

KINGSTON CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
August 4, 2010

Present

Greg Platz, Co-Chair, School Parent
Tom Waggoner, Kingston Chamber of Commerce
Rick Jones, North Kitsap School District
Steve Heacock, Carpenter Lake/Creek
Walt Elliott, Parks Trails & Open Space and WSF Advisory subcommittees
Jan Richards, Friends of the Kingston Library
Annie Humiston, At Large, Roads Subcommittee
Dave Wetter, Village Green
Clint Boxman, Kingston-North Kitsap Rotary
Mary Ann Harris, Kingston Garden Club
Betsy Cooper, Member At Large
Alex Thomsen, Kingston Kiwanis

Excused

Liz Henden, Kingston Farmer's Market
Nancy Martin, Downtown Business Association
Denise Lietz, Co-Chair, Member At Large
Naomi Maasberg, Member at Large

Not Present

Rick Lanning, Kingston Stakeholders

Kitsap County Representatives

Rebecca Pirtle, Commissioner Bauer's office
Jeff Smith, DCD
Greg Cioc, Public Works
Chris May, Public Works, Surface and Stormwater Management
Jeff Shea – Kitsap Cty Traffic
Larry Keaton – DCD

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

Introductions were made.

Minutes

The June 2010 minutes were approved. MSP

Correspondence: Correspondence was received from Jan Koske at Kitsap County regarding the official appointment of Dr. Rick Jones to KCAC as the North Kitsap Schools representative.

Special County Report:

SR 104 Sidewalk Project, presented by Greg Cioc: Kitsap County Public Works is going after a grant to install a sidewalk along Kola Kola Park, from Oak Table to West Kingston Road. It is a \$200,000 grant with a requirement for an equal match from the County. The project is in the State right of way on Highway 104. The traffic lane would stay the same, then a 5' shoulder, with a vertical curb to the sidewalk.

There is a possibility of adding lighting to the project. They might also add a rain garden to the part in front of the school.

A question was raised about current stormwater run-off. There is an existing ditch that runs into a catch basin. The rain garden could help with part of this run-off.

A concern raised over width of the paved shoulder and whether it would still be used for ferry traffic. The planned 5' paved shoulder will be too narrow for vehicle traffic.

Regarding the timeline, Public Works has already applied for the grant and should know in November. Construction would probably be in 2012 because of the State's review for right-away.

The general consensus was positive from KCAC.

Credit was also given to Laurie Lawson for spear-heading this idea.

Stormwater Update, presented by Chris May: DCD asked Stormwater to get involved in the Master Plan process. They are looking at a retro-fit of Kingston stormwater systems in some areas.

They are currently looking for a consultant to help with process and want KCAC representatives to help with selection and once research work begins. The job is to interface with master plan and community to find opportunities to retro-fit with Low Impact Development stormwater solutions.

The big concern in Kingston is primarily water quality, as the volume issue is dealt with the outflow going into Puget Sound.

They are looking at area that is bigger than Master Plan area in order to deal with stormwater issues/drainage area.

They do have to work with WADOT to make sure they don't over-capacity their pipe. Also interface with Port of Kingston, as it is the lowest piece of property in area.

The end result is to come up with ideas that fit with streetscapes and decide on 5 – 10 pilot projects.

This stormwater work (consultant) will be done next year, and will hopefully fold into the Master Plan. Actual construction is dependent on grant money, availability of Public Works to do some of the work on their own, and the rest would be put in to Capital Improvement Plan.

Code Review, Jeff Smith, DCD: Taking over for Peter Sullivan as our KCAC liaison.

Downtown Kingston Master Plan: DCD and the Sub-committee met twice to review the use table. It was reported by both sides that good progress was made. The goal is to get the Downtown Kingston Master Plan Use Tables document to KCAC in September.

Parking Analysis: DCD is working on this by using the buildable land analysis to figure out possible parking demand. This data will be compared to Edmonds and Winslow. They want to figure out what the parking requirements will be in Kingston with a 20 year build out. KCAC voiced concern about using current county standards for Kingston. The project is about 90% done.

Notification process on permits: Kitsap County GIS department is putting together a program to send copies of permits based on sub-areas. Walt Elliott suggested using email with a hyper-link.

County report: : The dead trees along Kola Kole Park were removed.

Subcommittee Reports:

Parks & Open Space – report provided by Walt Elliott

Bridge Material

The Port of Kingston has donated its' used 60' gangways for bridges on trails. They are being stored at the county lay-down area by Norman and West Kingston Rd.

Heritage Park

The south entry connector from White Horse has been graveled in thanks to the work of many volunteers and Rick Lanning unique machinery.

Aspect Consulting will be doing a major trail project in the park on Aug 27th, for their company picnic.

Friday, 8/6/10, there will be a Kingston-Indianola bike ride through the Heritage Park. Meet at the Kingston Marina at noon. Moderate difficulty; cross bikes or mountain bikes needed. Point of contact: Carolina Veenstra 297-2059. Paddle Kitsap paddlers will spend this Saturday night in Kingston and paddle on to Poulsbo Sunday morning.

Village Green

Turn in your voter ballots by Tuesday August 17th. Cling-on car stickers are available from Bobbie Moore.

4th Ave/PUD trails connection

A connection from the 4th Ave trail to the P.U.D. has been opened between Illinois and Pennsylvania Avenues

WSF Committee – provided by Walt Elliott

On time Performance

WSF will be doing an analysis of OTP and traffic back-up in September. From the data

to date, assuming that time performance (OTP) is approximately 95% on time. Here's the comparison between last year's performance and this year's

2009 OTP: 5 minute or less = 12.5% on time 10 minute or less = 21% on time

2010 OTP: 5 minute or less = 27% on time (14.5% improvement); 10 minute or less = 48% on time (27% improvement)

It looks like the boats pretty much run on time in the morning then start to fall off schedule after the 9:40 AM boat. Schedule performance remains so-so performance until about 3:30 PM when it starts to fall start to fall way off with the 6:15 boat rarely being on time. Ferries don't recover schedule performance until about 8:30PM. I'll be getting more detailed data at the end of the week and will e-mail out an analysis.

Traffic handling

Christine Rolfes held a meeting with WSDOT, WSF, WSP, and the City of Edmonds concerning the traffic problems at the ferry traffic dock. The group decided to:

1. The WSDOT will grind down ridge at the RR tracks. A permanent fix will come when the second Sound Transit track is put in but the timeframe of this is uncertain. Probably in a few years.
2. WSF/WSDOT will look into Main/Sunset intersection traffic light controls that would facilitate traffic flow.
3. WSF will work with Edmonds on a means to bring the upper holding lot traffic down in a more continuous block as opposed to a frequently interrupted stream.
4. The city and WSF/WSDOT will look into better and safer ways to handle pedestrian traffic at the intersections.
5. WSF will collect on-time performance data to assess the effectiveness of the schedule and pinpoint when there are remaining on-time schedule problems.

Rider Survey

The Transportation Commission is running rider surveys to test the waters on fare initiatives. This includes fuel surcharges, peak hour pricing reservations and other matters affecting riders. To participate go to the Transportation Commission website and sign up for the F.R.O.G. It's important!

After Walt's report there was a discussion on ferry on-time performance. The feeling is that no boats are running on time in the evening. An idea of a public meeting with ferries was offered to be held in September.

Walt stated there may also be a tweak to the Kingston-Edmonds sailing schedule in the fall.

Roads – County is out striping, mowing and clearing ditches. Concerns raised over South Kingston Rd from Whitehorse to Indianola and the curve on South Kingston Rd at Arness Park.

Communications Committee-

No report.

Downtown Kingston Master Plan – 7 members of the subcommittee met and review all the County comments on the proposed changes to the Urban Village Center (UVC) zone. Subsequently, we held two working meetings with the planners at the DCD

offices to reconcile comments from the County and our Subcommittee. There is just a small amount of additional work to be done and then County Staff will review the results with their management before the document goes to the public.

Community Reports

Kiwanis – Berry sales are complete. Mustang ticket sales are still going until Labor Day.

Village Green- Village Green foundation supporters rallied again at the second annual “Pie in the Park”, raising \$ 5,800, some of which will be used to defray park watering costs now shouldered by the Foundation. County staff are working on ways to allow the Foundation to avail themselves of the dollars from the RCO that are committed to the Village Green, so that the Foundation can move ahead with the remaining Architectural and Engineering work. Ongoing fundraising efforts are quietly beginning with private foundations through grant writers and individuals through the Boys & Girls Club of Snohomish County, which is sponsoring a “capital campaign feasibility study. Nick Jewett has stepped in as Executive Director for the duration of the MPD campaign, now in its final two weeks.

Friends of Library – Possibly most successful book sale last month.

Downtown Kingston Association- Four of the eight concerts have occurred. Attendance is great.

Rotary- The beer garden at Kingston concert series is going well. Fun run at 4th of July was a success, part of money raised was donated to KHS Track and X-country.

Schools- First day of school is September 1. School district is looking to fill citizen committees, including pool, budget and facilities.

Chamber of Commerce- Membership is growing. Large increase in calls from people interested in Kingston.

Carpenter Lake/Creek- bridge project is moving along through County system, expecting bid to happen over the winter.

Stakeholders: Kingston Stakeholders recently completed a Kingston Directory kiosk on the corner of Highway 104 and Ohio Ave. We really appreciated the generous contributions to the project from:

Kingston Lumber – for all the building material.

Kurpgewit Brothers – for the concrete work.

Northwest Millwork – for the architectural corbels.

S & J graphics – for the graphic work.

Labor – Sound Stone Works and Stakeholder volunteers

Kingston Farmers Market- No report

Garden club: Very successful plant sale in May, to raise money for grants and scholarships.

New Business-

The secretary position is open. Please contact Greg for information.

Maine Street partial vacation application, presented by Dave Wetter. This road vacation was reviewed by trails committee. Motion and second made to endorse application. All discussion was for the motion. The vote was unanimous in favor of supporting the application.

General announcements: There are lots of unnamed volunteers in the Kingston area. Ideas on how to recognize these folks are wanted.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm.

Next meeting: September 1, 2010.