

CENTRAL KITSAP COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2008

I. Call to order

President Jon Pearson called to order the regular meeting of the Central Kitsap Community Council at 7:06 p.m. on February 20, 2008 in the Fire & Water District Community Room, Silverdale, Washington.

II. Roll call

Council members introduced themselves. The following members were present: Natalie Bryson, Steven Cook, Sue Fox, Carl Johnson, Tex Lewis, Gary Lindsey, Robert Moyer, Jon Pearson, Richard Shattuck, Carol Smiley, Jerry Van Fossen, Kay Wilson, Roger Zabinski, and Zoe Zadworny. Commissioner Josh Brown attended, also.

III. Approval of minutes from last meeting and adoption of agenda

The minutes from the meeting of January 16, 2008, were approved as presented. The agenda was adopted as presented.

IV. Correspondence/Announcements

- A. **Robert Moyer** noted that there will be a meeting on February 28 at 7:00 PM at the Seabeck Elementary School gym to learn about the School Board's processes for deciding the future of the Elementary School property.
- B. **Jon Pearson** reported on a meeting at Green Mountain Elementary School on February 12, when 100-150 people gathered to hear the State Department of Natural Resources held a meeting to discuss plans and community preferences for the Stavis Natural Resource Conservation Area.

V. Business Meeting

- A. **Jon Pearson** recognized as Central Kitsap Students of the Month Sierra Cook, a senior at Klahowya Secondary School, who has signed a letter of intent to play soccer at Arizona State, and Rebecca Campbell, a junior at Olympic High School, who is one six Kitsap County aerospace students competing for 140 jobs at the Museum of Flight this Summer.
- B. **Eric Baker** (Kitsap County Commissioners' Office) gave a presentation on three topics of current interest.
 - a. **Sewer planning** for the Silverdale and Central Kitsap Urban Growth Areas, for which the Growth Management Hearings Board wanted more detailed planning regarding lift stations and main lines. For the Silverdale UGA, which will have 28 lift stations, 7 miles of force main

and 30 miles of gravity main, the estimated cost is \$110-120M, including Brownsville station upgrades. The estimated cost for the Central Kitsap UGA is similar. A big question is how to pay for this, perhaps through new development of local improvement districts. A presentation by the Wastewater Infrastructure Task Force to the Commissioners is planned for March 10. **Jim Sommerhauser** asked from the audience whether, if bonds were used to finance new sewers and then Silverdale incorporated, the new city would assume the bond obligations. Mr. Baker replied that legal staff was investigating that question.

- b. **Silverdale financial analysis:** This is part of a broader analysis that will cover a number of urban or potentially urban areas in the County that have the potential to become cities in the medium future. The intent is to quantify the costs for transportation improvements, stormwater management, etc. and then analyze the revenues received by the County from each of the areas. The goal is to obtain baseline information on revenues and possibilities in advance of any incorporation attempts. The study should be completed by the end of 2008.
- c. **Waaga Way Extension:** This is a \$13M project to connect Waaga Way with Old Frontier Road. Construction on this 4-lane limited access road is scheduled to begin in the Fall of 2008 and end in 2009. Discussions are ongoing with property owners about connector roads to feed this new connector. This will be only the second new road in the County in the last 20 years.

C. **Mindy Fohn** (Kitsap County Health District) gave an update on the North Dyes Inlet restoration project. This pilot project used State and County funds to attempt to restore the Inlet, which was closed (to shellfish harvesting) by the State in the 1960s. The center section of the Inlet was conditionally opened in 2003 and the southern part in 2007. The focus was on stormwater systems feeding into Clear Creek and the North end of the Inlet. Of the 207 commercial properties with systems, about 30% needed significant maintenance. There was an excellent response from property owners that resulted in a very significant improvement in water quality. Dyes Inlet is the only area in the State to be upgraded while continually urbanizing. The project has been so successful that the Health District has partnered with the County and all of its cities to expand the scope to the entire County, via a grant from the State Department of Ecology.

D. Committee Reports

- a. **Parks and Environment:** **Roger Zabinski** reported that the committee is working to partner with the County Health District to mark storm drains in the area and to arrange tours of the Markwick property and the proposed Newberry Hill Heritage Park. **Sue Fox**

reported on her trip to the legislature to support green issues, including local farms-healthy kids (to raise produce to sell to local schools), climate action and green jobs and local solutions for global warming. She noted the absence of funding for any of these initiatives in this session. **Tex Lewis** noted that there would be a work party at the Markwick property on March 8, led by CKHS kids, and that Earth Day will be April 24. **Josh Brown** noted that the Markwick property recently received a \$340K grant.

- b. **Community & Government Relations:** **Natalie Bryson** reported that the Committee was doing some preliminary work regarding the Community Campus and would have a meeting in early March to review the YMCA project and a possible new Silverdale library. **Josh Brown** noted that a capital request for the YMCA project had been made to the Legislature, but that it did not make the cut for funds this session. Work is being done on a local fundraising capital estimate, with results due by the end of March.
- c. **Transportation:** **Robert Moyer** reported that the Committee had met twice and would focus on three main issues: Community Campus transportation planning, Bucklin Hill Road widening and extension, and a Central Kitsap park-and-ride. **Josh Brown** noted that he would have a meeting on February 22nd with Dick Hayes (Kitsap Transit) to discuss the park-and-ride. **Jerry Van Fossen** raised the possibility of express busses from the park-and-ride to both the Bainbridge Island and Bremerton ferry terminals.

VI. Public Comment

There was no further public comment.

VII. Adjournment

Jon Pearson adjourned the meeting at 9:10 PM.

Minutes submitted by Robert Moyer, Secretary