



**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL, REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 30, 2024**

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

09:00 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE.

Council Chair Fuller called the meeting to order at 09:00 AM. Present: Council Members Cindy Wolf, Jane Fuller, Christine Minney, Interim County Manager Mark Tompkins, Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers and Aiden Haines, Administrative Coordinator.

Approval of Agenda: MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Minney, to approve the San Juan County Council April 30, 2024 Agenda as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes:

MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Minney, to approve the San Juan County Council March 26, 2024, and April 1, 8, 2024, meeting minutes as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Minney, to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, April 30, 2024, as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Public Comments: Beth Spaulding, Boyd Pratt, Laurie Orton and Karen Vedder provided comments to the Council.

09:17 AM Discussion/Presentation: Trust for Public Lands (TPL) - Results from TPL Survey 30 minutes, David Weinstein – Western Conservation Finance Director of Trust for Public Land.

Mr. Weinstein – Trust for Public Lands and Miranda Everett – FM3 Research gave a presentation to Council and answered their questions.

9:50 AM Discussion/Presentation: First quarter budget review 2024, Natasha Warmenhoven – Auditor & Molly Foote – Budget Analyst.

Ms. Foote gave the presentation to Council and answered their questions.

10:30 AM Discussion/Action: Set a public hearing for Council to approve Public Facilities Financing Assistance Program (PFFAP) awards recommended by PFFAP Advisory Committee, Aiden Haines, Administrative Coordinator.

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Ms. Haines presented the PFFAP awards recommended by PFFAP Advisory Committee and requested to set a public hearing on May 21, 2024, for approval of the awards. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Minney, to set a public hearing for May 21, 2024, to consider approval of the PFFAP awards. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

10:35 AM Discussion/Action: Proclamation - draft for Retirement Celebration Planning for Eric Johnson – Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC), County Council.

Council members Fuller, Minney and Wolf presented the proclamation and expressed their appreciation for Mr. Johnson's service to WSAC.

10:40 AM Discussion/Presentation: 32-hour work week review, Mark Tompkins, Interim County Manager & Brandon Andrews, Assistant Interim County Manager & Parks and Fair Director, and Human Resources.

Mr. Tompkins, Mr. Andrews and Ms. Baird gave the presentation to Council and answered their questions.

11:20 AM Discussion/Action: Land Bank to seek grant funding of \$1.25M from the Salmon Recovery Funding (SRFB) and \$1M from the Aquatic Lands Enhancement Account (ALEA) to pursue a new acquisition on Orcas Island, Lincoln Bormann – Land Bank Director and Erin H

After discussion, Council directed Mr. Bormann to pursue the funding for the grants.

11:40 AM Discussion/Action: Title X Code Changes Traffic & Vehicles, Colin Huntemer, Public Works Director and Mason Wiley – Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Civil/Land Use, 2nd touch and to set a public hearing.

Mr. Huntemer and Mr. Wiley presented the draft ordinances to Council. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Minney, to set a public hearing on June 4, 2024 at 9:15 a.m. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

12:00 PM Recess

1:05 PM Discussion/Action: Noxious Weed Ordinance, Code update, Jason Ontjes, Noxious Weeds Program Coordinator and Mason Wiley - Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Civil/Land Use

After discussion, Council directed Mr. Ontjes to proceed with the draft ordinance for the 2nd touch.

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1:18 PM **Discussion/Action:** 2024 Annual Docket Initial Briefing, Dr. Brooke Sullivan, Planner IV.

Ms. Sullivan briefed Council and answered their questions.

2:00 PM **New Business:**

Ms. Minney:

- Consideration and need to update code of conduct for volunteers,
- Request from Deborah Hoskins – San Juan Island Visitors Bureau for additional LTAC funding.

Ms. Wolf: Was approached by constituents on Orcas Island regarding discharge of firearms and proposed that an initiative or ordinance may be considered.

2:35 PM **Discussion/Action:** Federal FY2025 Appropriations for Ferry Grant Programs Sign-on Letter. Council Chair Fuller.

MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Minney, to sign the letter as a Council as presented. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

2:40 PM **Discussion:** County Manager Recruitment update and schedules, Mark Tompkins – Interim County Manager and Angie Baird – Director of Human Resources.

Mr. Tompkins and Ms. Baird gave an update and schedules to Council and answered their questions regarding the upcoming County Manager interviews.

3:00 PM **COUNCIL, COUNTY MANAGER & CLERK UPDATES:**

Ms. Wolf: To attend meetings coming up: meet with MRC for proposed salmon recovery projects, EcoSystems Board meeting and Puget Sound Partnership Day on the Hill in Washington D.C.

Ms. Minney: Attended the following: Northwest Regional Council Governing Board meeting, Washington State Ferries webinar, WSAC By Laws Committee meeting, and meetings with County staff.

Upcoming: WSAC Conference in Gig Harbor for WSAC Board of Directors & WSAC LSC and a farewell event for Eric Johnson.

Ms. Fuller: Attended the following: 2nd Lopez Island School District Town Hall meeting, Lopez Island Community meeting regarding Sea Level Rise, public infrastructure, and MacKay Harbor Road relocation, PFFAP Committee meeting, Comp Plan kick off meeting with staff and consultant team, Northwest Regional Council Governing Board meeting, interviewed by consultant for Diversity Equity Inclusion and Belonging (DEIB), and North Sound Transportation Alliance meeting.

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Recap of the visit from Governor Inslee’s visit to San Juan Island on Monday, April 29, 2024.
Ms. Wolf and Ms. Minney also gave a recap of their time with Governor Inslee.

Mr. Tompkins: Discussion with Council regarding a regional health officer, and to continue further discussion at a Board of Health meeting and future Council meeting. Public relations for the County Manager went out.

Upcoming: Will be out of the office at the end of the week.

Council Clerk Update: Committee Appointments/Reappointments:

MOVED by Ms. Wolf, seconded by Ms. Minney, to reappoint Kevin Roth, Lynnette Cabrera, and appoint Terri Brown to the Fair Board, to approve reappointment for Kyle Loring and John Aschoff to the San Juan Island Library Board of Trustees as recommended. **ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.** Amended motion by Ms. Minney to enumerate the Fair Board positions, Kevin Roth to be appointed to the At-Large Position# 6, Terri Brown to the Position #8 and Lynette Cabrera to the one-year At-Large position. **ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

3:30 P.M. EXECUTIVE SESSION:

To discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i). Council Chair Fuller excused herself. Vice Chair Minney announced that the Council would be holding an Executive Session to discuss with legal counsel litigation or potential litigation pursuant to RCW 42.30.110(1)(i) estimated to last 30 minutes in total to begin at 3:30 PM and end at 4:00 PM followed by adjournment.

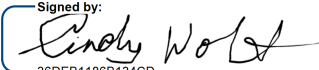
[Present: Council Members Minney and Wolf, (Council Member Fuller excused), Prosecuting Attorney Amy Vira, Interim County Manager Mark Tomkins, Assistant County Manager/Parks & Fair Director Brandon Andrews, and Human Resources Director Angie Baird.]

4:00 ADJOURN

**COUNTY COUNCIL
SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Signed by:

Christine Minney
District 1

Signed by:

Cindy Wolf
District 2

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Signed by:
Jane Fuller
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ATTEST, Clerk to the Council
By: *Sally Rogers* 12/16/2024

Sally Rogers Date:

Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on June 4, 2024.