

DRAFT GHAAC MINUTES
Nov.8, 2011 Greater Hansville Community Center

Welcome and introductions of GHAAC members and Attendance The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair Linda Redling. Present were:

Bob Bennion Coffee Klatch
Gene Borgomainerio Thursday Breakfast Group
Jean Connolly South Hood Canal Drive Neighborhood
Art Ellison Hansville Greenway Association
Judy Foritano Past Chair Emeritus
Donna Grout, Proxy for Point No Point/Hillview Neighborhood
Lynn Hix Hansville Arts Guild
Bonnie Isaacs Cliffside Beach Homeowners
Heidi Kaster Hansville Road Neighborhood
Sandra Larsen The Better Halves
Chris McClellan Hansville Ladies Aid / Cemetery
Fred Nelson Greater Hansville Community Center & Hansville Neighbors
Gary Paulson Norwegian Point Neighborhood
Martha Pendergast Point No Point View Estates Homeowners Association
Linda Redling Finn Creek Agricultural Comm.
Tom Ritley Hood Canal Shores Neighborhood
Valerie Tangen West Twin Spits Neighborhood
Laurie Wiegenstein Admiralty/Twin Spits Neighborhood & N. Driftwood Key/Sterling Highlands
Carol Wood Flotsam and Jetsam Garden Club
Evan Zachary Buck Lake Neighborhood

Redling read the ground rules for GHAAC meetings.
Because Dennis Cziske could not attend, the Chair had e-mailed his report to all members – copy attached hereto.

Guest Speakers

Jeff Shea County – Information regarding speeding and safety devices Driftwood Key area – could not attend. Chair read letter from him re topic – copy attached hereto. Wiegenstein moved and Wood seconded that a letter Wiegenstein had written addressed to Jeff Shea from GHAAC thanking him for his plan to take a comprehensive look at traffic issues in the greater Hansville area be sent – copy attached. It was unanimously approved. Redling has letters from several area residents that will be forwarded to Shea.

John Willett, President of North Kitsap Trails Association spoke on existing and planned trails. Information is available at <http://www.northkitsaptrails.org>. John Kuntz of Olympic Outdoor Center in Port Gamble spoke about the extensive water trails in North Kitsap. Information is available at: <http://www.olympicoutdoorcenter.com/>.

Rebecca Pirtle, Kitsap County Volunteer Coordinator and Scott Diener, Kitsap County Planning Department, spoke to the group about policies and procedures for Advisory

Groups and Commissions. GHAAC members voted unanimously to adopt the Parliamentary Procedures as outlined in the booklet *Kitsap County Board and Commissions Training 2007*. This booklet and other information on advisory groups is available online at http://www.kitsapgov.com/boards/#Community_Advisory_Groups.

Steve Heacock presented copies of the 2011 work plan which was reviewed. In response to questions about status of emergency preparedness he said he would find out more from the county about help with organizing the various neighborhood groups. There was no current information on the Saltwater Parks committee and Redling said she would contact Atkinson to learn status. Zachary reported that cameras have been installed at Norwegian Park due to vandalism there. Heacock also reported that county staff is working on putting online an interactive map that would allow computer users to click on an area of the map and see who their GHAAC representative is. He would like to have ideas for updating the work plan at the January meeting e-mailed to him between now and then.

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting – minutes were approved as corrected. Nelson moved, Ellison seconded, passed with 16 Ayes, 2 Nays, 1 Abstention.

Status of new reps for advertised positions —Rebecca reported that there were a couple of applicants for the Youth representative. Cindy McDermott said that she had been appointed by the church and will be a member once she is approved by the Commissioners.

Term Limits for positions: Redling had e-mailed a list of members showing terms of each. She reviewed the list and explained that groups that have regular meetings will have a representative for one year and less formal groups for two years. The purpose of the system is to prevent having all terms expire at the same time. A representative can be re-elected by their group in which case the rep will be presented to the county for approval for the second term as is done with new reps. Ellison moved and Paulson seconded a motion to accept the terms as listed. It was approved with 17 Ayes and 2 Abstentions. After discussion, Nelson moved and Tangen seconded that these initial terms would be considered to have begun on May 10, 2011 which was the beginning of GHAAC's fiscal year. It passed with 17 Ayes and 2 Abstentions. List attached.

Neighborhood Map updates – Heacock reported that the new maps are almost complete and will be posted on the county website. The map and terms of office will be presented to the Commissioners for approval before the end of the year.

Bennion moved and Paulson seconded that future meetings run from 6:30 to 8:30 pm. It was approved unanimously.

Signs – Redling has asked that the county person responsible for enforcing laws re posting of signs speak to GHAAC in January. Prior to that letters will be sent in support of local groups having the right to post signs for their events. Copies of letters from Dragonfly Farms and Egton Improvement Club are attached hereto.

Public comments: Lois Lee spoke on behalf of herself and Pat and Charles Ricci of their concerns for community members who might be isolated and/or in need. They asked that GHAAC form an ad hoc committee to address the need. A copy of their

request is attached. After discussion on the various groups active in the community it was decided that GHAAC was not the best forum for this. Redling put an article in the December LOG asking people to be aware of needs in their neighborhood or community and reach out to the help that is available.

Announcements: Hansville Art Guild Sale Nov 11 & 12; Ladies Aid tour of Christmas Homes Dec 9.

Next meeting

- Jan.10 2012 6:30 p.m. Greater Hansville Community Center
- Next Guest Speaker will be: Sandra Staples-Bortner Executive Director - Great Peninsula Conservancy will be discussing conservation plans for Pope Resources' lands in North Kitsap. The project is being called The Great Kitsap Forest & Bay Project. A website is being developed.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:10.

Respectfully submitted,

Bonnie Isaacs, Secretary
Nine Attachments

Dennis Cziske

----- Original Message -----

Sent: Wednesday, September 07, 2011 11:15 AM

Subject: Re: GHAAC and our Transortation Future

Hello Friends

The method of funding and other issues, including funding of WSFerries is being worked and decided by a special Task Force convened by our Governor. We have the opportunity to offer suggestions, ideas, needs, concerns to that group. Please see below for the connection and personnel participating. Please feel free to forward this as we all have a vested interest in the out come.

Currently we have no idea what is was discussed or actioned out of the first meeting, the second meeting is coming up on Friday the 9th so it would be good to get your thoughts to them. We can expect new / additional taxes as a result of their actions. If we don't speak out now we will be stuck with what ever they produce.

Note that WSFerries will be addressing the Task Force on the 9th.

The task force's third meeting is Oct.4th.

Below is a list of some of the members. You can make your input at the Task Force page on the Governor's website: <http://www.governor.wa.gov/priorities/transportation/connectwa.asp>

Please let them know if you have any comments or suggestions.

Also please let me know what you are thinking about this as it will make a difference in how I address the Ferry Advisory Committees and WSF.

Dennis Cziske

Member Kingston Ferry Advisory Comitte and
WSFerry Advisory Comitte on Tariffs

Some of the Special Task Force:

Gov. Chris Gregoire, Chair

Bob Adams, Vice President, Guy F. Atkinson Construction

· Rep. Mike Armstrong, Ranking Minority Member, House Transportation Committee

· Leo Bowman, Benton County Commissioner

· Terry Brewer, Executive Director, Grant County Economic Development Council

· Rodney Brown, Board Chair, Washington Environmental Council

· Bill Bryant, Port of Seattle Commissioner

· Rep. Judy Clibborn, Chair, House Transportation Committee

· Richard Ford, Chair, Transportation Commission

· Mike Fredrickson, Port of Walla Walla Commissioner

· Charlotte Garrido, Kitsap County Commissioner

· Paula Hammond, Secretary, Department of Transportation

· Sen. Mary Margaret Haugen, Chair, Senate Transportation Committee

· Fred Jarrett, Deputy King County Executive

· David Johnson, Executive Secretary, Washington State Building and Construction

Trades Council

· Jeff Johnson, President, Washington State Labor Council

· Sen. Curtis King, Ranking Minority Member, Senate Transportation Committee

· Alex McGregor, President, The McGregor Company

- Don Meyer, Port of Tacoma Commissioner
- E. Susan Meyer, CEO, Spokane Transit/Incoming President of the Washington Transit Association
- Kirk Nelson, President and CEO, AAA Washington
- Laura Peterson, Vice President of State and Local Government Relations, Northwest Region, The Boeing Company
- Tom Rasmussen, Seattle City Councilmember
- Paul Roberts, Everett City Councilmember
- Nick Rocchi, Managing Director Pacific Northwest District, Federal Express
- Tim Schauer, Chair-Elect, Greater Vancouver Chamber of Commerce
- Mel Sheldon, Chairman, The Tulalip Tribes
- DeLee Shoemaker, State Government Affairs Director, Microsoft Corporation
- Tom Trulove, Mayor of Cheney
- Stan Vander Pol, President and CEO, Peninsula Truck Lines
- Barbara Wright, Board Member, Transportation Choices Coalition



Kitsap County Department of Public Works

614 Division Street (MS-26), Port Orchard, WA 98386-4699

R. W. Casteel, P.E., Director

October 27, 2011

GHAAC
Hansville, WA

Dear GHAAC Members:

We have done some preliminary traffic studies and talked to a few residents concerning the concerns in the Driftwood Key petition. The speed limit on Hood Canal Drive was set back in 1976. I don't have any background information on why it was set at 30 mph. The resolution (395-1976) simply states the speed limit and the beginning and ending points. That is basically the same for most of the speed limits in the Hansville area, so I couldn't tell you why certain speed limits are what they are.

We recently met with a couple of local residents to discuss installing our rotational speed radar signs at key locations on Hood Canal. We have had good results slowing traffic with the installation of these signs. Unfortunately, these signs are not permanent. We only have 4 signs and many locations, so the signs are rotated to these other locations periodically. We will monitor the effectiveness of these signs when they are in place.

Sight distance at an intersection is measured for both safety and operational distances. For safety the stopping sight distance has to be available to prevent collisions. Operationally we like to have enough sight distance for an entering motorist to feel comfortable pulling out without impeding cross traffic. We looked at both Vista Key intersections and determined that on a safety basis the shortest sight distance recorded looking south at the south Vista Key intersection provided adequate distance for at least 40 mph. We agree it is a little tricky looking between the utility pole and the trees.

I met with Commissioner Gelder and discussed the speed limits and speeding issues in the greater Hansville area. He has asked me to look at taking a comprehensive look at all the traffic issues on the Hansville Rd, Twin Spits Rd, Hood Canal Rd and Little Boston Rd arterial loop. So I am hoping to develop a scope of work that encompasses an analytical look at the speeds, measures already taken, existing speed limits, collision records, and other safety and operational issues.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey W. Shea, PE
County Traffic Engineer

Cc: Jon Brand, PE, Assistant Public Works Director - Roads

November 8, 2011

To: Jeff Shea, PE, County Traffic Engineer, KCPW

Cc: Jon Brand, PE, Assistant Public Works Director – Roads, KCPW
Commissioner Robert Gelder

Thank you for your letter to GHAAC Members dated October 27, 2011.

We support your plan to take a comprehensive look at all the traffic issues in the greater Hansville area. An objective engineering based analysis of the entire arterial loop will best serve our community as a whole. We look forward to hearing about your findings, recommendations, and plans for fixes or improvements in the near future.

Respectfully,

The Greater Hansville Area Advisory Council

Jeff/Linda,

Tina and Rob live diagonally across the road from me on Hood Canal Drive. In addition to their middle school age son they have a younger daughter, around 10 years old. I asked Tina to talk to the other mothers with school age children and put a paragraph together on the subject, rather than me trying to speak for them. The following is their response.

John Remington

Thoughts for John

Date: Thu, 29 Sep 2011 16:08:04 +0000

John,

Here is a statement from Rob and myself for your use.

Our children have had to fear the road on which we live. Routinely trucks and cars fly by at speeds that are approaching double the speed limit. Motorcyclists have been found making the turn at Twin Spits and gunning it on the long straight away of Hood Canal Drive as afternoon fun. We receive little to no law enforcement presence to slow people down. We have witnessed two accidents within 3 houses of our home. The most recent occurred when someone simply did not make the turn and plowed into a parked vehicle. This is **the exact same** location in which the elementary school bus drops off up to 10 children each afternoon. Before that, our neighbors boat (which was sitting alongside of the road) was totaled by a large truck driving too fast by a driver who left the scene.

Please reduce the speed limit and help us before someone gets hurt. We find it unbelievable that the speed along this section of road that contains an extremely high density of homes and driveways is 35 MPH. Comparable streets in the North end are 20 MPH. Comparable 35 mph zones have but 1 or two driveways and pass through Pope and Talbot land. Even the new strip of road between Cliffside and Little Boston is 30 MPH and there are no homes along this section of road.

Everyday day our middle school son walks to one of three bus stops along Hood Canal Drive in Driftwood Key. 13 middle school boys and girls gather at his stop alone. The amount of children in our neighborhood continues to grow. Please help us.

Best Regards,
Tina and Rob Lanfear

Letter regarding concern with new casino construction and traffic

Hi,

I am concerned about the new road allowing casino construction traffic to pull directly out onto the highway, and bypass the turn lane which was built to make the Hansville highway safer. Are other people noticing this? Maybe you could do an article, and give people the names and numbers of county officials to complain to.

Thanks,

Jim Laser

37891 FAWN Rd NE
HANSVILLE, WA. 98340

October 25, 2011

Mr. John Remington
P.O. Box 481
HANSVILLE, WA. 98340

DEAR JOHN,

Each time I pass through the intersection of Vista Key Drive and Hood Canal Dr. from the Driftwood Key Clubhouse without an accident I feel very fortunate. To look south at that intersection my car must be too far into the intersection. I believe that a convex mirror by the stop sign would make this a safer intersection.

Thank you for your concern for everyone's safety.

Sincerely,

William T. Gabe

GHAAC MEMBERS LIST w/TERMS as of 5-10-11

Name	Member	Terms
Admiralty/Twin Spits Neighborhood &	Laurie Wiegenstein	2 Years (12 meetings)
N. Driftwood Key/Sterling Highlands		
The Better Halves	Sandra Larsen	1 year (6 meetings)
Buck Lake Neighborhood	Evan Zachary (Trustee)	2 Years (12 meetings)
Cliffside Beach Homeowners	Bonnie Isaacs (Secretary/Ops Mgr)	1 year (6 meetings)
Coffee Klatch	Bob Bennion	1 year (6 meetings)
Driftwood Key Club	John Remington (Co-Chair)	1 year (6 meetings)
Eglon/Pilot Point	Marion Fuller	1 year (6 meetings)
Finn Creek Agricultural Comm.	Linda Redling (Chair)	2 Years (12 meetings)
Flotsam and Jetsam Garden Club	Carol Wood	1 year (6 meetings)
Foulweather Bluff Neighborhood/Skunk Bay Yacht Club	Valerie Tangen	2 Years (12 meetings)
Greater Hansville Community Center	Fred Nelson	1 year (6 meetings)
Hansville Arts Guild	Lynn Hix	1 year (6 meetings)
Hansville Business Community	Allen Otto	1 year (6 meetings)
Hansville Community Church	Vacant	1 year (6 meetings)
Hansville Greenway Association	Art Ellison	1 year (6 meetings)
Hansville Ladies Aid – Cemetery	Chris McClellan	1 year (6 meetings)
Hansville Neighbors	Fred Nelson	1 year (6 meetings)
Hansville Road Neighborhood	Heidi Kaster (Trustee)	2 Years (12 meetings)
Hood Canal Shores Neighborhood	Tom Ritley	2 Years (12 meetings)
Norwegian Point Neighborhood	Gary Paulson	2 Years (12 meetings)
Old Hansville Highway Neighborhood	Tony Atkinson	2 Years (12 meetings)
Point No Point/Hillview Neighborhood	Judy Roupe	2 Years (12 meetings)
Point No Point View Estates	Martha Pendergast	1 year (6 meetings)
Homeowners Association		
Shoreview Terrace Neighborhood		2 Years (12 meetings)
Shore Woods	Vacant	1 year (6 meetings)
South Hood Canal Drive Neighborhood	Jean Connolly (Trustee)	2 Years (12 meetings)
Thursday Breakfast Group	Gene Borgomainerio	1 year (6 meetings)
Young People	Vacant	1 year (6 meetings)
Past Chair Emeritus	Judy Foritano	2 Years (12 meetings)



November 7, 2011

Dear Members of GHAAC,

As the Eglon Improvement Club Board, we are requesting your assistance with the recent problem we have encountered with the County regarding the posting of our neighborhood events and activity signs. It appears at this time that the Eglon/Hansville Road corner is the only neighborhood in the Greater Hansville Area where signs have been tagged by the County, for removal. To date, the Eglon Community and Dragonfly Farms Nursery signs seem to have been singled out, as other signs continue to be posted. We come to you for assistance because we know that so many organizations and neighborhoods in the Greater Hansville Area rely on these types of signs as a major form of communication, and it appears that we should all be concerned about this issue.

For over 40 years the Eglon signs have been the major way of informing residents of neighborhood events and activities. We feel strongly that these traditional events are paramount to maintaining the unique close-knit community that Eglon is known for. While we have branched out into notices in the Hansville Log, mailing a yearly newsletter and sending occasional e-mail messages to a handful of people, it is the signs that welcome our neighbors, both new and long-standing, to join in the current gatherings. Many of our residents are elderly and/or do not have Internet access, and shifting our reliance to an electronic form of communication would isolate these people.

Our yearly signs are minimal, most only up for a week or less. We have six community meetings, four potlucks, and children activities including the Easter Egg Hunt and Christmas Program. Twice a year we host neighborhood crafters and bakers for a sale, with the proceeds going to our Neighbor-to-Neighbor and Scholarship Funds. Residents also use this form of communication for unscheduled gatherings like memorial services. Although our residents are generous with financial donations, we struggle to keep up with the maintenance needs of the Eglon Schoolhouse, insurance, utility costs, and the minimal costs of the community activities we support. Extensive advertising costs, sign fees, etc., along with the accompanying paperwork would provide a daunting hurdle to maintaining what we currently provide to the community.

As with all of the signs in the Greater Hansville Area, we are also inviting all those who pass by to stop in and join in our traditions. The County's actions against our signs will cause this casual, neighborly type of invitation to come to an end and we fear that the precious "sense of community" we have worked so hard to support will be lost. It is hard to fathom that the Kitsap County Community Development department randomly enforces codes that can devastate a small community, especially one that has been historically strong and enduring since its beginnings in the late 1800s.

We have been told that in the entire County, only three groups have been targeted with the new enforcement of the County Sign Code. We challenge you to count "suspect sandwich type signs" on your way into Kingstons. On one residents' drive, the total was 21. Now take a look as you drive all over the County. In view of what we know is out there, the County's action towards our small community feels a bit like harassment.

We certainly value the strength of your organization and would appreciate any suggestions or actions you may decide on.

Sincerely,

The Eglon Improvement Club Board
Timothy Holbrook, President
Jacqueline Holbrook, Vice-President Events & Activities
Sherry Cordiner, Secretary
Pat DuVall, Treasurer
Dana Dukes, Gene DuVall, Kinley Deller; Board Members

November 8, 2011

To Kitsap county and whom it may concern,

I own a small business located in North Kitsap county growing and selling plants. I have been in business since 1998. My nursery and landscaping business is my sole income. My business is seasonal open March through October and 4 days a week. On the other days I deliver plants and landscape other gardens. Being a small nursery located off a fast moving road it is important for people to find me by signage. I have had a sign on the corner of Eglon and Little Boston rd for 10 years until someone stole 5 of my signs and then complained on my sign. I was then fined and had to go to court twice to be told there are no signs allowed in Kitsap County. If anyone driving around sees all the signs we know the county hasn't been consistently enforcing the rules. I was told by the county that the code was being worked on and that code enforcement was to wait on warnings until it was worked out. I have a letter from a lady who complained on a sign in her neighborhood and she was told the code was being worked on and nothing was being done. So I put my sign out. My sign was turned over along with Eglon Community Center's sign with a warning to remove our signs or we will be ticketed. A public records request indicated that the only tickets handed out in Kitsap County were to Dragonfly and the naked barista stand in Port Orchard.

There have complaints on other signs and nothing has been done. I have a written document from a lady who complained on a sign and she was told by the county that no enforcement was being done at the time.

I was told by the county since I am a farm I can have 4 signs out on my property. I had a lawyer draw up a lease agreement with the county to rent the corner horse pasture of Eglon and Hansville rd. I paid 427.00 for a permit and it was approved then rescinded saying that I wasn't growing anything there. I told them I was going to and they still said no and now won't give me my money back either. The county needs to be consistent. If no signs are allowed for one then none are allowed for all. I get a different answer from each person I talk to in the county and even within the DCD department.

I am a small business owner who is paying taxes for the salaries of the code enforcement officers. If the county is financial trouble now, without my revenue and other small business owners, they are in even larger trouble. I am a responsible sign owner. I put out my signs in the morning and pick them up at night, unlike all the political signs and garage sale signs cluttering the road.

I think the county should allow small businesses to advertise and try to support ourselves with signage. There are bigger problems they should be worrying about rather than our sandwich boards.

Sincerely Heidi and Dragonfly Farms Nursery
GHAAC board of trustee member.

Appeal to the Community

Regarding Isolating Individuals

November 6, 2011

By Lois Lee

This appeal is made to GHAAC as it is the most representative of the entire community of Greater Hansville.

There are some individuals in the community, mostly very elderly, who are tending more and more as they age, to isolate themselves from others. Some are ill perhaps terminally, others are simply lonely. Some have no family or friends and may have lost their spouse. While I believe we must respect their wishes even for isolation, I also believe that most would welcome some sort of outreach by a caring individual. While there are many community opportunities for contact and activity, these individuals have either chosen or by circumstances may feel forced into being alone.

I propose that as a community we outreach to these folks especially now in this season when there is lots of rain and gloom, where the holidays have traditionally been full of contact but now are blatantly lonely for them and when depression and even suicide are the most prevalent in all the year.

Specifically, I propose that

- 1) GHAAC take the initiative to appoint a chair for an ad hoc committee to organize this outreach

- 2) The Committee write letters to the community organizations asking them to do this outreach to their members and families and anyone that they can identify who may have such a need
- 3) The Committee also outreach via their neighborhood representatives to identify and outreach to such persons in their neighborhood that they assess may need such contact
- 4) The Committee make an effort to identify gaps where such persons could fall through the crack and problem solve on how to outreach to those persons who would otherwise be left out
- 5) The committee form a telephone tree to make such outreach on a periodic basis (to be determined by the ad hoc committee)
- 6) The committee determine if community education is needed about elderly care and options for these persons and if so find a forum to disseminate that education
- 7) And finally the committee conduct an informal study of the efficacy of this outreach, and make a commitment to continue the program if it is deemed successful.