy rate shall be adjusted based upon the actual assessed value of the property within the District at the time of the levy.



**You are voting Yes to approve or No to reject the property tax increase**

**Yes** — you favor the property tax levy

**No** — you do not favor the property tax levy

## Argument For

The levy before you addresses fundamental problems with the Orcas Island School District athletic fields. These improvements will also include the development of a foundation for a track. When the OISD athletic fields were first created, there were no funding resources to properly grade them. Since that time, these fields have been afflicted by floods, puddling and washouts – all of which hinders safe play. A field's grade is its backbone, and a weakness in any one part of the system can cause the whole thing to fail. This levy will fund the long-needed rehabilitation of our schools' fields. Fixing these fundamental structural issues will also allow the district to build new baseball and soccer fields, as well as construct the foundation for a donated track. The district has been offered the gift of one million dollars for the specific purpose of building a track. Maintenance of the track will be funded by the payout that the district receives from an endowment also given by this donor. Most communities, even smaller than ours, benefit from having a school district track. Orcas will too. Very few school districts have had the benefit of such a generous donation for one. Orcas Island needs a track. Your *approval* of this levy is a vote for a worthwhile investment in our children and our community as a whole. For more information, go to the website:  
<http://www.orcasislandschoolsbondandlevy.com>

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### Written by

Kathy Morris, Orcas Middle School volleyball coach  
Dennis "Coach" Dahl, retired teacher and coach –  
Orcas Island School District

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## Argument Against

No argument against was submitted.



**Amanda  
Montague**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience**

I am currently the Vice President of Education & Healthcare Relations for the Multiple Sclerosis Association of America.

**Education**

B.A. in Economics, Smith College (1999); Ed.M. in Risk & Prevention, Harvard Graduate School of Education (2004)

**Community Service**

Commissioner, Orcas Island Fire and Rescue (10/16-present); Board Member, Orcas Island Medical Foundation (5/17-present); Board Member, Doe Bay Community Association (1/16-present); Merit Reviewer, Patient-Centered Outcomes Research Institute (PCORI) (1/16-present); San Francisco Child Care Planning and Advisory Council (Member, 1/05-12/12; Chair, 1/11-12/12); Special Commendation from San Francisco Board of Supervisors for improving the lives of children and families (2012)

**Statement**

It has been a great honor to serve as a Fire Commissioner for the past year, and I hope to continue to serve our community in this position.

In my professional life, I have worked closely with local government, non-profit coalitions and community members to advocate on behalf of children, families, patients and healthcare professionals.

In my time as Fire Commissioner, I have been honored to work with the Commissioners and the exceptional members of our department on funding opportunities through grants, the collective bargaining agreement, and on increasing the Commission from three to five members.

I believe strongly in collaboration, and strive to represent the interests of all those impacted by the work of the department: the community, professional members, and our dedicated volunteers. I would greatly appreciate your vote, and the opportunity to continue to serve our community and Orcas Island Fire and Rescue.

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**Barbara  
Bedell**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

I have served as a Fire Commissioner for District #2 for eight years.

**Other Professional Experience**

My other professional experience involved teaching American and British Literature and College Writing and developing technical manuals as a systems analyst.

**Education**

I have an MA in Medieval Literature.

**Community Service**

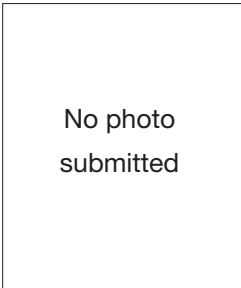
I have served on numerous boards on Orcas Island and as a member of the UW Community Action Board for the Department of Ophthalmology.

**Statement**

As both a Fire Commissioner and a tax payer in San Juan County, I am concerned specifically about the increasing need for and distribution of those revenues in regard to Orcas Island Fire and Rescue. Resources are limited, and the mandate of the Board of Fire Commissioners is to make judicious decisions within the annual budget regarding the purchase of new equipment, the remodeling and improvement of the seven fire stations, the acquisition of suitable training, and the improvement of communication. I do believe progress is possible in all of these areas, thus enabling Orcas Island Fire and Rescue to maintain and to improve its already exceptional level of care for our community.

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**Ed  
Sutton**  
(Nonpartisan)

No information submitted

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**Jim  
Helminski**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience**

U.S. Secret Service 27 years (Retired),  
<https://www.linkedin.com/in/jhelminski/>

**Education**

No information submitted

**Community Service**

Appointment to open commission seat, San Juan County  
Fire Protection District #2/Commissioner 4 (April 2017)

**Statement**

Jim Helminski believes a well-tuned emergency services organization requires a professional with related emergency operational and business acumen. Jim has a proven record of success in emergency services organizational management. In July 2015, Jim retired as a Deputy Assistant Director of the U.S. Secret Service, providing management of human resources planning and policy development for the agency's offices nationwide. Prior, Jim managed U.S. Secret Service operations in the Pacific Northwest as Special Agent in Charge of the Seattle field office. During his 27 years with the Service, Jim also served as Deputy Assistant Director of Investigations, and as a protective services supervisor for Presidents Clinton and Bush and Vice President Biden. Prior to his federal public service, Jim progressed through state and local government ranks as a police officer, detective, and founding captain of a mounted police unit. Jim looks forward to serving the Orcas Island community.

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Shawn M.

**Simpson**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

None, 1st time running for office.

**Other Professional Experience**

30 years in business on Orcas Island, Orcas Sewage Design, (owner/operator) working with contractors and county officials in the Health Industry. Cookie Tender Bakery, 1983-1987

**Education**

High School Education

**Community Service**

Firefighter: Orcas Island Fire and Rescue since 2012.  
Member Orcas Island Community Church since 1995.

**Statement**

I would like to run for Port Commissioner to help further the operation and maintenance of the Eastsound Airport and travel to and from Orcas Island. I have been a Private Pilot since 1985, although not current. I would very much like to return to aviation and help however I can with Port operations.

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Ayers**  
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**Dwight  
Guss**  
(Nonpartisan)

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Greg  
**Sawyer**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

No information submitted

**Other Professional Experience**

No information submitted

**Education**

No information submitted

**Community Service**

No information submitted

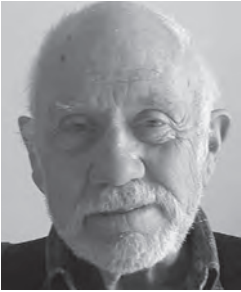
**Statement**

Greg Sawyer is committed to public service. Employed by San Juan County and currently your Facilities Manager, Greg is a steward of public property. Greg is also a volunteer fire fighter and member of the rescue team. Before moving to Orcas Island Greg owned and operated Providence Builders, a Portland Oregon construction company specializing in renovation and remodeling. Greg is an instrument rated private pilot. Orcas has always been an important destination; his in-laws have lived here since 1983. As a port commissioner Greg will work to ensure that local taxes and economic investments at the port serve the entire community. "Change is inevitable, it's how we craft and control change that's important."

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Steve  
**Hopkins**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Ran for county commissioner years ago; lost the election.  
Elected to Port of Orcas Commission four times.

**Other Professional Experience**

Research geologist/paleobotanist with Pan American petroleum and Geological Survey of Canada.

**Education**

Graduate degrees from Universities of Washington, Alaska, and British Columbia.

**Community Service**

Have been on various boards and committees over my 34 years on Orcas Island. Currently on local medical board, member of the SJC Board of Equalization, and a Commissioner for the Port of Orcas. Also have done volunteer work with the Senior Services of Orcas Island in years past.

**Statement**

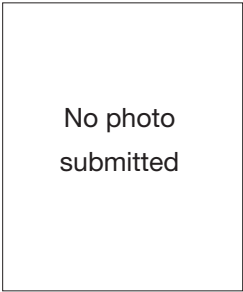
The Orcas Island airport is a vital part of the island community serving transportation, medical and emergency needs. My concerns have always been, and continue to be, an airport where safety and efficiency are paramount.

Over the years I have been on the Port Commission we have had a steady improvement in both of these categories which continues to this day. Terminal facilities have improved, emergency electrical facilities have been installed, runway and medical helipad lighting has been updated, and automated weather facilities installed. New ground navigational equipment has improved safety for aircraft, passengers and persons on the ground. Other improvements have been made. And through all this the airport has continued to be a friendly facility.

I would like to continue to be a part of this continual positive change and would appreciate your vote for me as airport commissioner, position 4.

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**Bob**  
**Eagan**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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**Justin  
Paulsen**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Current Park and Rec Commissioner

**Other Professional Experience**

Small Business Owner on Orcas Island for 15+ years

**Education**

B.A. Western Washington University – 1996

**Community Service**

Past Board President – Orcas Daycare Association. Past Board member – Orcas Family Health Center. Board President – Orcas Island Booster Club

**Statement**

It has been my pleasure to serve on the Orcas Park and Recreation commission over the past few years. The current Commissioners and Staff are not only dedicated to the improvement and preservation of Buck park, but also to developing and stewarding programs that serve *all* members of our community. I look forward to the chance to continue our work and to work with our community to create spaces and programs that enhance the recreational opportunities on Orcas.

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submitted

Deborah  
**Jones**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Currently serving as OIPRD commissioner 5, 2015 to present; Suncrest Homeowners Association 2006-2014; Rico, CO Town Boardmember, 2004

**Other Professional Experience**

Bluebird Builders, LLC, Office Management and Designer

**Education**

B.A. University of Oregon 1992

**Community Service**

Volunteer, Orcas Island School District

**Statement**

Orcas Island Parks and Rec has made great progress improving Buck Park thanks to community support! The staff has been successful growing programs necessary for a thriving community. I have been happy being a part of this process and would like to continue with our work.

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submitted

David B  
**Lowry**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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John  
**Holding**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Lopez Island School Board, 2009 to present.

**Other Professional Experience**

Strategy consultant and board director in business and academia.

**Education**

B.S., Oregon State University, Industrial Engineering.  
MBA, Stanford Graduate School of Business.

**Community Service**

Active in tutoring and trips programs at Lopez School, as well as Quaker Voluntary Service, a national young adult service program.

**Statement**

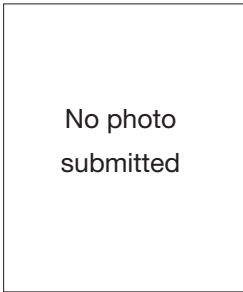
I believe in progressive education and in keeping a vibrant and fiscally sound school on Lopez. I support our school offering a broad curriculum of academic subjects, extracurricular activities, and travel programs. I am proud of our dedicated staff, high graduation rates, and the lives our graduates lead beyond our school.

Our school has made great strides over the last few years with enhanced financial health, completion of a campus-wide building renovation program, and recent recognition by the State of Washington as a "School of Distinction" for academic achievement growth as well as recognition as a "STEM Lighthouse" school.

It has been an honor to serve on the Lopez Island School Board. I am asking for your vote to continue that service.

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Don  
**Burt Jr**  
(Nonpartisan)

No information submitted

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Chris  
**Greacen**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

None

**Other Professional Experience**

Consultant on rural electrification, energy access and renewable energy.

**Education**

MS and Ph.D. University of California at Berkeley, Energy and Resources. B.A., Reed College, Physics.

**Community Service**

Active in tutoring and volunteer lectures at Lopez School. Board member of Lopez Island Education Foundation (LIEF) which provides grants to Lopez teachers. Member of Lopez School Technology Committee.

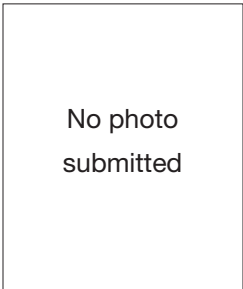
**Statement**

I grew up on Lopez, attending Lopez School from 3rd grade through graduation. My two children are enrolled as Lopez middle/high students. I see the school as the heart of our community. And I see strong education and critical thinking skills as more essential than ever in today's complex world.

Lopez school has come a long way from when I was a student there in the 1970s and 80s and I value the hard work of our teachers and staff. I support a broad range of academic subjects, arts, extracurricular activities, and travel that are consistent with a fiscally sound school. If elected, I will work to support teachers and students to meet and exceed academic requirements and provide diverse and engaging opportunities for our kids to thrive.

**Contact**

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**Bruce  
Johnson**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Current SJC Fire Protection District #4 Commissioner

**Other Professional Experience**

No information submitted

**Education**

No information submitted

**Community Service**

No information submitted

**Statement**

As a Fire Commissioner on Lopez Island, I worked with the Fire and EMS team with admiration. Under the strong leadership of our Fire Chief, Administrative Staff, Paramedics, volunteer EMT's, and Firefighters have demonstrated a highly motivated and dedicated team. Despite increasing demands, they remain spirited towards the drills and the resultant skills they perform.

Collaboratively and with mutual respect, I continue to work with my fellow Fire Commissioners. Working with our Chief, we have managed to monitor and maintain a fiscal and operational strategic plan to adhere to the responsibilities towards the public. In-depth critical thinking towards the challenges we have faced has enhanced our ability to accomplish this. It is our intention to continue for many years to come.

I ask for your support which will enable me to be an integral part of this outstanding Emergency Services and Volunteer Fire Department for the next 6 years.

**Contact**

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**Paul S.  
Henriksen**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

I have been elected to, and currently serve on, 3 non-profit boards: Camp Nor'wester, Lopez Island Historical Society, and Lopez Island Yacht Club. This is my first campaign for an elected government position.

**Other Professional Experience**

Facilities Manager at Camp Nor'wester – 11 years and co-Director – 22 years.

**Education**

BS in Microbiology and Wildlife Biology from WSU. Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator.

**Community Service**

Lopez School District: Project Design Advisory Team, PIP (Play Intervention Program) for 4 years, Nicaragua Trip Chaperone and Fundraiser – 11 years, Substitute Bus Driver – 36 years. FLIP Building Committee. Commodore – Lopez Island Yacht Club. Past San Juan Audubon Society President.

**Statement**

I moved to Lopez in 1978 to work at Camp Nor'wester. There I married and raised two children. My wife, Christa, and I directed the Camp from 1989-2012, and relocated it to Johns Island in 2000, managing a 10 million dollar capital campaign. I worked with Board members, staff, campers, parents, contractors and governmental agencies. I bring management experience, local knowledge and ability to listen and work with different people to the Port Commission.

Lopez Airport is a vital link for our community, sustaining the local economy. I will work to retain the Port as a viable facility for local pilots, airlift operations, disaster preparedness and as an economic connection to other islands and the mainland. I am interested in Lopezians' views for marine related projects. The Port is well managed, and I will help the Port Commission continue these fiscally responsible efforts to enhance the Lopez community.

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www.paulforport.com



**Larry  
Bailey**

(Nonpartisan)

**Elected Experience**

This is my first time seeking public office.

**Other Professional Experience**

40+ years: business lawyer; 35+ years: business owner; 40+ years: leader of local/national nonprofits; Captain, US Army (artillery, 1963-70), awarded Army Commendation Medal.

**Education**

Dartmouth College, AB (scholarship recipient; current class president); University of Illinois, JD (2007 Distinguished Alumni Award).

**Community Service**

Current: Consultant, Hamlet House (2012-); Treasurer, World Justice Project (2007-). Previous: President, Ryther Child Center; Vice President, MOHAI; President, Seattle Youth Symphony; President, Job Therapy; President, Puget Sound Social Programs; Trustee, Northwest Soccer Fund; Trustee, Laurelhurst Community Assoc.; President/Coach, LVR Soccer Assoc.; Scout Leader, Chief Seattle Council/BSA.

**Statement**

When money is tight, business experience, independence, and professionalism matter. As a Lopez homeowner since 1975 and full-timer since 2010, I understand the increasingly complex challenges our Port faces, such as limited funds to hire professional expertise. As Commissioner, I'll apply my legal/business expertise, problem-solving and listening skills, and team-oriented approach. I am committed to maintaining respectful, constructive dialogue with all citizens and as a regular attendee of Port meetings, I understand the importance of transparency in all Port decisions. To maintain the safety and viability of our airport, we must become both more creative and efficient with our funding. I will focus on using taxpayer money wisely and prudently to pursue goals benefiting all Lopezians. I've proven my ability to do so in numerous organizations.

Please let my broad, unique skillset and experience benefit our Port. I ask for your vote and your support.

**Contact**

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James  
**Orcutt**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Incumbent Public Hospital District 2, position 4

**Other Professional Experience**

Jim Orcutt retired as University of Washington Professor of Ophthalmology in 2015. He was the National Director of Ophthalmology for Veterans Affairs and Chief of Surgery for the VA region (Alaska, Washington, Oregon and Idaho).

**Education**

Jim Orcutt received degrees as Bachelor of Pharmacy, Doctor of Philosophy in Pharmacology and Medical Doctor from the University of Colorado. He completed his Residency in Ophthalmology at the University of Washington in 1981.

**Community Service**

Jim is currently Board Chair for the Lopez Hamlet and Public Hospital District Commissioner.

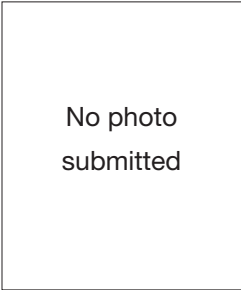
**Statement**

Jim Orcutt's healthcare systems and budget experience, coupled with long family ties to the island make him uniquely prepared for the role of Commissioner. Jim Orcutt has had family on Lopez since 1971 and retired to Lopez in 2015.

It is important that at least one Commissioner have healthcare experience, especially related to topics important to the clinic, e.g. electronic medical records and quality-based reimbursement. Jim has such experience and was elected as an initial Commissioner in April 2017. He has helped arrange the association with the University of Washington and the start of the newly formed commission. He is committed to assuring high quality healthcare on Lopez and assuring tax dollars are used effectively and efficiently.

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San  
**Olson**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

Current MacKaye Harbor Water District Commissioner,  
Position 2

**Other Professional Experience**

Retired DVM

**Education**

BS Purdue University; DVM University of California Davis

**Community Service**

Past board member of CWMA and Salmon Point  
Community Association. Current board member Friends of  
the San Juans. Former volunteer for IOSA and the Marine  
Mammal Stranding Network.

**Statement**

As a customer of the water district, like you, I expect  
clean, wholesome and reliable fresh water on demand.  
The Commissioners and staff of the district are dedicated  
to ensuring that commitment is fulfilled to the best of our  
ability.

Years ago I served as a member of the Board of Directors  
of the private MacKaye Water Company. For the past  
two years I have served as an elected Commissioner for  
our public water district. I believe my experience with the  
water system in both of its organizational forms helps me  
function more effectively as your Commissioner.

I ask for your vote to continue serving as a Commissioner  
for the MacKaye Harbor Water District.

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No photo  
submitted

Tom  
**McDaniel**  
(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

#### **Elected Experience**

None

#### **Other Professional Experience**

I managed nuclear safeguards R&D and support contracts for the NRC, the DOE, and the IAEA. Later, I helped pioneer electronic identification technology and systems for transportation applications: electronic toll collection, railcar, truck, and intermodal container tracking. This technology has improved operational efficiency and reduced auto emissions while improving safety by eliminating the queuing, idling and merging of cars at toll booths.

#### **Education**

BA – Earlham College; PhD – Purdue University

#### **Community Service**

Since moving to Lopez Island, I have been the treasurer of the Lopez Island Community Tennis Association and volunteered for the Tour de'Lopez and at the Lopez recycling facility.

#### **Statement**

Sewage plants can serve a “gatekeeper” role in the release of hazardous chemicals into the environment. Three areas of concern, beyond the normal biological processing of sewage, are heavy metals, discarded pharmaceuticals, and methane. Heavy metals and pharmaceuticals pose growing food chain issues while methane, as a greenhouse gas, is 23 times worse than carbon dioxide. Lopez could be an ideal small-scale test bed for studying new treatment techniques to address these issues. In addition to continuing to manage our facilities effectively, I would like to seek grant funding to help advance the state-of-the-art in waste water processing.

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Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District

## Proposition No. 1

The Governing Body of the Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District adopted Resolution No. 01-2017 concerning an excess levy for the District. This proposition would authorize the District to generate \$105,000 by a levy of excess taxes upon all taxable property within the District in an amount estimated to be \$0.10131 per \$1,000 assessed valuation for one tax year – 2018 – for the purpose of funding operations and capital improvements of the District.

Shall the proposition be approved?

Yes

No

## Explanatory Statement

Written by Randall K. Gaylord, San Juan County Prosecuting Attorney

Each year, the Governing Board of the Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District has proposed a balanced budget that includes revenue from tipping fees based upon weight or volume and tax revenue to be paid for with a one-year property tax levy. The amount of the tax revenue for 2018 is \$105,000.

The Governing Board has adopted Resolution No. 1-2017 calling for an election to approve the one-year property tax measure. If adopted, taxes on property within the district will increase by approximately \$0.10131 per \$1,000 of assessed value for taxes imposed for the year 2018.

The revenue raised by this proposal must be used by the Lopez Solid Waste Disposal District for operations and capital expenses.

A sixty percent majority is needed to pass this proposal. A “yes” vote is a vote to approve the proposal; a “no” vote is a vote against the proposal.



**You are voting Yes to approve or No to reject the property tax increase**

**Yes** — you favor the property tax levy

**No** — you do not favor the property tax levy

## Argument For

The solid waste levy must be approved by voters every year.

From January to July, 2017 volumes increase by 6%. We recycled over 119 tons, reclaimed 63 tons of glass, hauled 239 tons of garbage off island, and diverted over a ton of materials per day from landfills to reuse through Take It or Leave It. Over 28,000 customers will visit in 2017. Volunteers are providing over 3,750 hours of support annually.

This year we expanded recycling/garbage hours by 33%, paved, and improved parking, hired a District Manager, added security cameras, better secured the TOLI, and initiated a program with the Lopez school to find higher-value uses for recycled plastics.

The Lopez Dump will continue with free self-separated recycling and \$8 per garbage can. Ours is the lowest cost solid waste facility in the county.

Garbage fees alone cannot support our system. Skagit fees increased this year while product prices remain depressed. This levy of \$0.10131 per \$1000 of assessed value will provide us \$105,000 – a small price to pay for a well-managed, award-winning program that helps keep our beautiful rural island healthy and clean.

Vote for Lopez Proposition 1 to keep our Lopez Dump and Take It or Leave It operating under local control and managed according to Lopez values.

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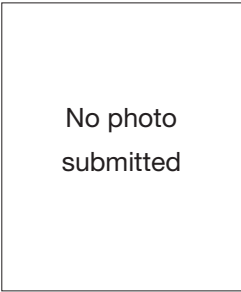
### Written by

Citizens for Lopez Solid Waste Levy:  
Kirman Taylor, Sandy Bishop, Lorrie Harrison

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## Argument Against

No argument against was submitted.



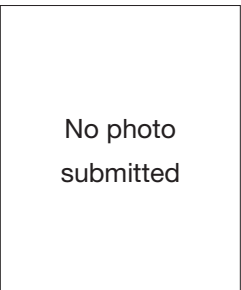
**Cari  
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**Unopposed**

No information submitted

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**Unopposed**

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Linda  
**Bergquist**

(Nonpartisan)

**Unopposed**

**Elected Experience**

6 years as Cemetery Commissioner; 13+ years as PTA Officer; 12 years as Director of the Turn Point Lighthouse Preservation Society

**Other Professional Experience**

No information submitted

**Education**

High School Graduate and former Stuart Island School student

**Community Service**

Curator, Stuart Island Teacherage Museum

**Statement**

I will work with the other commissioners to keep the Stuart Island Cemetery a beautiful and peaceful place to bury your loved ones.

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