

**MEETING MINUTES**  
**SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON**  
**COUNTY COUNCIL**  
**TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2018**

Legislative Hearing Room, 55 Second Street, Friday Harbor, WA 98250

**09:02 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE**

Council Chair Watson called the meeting to order at 09:02 AM. Present: Council Members Jamie Stephens, Bill Watson and Rick Hughes, Assistant to the Council Sue Kollet and interested members of the public.

**Approval of Minutes:**

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the San Juan County Council meeting minutes of Monday, May 21, 2018 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the San Juan County Council meeting minutes of Tuesday, May 22, 2018 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the San Juan County Council special meeting minutes of Friday, May 25, 2018 as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**Approval of Consent Agenda:**

**MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, June 12, 2018.**

**Financial Items:**

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of **May 14, 2018:**

- EFT #19051418 Public Works Combined Tax in the amount of \$348.25
- EFT #190515182 Parks Combined Tax in the amount of \$4,389.17
- Warrant #200174 Sheriffs claim in the amount of \$4,178.13
- Warrant #200175 Elections claim in the amount of \$690.00
- Warrant #200176 Veteran's Assistance in the amount of \$51.48
- Warrant #200177 - 200289 County claims in the amount of \$268,119.00  
Plus use tax in the amount of \$150.90 for total expenditures of \$268,269.90
- Warrant #200290 - 200318 Public Works claims in the amount of \$215,458.67

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of **May 21 2018:**

- Warrants #200343 - 200349 Veteran's Assistance claims in the amount of \$1,900.00
- Warrants #200477 - 200565 County claims in the amount of \$117,436.28  
Plus use tax in the amount of \$90.93 for total expenditures of \$117,527.21
- Warrants #200566 - 200592 Public Works' claims in the amount of \$206,426.55

The Auditor's office requests approval for the following warrants issued the week of **May 27, 2018:**

- Warrants #200616 Veteran's Assistance claims in the amount of \$442.89
- Warrants #200695 - 200698 Veteran's Assistance claims in the amount of \$828.35
- Warrants #200699 - 200711 Public Works' claims in the amount of \$92,198.15
- Warrants #200712 - 200754 County claims in the amount of \$107,754.01  
Plus use tax in the amount of \$23.24 for total expenditures of \$107,777.25

The Auditor's office requests approval for interfund transfers issued the month of May, 2018.

The Treasurer's office requests approval for the checks issued for the month of May, 2018.

**ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED**

**Approval of Correspondence:** none

**Citizens Access:** The following citizens offered comments: Ken Carrasco

Note: Due to technical issues with the livestreaming software, Mr. Watson recessed for approximately 30 minutes until the issue was resolved.

**09:37 AM PUBLIC HEARING:** To Adopt a Flood Hazard Ordinance– Colin Maycock, Planner IV, Erika Shook, Director  
**Present:** Full Council, Assistant to the Council Sue Kollet

Chair Watson opened the public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Maycock presented the Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

Chair Watson opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

Chair Watson closed public testimony. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adopt the proposed ordinance repealing sections 15.12.010-15.12.200 of Chapter 15.12 San Juan County Code; adopting new flood hazard control regulations and amending Chapter 18.80.140 San Juan County Code with the changes proposed in the staff report to County Council from Erika Shook, Community Development Director, dated June 7, 2018 and as modified today. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**09:49 AM ACTION:** Proposed Sign Code Revision (2<sup>nd</sup> touch) – Jon Cain, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Mr. Cain presented the proposed revision and answered Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Hughes to advance the draft ordinance to the Planning Commission to hold a Public Hearing on the proposed revisions regarding political signs, amending San Juan County Code 18.40.400(C) and Ordinance 2-1998 and to make a recommendation back to County Council. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**10:02 AM DISCUSSION/ACTION:** To Approve a Resolution Adopting the Haven Road Pedestrian Improvements into the 2018 Annual Construction Program – Colin Huntemer, County Engineer

Mr. Huntemer presented the Resolution and answered Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve the resolution adopting the Haven Road Pedestrian Improvements to the 2018 Annual Construction Program. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**10:49 AM DISCUSSION:** Orcas Island Hospital District Loan Request – Rhonda Pederson, Treasurer

Ms. Pederson presented the proposed Interlocal Agreement between San Juan County and Orcas Island Health Care District and answered Council's questions. Today's presentation is purely informational to Council.

**11:00 AM EXECUTIVE SESSION:** To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i)  
**Present:** Council, Prosecuting Attorney Randall Gaylord, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Jon Cain, Attorney Mike Kitson via phone, HR Manager James Wolf, Council Assistant Sue Kollet

At 10:57 AM, Council Chair Watson announced that the Council would be holding an executive session pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) estimated to last 45 minutes. Following that, Council will take lunch and will reconvene the meeting at 1:00 pm.

At 11:46 AM, Ms. Kollet stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the session would continue for an additional 20 minutes.

**No Action was taken.**

At 12:09 PM, Ms. Kollet stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the executive session had ended. As stated earlier by Mr. Watson, the Council will break for lunch and will reconvene the regular session at 1:00 PM.

**01:02 PM**

Mr. Watson reconvened the Council meeting following a break for lunch. Mr. Hughes asked for further discussion concerning the item discussed earlier today concerning proposed sign code revisions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**Moved by Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens that San Juan County Council put a moratorium on political sign requirements as they currently stand in 18.40.400 (C), until Council can act, through the process, including Planning Commission, deliberation, public comment and Public Hearing. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**01:05 PM ACTION:** Adding an FTE Position to Facilities Administration – Greg Sawyer, Facilities Manager

Mr. Sawyer presented the proposal and answered Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve a 0.8 FTE increase in the Facilities Department and a \$29,936 increase in 2018 expenditure appropriations. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**01:10 PM ACTION:** Resolution Adopting an Amended Vision for 2018 Vision for 2018 Update of the San Juan County Comprehensive Plan – Adam Zack, Planner; Linda Kuller, Planning Manager

Mr. Zack and Ms. Kuller reviewed the changes made by Council at yesterday's Council meeting and answered Council's questions. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to approve a Resolution Adopting An Amended Vision for the 2018 Update of The San Juan County Comprehensive Plan. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**01:13 PM COUNCIL MEMBER & COUNTY MANAGER UPDATES:**

**Committee Appointments/Reappointments:**

**MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to appoint Jenny De Groot, Vicki Heater, Paul Kamin, Kyle Loring, Judy Meyer, Robert Naiman, Gary Sale, Laura Jo Severson and Kimbal Sundberg to Clean Water Advisory Committee: ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to appoint David Kau to Eastsound Design Review Subcommittee. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Stephens to appoint Sandi Friel to Land Bank Commission. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**Discussion:** Potential Fair Board Ordinance Change re: membership (1<sup>st</sup> touch).

Mr. Watson shared the concern expressed by Fair Staff as to their inability to fill a voluntary position representing Lopez Island and another representing Shaw Island. They have current applications from two applicants who reside on San Juan Island and would be interested in considering these applicants in advance of this year's fair.

There was consensus among Council to support a minor revision to the current ordinance to appoint At Large positions on a temporary basis. Mr. Watson will confer with the Prosecutor's office to develop draft language to modify the current ordinance.

**Future Agenda Review:** Council made three revisions to the current Council meeting calendar: added meetings on Oct. 16 and 30 and cancelled a meeting on August 20. Council will consider rescheduling the meeting currently set for August 21.

**01:39 PM RECESS**

**02:07 PM ACTION:** Ordinance Adopting Interim Official Controls Regarding Political Signs  
– Jon Cain, Deputy Prosecuting Attorney

Mr. Cain presented the proposed interim ordinance in response to the Council's desire to take more immediate action to address the political sign issue and answered Council's questions. Attorney Cain noted that under this interim ordinance, Council must hold a Public Hearing on the issue within thirty days and suggested that Council hold that Public Hearing along with the Planning Commission as Council is scheduled for a joint meeting with the Planning Commission on June 20, 2018 already. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

**MOVED by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve the Ordinance Adopting Interim Official Controls Regarding Political Signs. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

**02:21 PM ADJOURN**

Chair Watson adjourned the meeting.

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SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

These Minutes were approved and signed on June 26, 2018. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid R. Gabriel, Council Clerk.