

SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
MEETING MINUTES
COUNTY COUNCIL
August 30, 2011

Tuesday, August 30, 2011 – SPECIAL MEETING on Waldron Island

10:08 AM REGULAR MEETING - CALL TO ORDER

Council Chair Lovel Pratt called the meeting to order at 10:08 a.m. Council Members present: Howard (Howie) Rosenfeld, Rich Peterson, Richard Fralick, Patty Miller and Jamie Stephens; County Administrator Pete Rose, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel, Deputy Clerk Maureen See, and interested members of the public were present.

Ms. Pratt reminded the public that video recordings of Council meetings held in the Council Legislative Hearing Room are available for on-line viewing via live-streaming on the day of the meeting and can be viewed the following day on the Council website. The current video and three months of prior videos can be accessed by going to the San Juan County website www.sanjuanco.com and selecting the County Council tab.

Approval of Minutes:

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Fralick, to approve the Minutes of August 16, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Approval of Consent Agenda:

A. Resolutions:

A Resolution Accepting an Easement Authorizing Payment for A Street to Main Street Drainage Improvement Easement for Stormwater Conveyance, CRP STO805, Bayview Properties, LLC

Ordinances:

B. Contracts/Agreements :

C. Budget Items:

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

- Warrant #99203 in the amount of \$80.64 for Veteran's Assistance
- Warrants #99206-99224 in the amount of \$5,855.89 for medical reimbursement
- EFT #08182011 in the amount of \$7,934.05 for Public Works Excise
- Warrants #99377-99495 in the amount of \$158,262.06 for County Claims
- Warrants #99496-99521 in the amount of \$64,159.28 for Public Works
- Warrants #99577-99668 in the amount of \$70,032.33 for County Claims
- Warrant #99576 in the amount of \$250 for Veteran's Assistance
- Warrants #99669-99697 in the amount of \$313,815.38 for Public Works

D. Personnel:

E. Appointments

F. Correspondence:

G. Miscellaneous:

H. Bid Openings:

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to approve the Consent Agenda of August 30, 2011. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Ms. Pratt initiated introductions from Council, staff, and other attendees.

Approval of Correspondence:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve a letter to the Postmaster General of the United States Postal Service asking not to close the Waldron Island Post ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to approve a letter to the Connecting Washington Task Force in support of ferry funding. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Citizens Access: The following citizens submitted comments: Linnea Bensel, Jim Wester, Bill Cook, Micki Brostrom, David Loyd

10:39 AM DISCUSSION: Waldron Parking

Russ Harvey, Public Works Director, offered a history of the Waldron Parking Project.

Comments were offered by: Ryan Drum, Allison Post, Gretchen Wagner, Jeff Heater, Millie Thorson, Jim Wester, Bob Gamble, Bill Appel

11:00 AM PRESENTATION: Waldron Subarea Plan – Bob Gamble

Bob Gamble presented a chronology of the Waldron Island Land-Use Planning (1973-95) by David Edelman, with an addendum by Ollie Wilgress, Lizanne Magraw and Bob Weaver

Comments were offered by: Jeff Heater, Allison Post

11:17 AM DISCUSSION: Waldron Community Resolution re: Redistricting

Auditor Milene Henley reported on the preliminary findings of the Council-appointed Districting Committee which is recommending that Waldron Island remain in the Orcas West District.

Comments were offered by: Bill Cort, Bob Gamble

11:28 PM County Administrator Reports:

1. Gravel Bids – Pete Rose, County Administrator

Mr. Rose gave a summary of the gravel surplus granted by the Council and the current bid status.

Comments were offered by: Ollie Wilgress, Bill Appel, Gretchen Post, Bill Cort, Jeff Heater, Bob Gamble

Mr. Rose agreed to meet with Ollie Wilgress and Bill Appel during lunch to discuss ideas.

2. Request to Apply for Stormwater Grants – Pete Rose CA and Ed Hale, Utilities Manager

Mr. Rose introduced Ed Hale, Utilities Manager. Mr. Hale explained the relationship between the Puget Sound Partnership and the storm water grants that are available. The grants are

joint ventures with the Department of Health and the Department of Ecology, and will support assessment monitoring programs. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to approve proceeding with the grant application for the Puget Sound Pathogen Prevention, Reduction & Control Program, pending final approval at the September 13, 2011 meeting to include clarification of ongoing budgetary and regulatory commitments. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

3. 2011 Budget Amendment (2nd Touch) – Pete Rose, CA

Mr. Rose explained the mid-year Budget Amendment and answered questions from the Council. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to schedule a Public Hearing on September 13, 2011 at 10:15 am, to consider an Ordinance Amending the Adopted 2011 Budget as outlined in the Mid-Year Budget Amendment document. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

12:14 PM LUNCH RECESS

1:05 PM DISCUSSION: Plan “B” Solid Waste Program Report – Patty Miller, Chair Solid Waste Subcommittee

Ms. Miller gave a Solid Waste Subcommittee Update with recommendations. After discussion, the following action took place:

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to develop a level of service ordinance that requires the franchise hauler to make disposal of recycling as simple as the disposal of garbage. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

The Council agreed by consensus to request the Solid Waste Subcommittee to investigate the options for addressing the potential of litter in the Solid Waste Ordinance.

Moved by Mr. Peterson, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to ensure that the RFP is clear that the operator will be responsible for all permits and capital requirements subject to risk management. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Peterson to authorize the Administrator to exercise the existing option to extend the lease now with mutually acceptable amendments. MOTION WITHDRAWN

Moved by Ms. Miller, seconded by Mr. Stephens, to authorize the Administrator to inform the Town that the County intends to exercise its unilateral option to extend the lease and is also open to a revised re-structured lease. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

1:30 PM DISCUSSION: Proposed Waldron Post Office Closure
Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to approve a letter to the Postmaster General of the United States Postal Service asking not to close the Waldron Island Post Office. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Fralick, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to send a duplicate letter to D. Katherine Nash, USPS Seattle District Manager. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

2:00 PM **DISCUSSION:** Proposed Change to the Reserve Ordinance (1st Touch)
Milene Henley, Auditor

Ms. Henley explained the proposed change to the Reserve Ordinance.

2:20 PM **COUNCIL MEMBER UPDATES & DISCUSSION ITEMS:**

Legislative Priorities: Ms. Pratt asked the Council to provide their ideas for 2012 Priorities by September 9.

Ferries/FAC/Intermodal: Mr. Rosenfeld reported that Duane Clark, Anacortes Ferry Advisory Committee, has organized getting the Hovee Report (ferry financial impacts) updated for a cost of \$17,000 to be paid for by the communities affected. The cost to San Juan County (including Town and maybe the Chambers) would be \$2,500.

David Moseley asked Mr. Rosenfeld to testify before the Connecting Washington Task Force (CWTF). The next meeting is September 9, but Mr. Rosenfeld may wish to wait until the October meeting when the location may be closer than Olympia.

The Transportation Commission passed the rate proposals without using the San Juan County's FAC recommendations.

Ed Sutton resigned by the Ferry Advisory Committee. Mr. Rosenfeld asked Orcas Council Members Miller and Fralick to represent Orcas while the replacement recruitment goes on.

The October meeting of FAC will be on the Third Wednesday (October 19) instead of the second Wednesday, and will be held on Lopez or Shaw. The next FAC meeting is September 14.

Budget Subcommittee: Mr. Fralick reported that the 2011 Budget Amendments are changes that will affect the 2012 Budget. Mr. Rose will be bringing the 2012 Budget Schedule forward. The Assessor will be adding staff in a revenue neutral way that is expected to generate revenue. Sale tax numbers are improving.

Solid Waste Subcommittee: Ms. Miller reported that she and Mr. Fralick will be hosting a Town Hall meeting on Orcas, October 6, 4-6:00 at the Fire Hall to discuss the Budget and Solid Waste.

Additional Update & Discussion Items:

Ms. Pratt reported that there will be a Town Hall Meeting in Friday Harbor on September 7, 12:00-2:00 pm in the Large Conference Room, Legislative Bldg., to discuss the Wetlands Section of the CAO.

There will also be an Orcas Town Hall Meeting on September 15, 4:00-6:00pm at the Fire Hall to discuss the Wetlands Section of the CAO.

1. Accountability Oversight Committee (AOC) September 16 Agenda Review
Pratt, Peterson

The September 16 Agenda has not yet been released, so Council review has been postponed. Mr. Stephens reminded Council that we want the AOC to endorse the storm water grant application.

2. 2012 Council Priorities

It was agreed that more time was needed for a thorough discussion of Council Priorities. Time will be dedicated on October 10 for this discussion.

3. Report on Ecosystem Coordinating Board (ECB) – Peterson

Mr. Peterson presented his report from the ECB meeting on August 4, 2011. Discussion followed on the purpose of the ECB and its role in the network of the Puget Sound Partnership.

Other Council Updates:

Mr. Stephens reported on two Bureau of Land Management meetings he attended.

Ms. Pratt asked the Council to consider whether or not to post public records requests including the names of citizens requesting the public records and the costs associated with processing the requests. Mr. Rose will contact the Municipal Research and Services Center of Washington (MRSC) for an update.

2:50 PM CLERK UPDATE & ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS:

Ms. Gabriel reminded the Council that the next meeting would be on Monday, September 12 that includes a Workshop on the Six Year Budget Forecast, then a CAO discussion on the Marine Fish and Wildlife Section of the CAO Regulation. The September 13 will be a Special Meeting with an early start at 8:45 am for discussion of Frequently Flooded and GeoHazard Areas Sections of the Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO). Public Hearings are scheduled on September 13, 2011, at 10:15 am.

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

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to reappoint Hawkins Pingree to the Agricultural Resources Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Stephens, seconded by Mr. Rosenfeld, to reappoint Terry Evans to the San Juan County Fair Board. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Moved by Mr. Rosenfeld, seconded by Mr. Peterson, to reappoint Jeremy Talbot to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee. ALL AYES, MOTION CARRIED

Review Agendas:

Mr. Peterson reported that there will be a Wireless meeting continued from the last one on September 19 in the afternoon in the Large Conference Room.

Council Calendar Items:

Ms. Miller requested that the trial video conferencing scheduled for September 20 include the discussion on Redistricting.

3:25 PM

ADJOURN AND SIGN DOCUMENTATON

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These Minutes were approved and signed on September 13, 2011. The original document is retained in the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid Gabriel, Council Clerk.
