

CITIZEN'S ADVISORY GROUP ("CAG")
TO
SAN JUAN ISLAND EMS ("SJIEMS")
SAN JUAN COUNTY PUBLIC HOSPITAL DISTRICT #1 ("SJCPHD #1")
SAN JUAN COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #3 ("FD #3")
AND THE TOWN OF FRIDAY HARBOR ("TOWN")

MINUTES
Wednesday February 27, 2019
6:30 pm, 849 Spring Street, Suite B-5

CAG representatives:

Chuck Dalldorf, Town (Chair)
Rick Frazer, at large
George Johnson, SJCPHD #1
Dan Paulson, FD #3
Mark Tompkins, at large (vice chair)

Others Present:

Nathan Butler
SJCPHD #1 Board Recording Sec.

Absent: None

By Phone or teleconference: None

Public Present: Karin Agosta, Anna Lisa Lindstrum, Warren Appleton

Call to Order and Roll Call: Vice Chair Mark Tompkins called the meeting to order at 6:40 pm. as Chair Dalldorf was running late.

Work Session:

The CAG discussed Karin Agosta's review of the current draft report. She interacted with the members in discussing what aspects of the report are working and which need work. The group directed Butler to meet with Agosta next week to discuss the formatting and organization of the report, but not to write. Agosta will also help with copyediting as well.

Following the February 26, 2019 meeting with Catie Holstein, Department of Health, the group decided that it would need to add a chapter on licensing. This will be one of the technical "how-to" chapters similar to the levy, elections, and financial chapters.

Rick Frazer reported that he had a preliminary financial report for the CAG which Butler uploaded to the group's shared folders. Frazer requested some additional information which Johnson agreed to get from the County Auditor.

The group discussed at length how to handle the EMS Building in the event of merger, whether the group should suggest a levy amount for a combined service, what degree of savings a merger would offer, and again how to handle the outer islands. The group agreed that the CAG should avoid saddling the Boards with a specific recommendation for a levy amount, but that the number probably shouldn't be higher than the combined amount of the two agencies. Frazer questioned whether that undermined the rationale for merger; others suggested that while immediate savings may not be apparent, with time the overall levy amount will be less than it would have been.

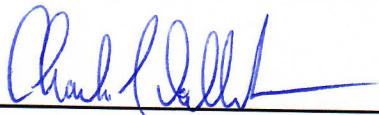
How to form the first chapter ("CAG Recommendation") was discussed. It will include a path, conditions for merger, and details. It will suggest citizen engagement and resolution of a few key issues such as who owns accounts receivable from before the merger.

Butler indicated that there may be some scheduling issues for a combined Board meeting to hear the CAG's recommendation in April. The group agreed to begin scheduling that meeting and Butler will reach out to the various Agencies involved in merger.

Public Comment:

Karin Agosta, Warren Appleton, and Anna Lisa Lindstrum made comments during the meeting.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.



Signed by Chair

3/6/2019

Date

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Attest: Nathan Butler, Board Recording Secretary for SJCPHD #1