

# **KINGSTON CITIZEN ADVISORY COUNCIL AGENDA**

February 3, 2010  
7:00 PM – 9:00 PM

## **MEETING LOCATION:**

**North Kitsap Fire & Rescue Headquarters on Miller Bay Road**

- 7:00      **INTRODUCTORY ITEMS**  
            Opening Comments  
            Introductions  
            Review/Approve Minutes  
            Correspondence
- 7:15      **COUNTY REPORT-**  
            Joanna Myers, Kitsap County DCD
- 7:15      **FEATURED SPEAKER –**  
            Brian Maule  
            U.S. Census Coordinator for Kitsap and Jefferson Counties
- 8:15      **KCAC SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS**  
            Parks & Open Space Committee – Walt Elliott  
            WSF Committee – Walt Elliott  
            Roads – Annie Humiston  
            Communication Committee- Greg Platz  
            Downtown Kingston Master Plan – Alex Thomsen, Rick Lanning
- 8:30      **COMMUNITY REPORTS**  
            Kiwanis – Alex Thomsen  
            Kingston Garden Club/Downtown Kingston Association – Nancy Martin  
            Rotary Club – Clint Boxman  
            Friends of the Library – Jan Richards  
            Schools Update –  
            Chamber Of Commerce – Tom Waggoner  
            Carpenter Lake/Creek – Steve Heacock  
            Kingston Stakeholders – Rick Lanning  
            Kingston Farmer’s Market – Liz Henden
- 8:45      **NEW BUSINESS**
- 8:50      **OPEN COMMENT PERIOD/GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**
- 9:00      **ADJOURN**

**\*\*\* Next Meeting, Wednesday, March 3, 2010 \*\*\***

**KINGSTON CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL**  
**Meeting Summary**  
**February 3, 2010**

**Present**

Greg Platz, Co-Chair, School Parent  
Denise Lietz, Co-Chair, Member At Large  
Steve Heacock, Carpenter Lake/Creek  
Walt Elliott, Parks Trails & Open Space and WSF Advisory subcommittees  
Liz Henden, Farmers Market  
Alex Thomsen, Kingston Kiwanis  
Rick Lanning, Kingston Stakeholders  
Annie Humiston, At Large, Roads Subcommittee  
Jan Richards, Friends of the Kingston Library  
Naomi Maasberg, Member at Large  
Tom Waggoner, Kingston Chamber of Commerce  
Nancy Martin, Kingston Garden Club and Downtown Business Association  
Dave Wetter, Village Green

**Excused**

Betsy Cooper, Member At Large  
Chris Case, North Kitsap School District  
Clint Boxman, Kingston-North Kitsap Rotary

**Kitsap County Representative**

Pete Sullivan, Associate Planner, Department of Community Development

*Meeting called to order at 7 p.m.*

**Minutes**

The January 2010 minutes were approved as submitted, MSP.

**Circulate summary notice to group to approve minutes from communication committee**

**Featured Speaker:**

Brian Maule, U.S. Census Bureau  
Mr. Maule gave a very thorough and interesting history of the US Census. Mr. Maule noted the Kingston had a very low count rate in the 2000 census and asked for the help of Kingston residents to be sure and spread the word of how important the Census is. It is mandated by the United States Constitution that there be a count of all people residing in the United States every 10 years. This is called a decennial census. Without accurate counts, states, counties, cities, etc can lose tax dollars that are allocated by

population.

This year's census will be a very short form. Ten questions will be sent in paper form to all homes. Those with PO Boxes or Rural Routes will be hand delivered by Census workers to individual homes.

The sole purpose is to count how many people reside in the US regardless of citizenship, age, or race. NO identity information gathered by the US Census is available to other government agencies.

In conclusion, please note three things about the Census:

It's Easy, Safe and Important (because it's the CORE of our democracy.)

### **County report**

Joanna Meyer, Kitsap County DCD Intern

Joanna is doing a project that revolves around Carpenter Creek and Apple Tree Cove. She is creating an online application that is geared toward building community by looking at the past, specifically the Carpenter Creek watershed, what has happened in the past, how has it affected the land, the people and the community. This tool will connect people to place and help to restore local knowledge. Hopefully by relating what has happened in the past, we can help restore the future. She is looking for old photos, maps and contacts with the people who may have memories of the past to be interviewed. She will need volunteers. This interactive tool will be found on the Habitat Work Schedule.

Rebecca Pirtle of Steve Bauer's office reports that she and Steve will alternate coming to KCAC meetings.

There was discussion about county reporting and that it is insufficient. It was noted that the county quarterly report should have information people need but is often incomplete. The county can only afford to put out the report quarterly. Steve Heacock suggested it may be possible to notify the co-chairs of impending major projects (notice of applications) through the already present email notifications.

### **Subcommittee Reports**

**Parks & Open Space** – Walt Elliott reported:

Heritage Park: The kiosk has been installed at the trailhead and the parks trails have been remarked. There is a plan to put more gravel in the parking area soon.

Village Green: The park sign was installed this week. Please sign the MPD petition!

Quiet Place: The sign was taken. Anyone with any idea about its whereabouts, please let Walt know.

**WSF Committee** – Elliott reported the following:

Legislation: House Bill 2816, is a bill to support funding for the construction of ferry vessels by taxing refined oil products leaving the state of WA. It reduces the "exemption" on these products from 37 cents/gallon to 35 cents/gallon. If it passes it will fund replacement of the ferry fleet.

Schedule: Ferries under a lot of pressure to improve Kingston/Edmonds schedule performance. They want to do this by leaving earlier in the morning and by stretching

out the afternoon/evening departures. This would affect riders and we have a lower impact alternative and measures to reduce terminal turnaround times. The FAC is planning to hold a public meeting February 18 at 6:30 pm. Anyone with ideas on how to improve turnaround times, please contact Walt Elliott.

Other: One complaint received regarding placement of pink bag dispensers. If you think this is a concern, please contact Walt.

**Roads** – Annie Humiston said we really need to look at paved shoulders and that she is checking on West Kingston Rd. She reported that three landscape companies have committed to empty the new trash downtown trash compactors and that one more company is still needed to share the load.

### **Downtown Master Plan –**

Rick Lanning reported that several meetings are scheduled with the county.

February 10: Large meeting within the county to iron out issues with DCD.

February 16: Meeting with Public Works.

March 2: Meeting at the commissioner's office with small group to discuss plan.

### **Communications Committee-**

Greg Platz reports that the committee has revised the Kingston Open House to be once every 18 months instead of once a year. They hope to attract a larger audience by having it in the fall. It was discussed that KCAC should still be open to having it annually but maybe October would be a better time of year. Platz also reported that Commissioner Steve Bauer and Jon Rose of OPG will be at the March meeting.

### **Community Reports**

**Kiwanis** – Alex Thomsen said the group is co-sponsoring a Valentine event to benefit The Boys & Girls Club of Kingston Middle School. Only a few tickets left!  
Third annual March Mayhem & Madness will happen again this spring.

**Friends of Library** – Jan Richards reported that the book sale on January 23 was a success. The next sale will be in April.

**Downtown Kingston Association-** Nancy Martin reported that Kites over Kingston will happen this year on April 16. The "Big Bellies" are solar powered trash compactors that will be strategically placed around town.

**Rotary-** Will have a team visiting from another country again this year. They don't know from where yet.

**Schools-** Get your ballots in the mail!

**Chamber of Commerce-** Tom Waggoner reports that the Chamber will be presenting for the Lodging Allocation Tax on February 9. There will be a February "After Hours" on February 11, 5pm -7pm at Little City Catering.

**Carpenter Lake/Creek-** Steve Heacock said that there has been continued vandalism at the boardwalk. Steve and Naomi Maasberg spoke about the Carpenter Creek Estuary Restoration Project that is in the proposed Governor's budget. Naomi asked letters to be written to local and other WA state representatives regarding the passing of this capital budget item. They reminded the group that the project is "Shovel Ready" and will create 124 jobs.

**Kingston Farmers Market-** Liz Henden says there is a lot of excitement these days about "Buy Local." There are not a lot of vendors signed up for the market yet. There will be some great promos this year.

**Village Green** – Dave Wetter reported the following:

- A handsome sign was put up on February 2.
- Site plan: We held a pre-application meeting with County department representatives 1/26/10. There are some manageable issues to resolve en route to getting permits.
- A capital request has been made for \$250,000 to both house of the state legislature and several of the committee travelled to Olympia to meet with the capital budget chair of each side of the legislature. Our delegation, in addition to the Boar of County Commissioners, has endorsed our capital request. The chair of the Senate capital budget committee was especially impressed that we were conducting an MPD petition campaign.
- We are submitting federal appropriation requests next week. For both the state and the federal requests, we identified discrete next steps that can be taken in 2010 to use whole or partial awards of the requested amounts.
- MPD: We have 804 signatures turned in to us as of February 1, with 340 to go. The door-to-door work has been very fruitful and the response to the request for signatures overwhelmingly positive. To meet our preferred goal of completing the petition campaign by 2/16, we want to increase:
  - The number of petition sheets being circulated. Please take a clipboard around to friends and neighbors who haven't yet signed.
  - The number of volunteers helping with door-to-door canvassing. Saturday, 2/6, 3pm-5pm will be an all out canvassing. Contact Bobbie Moore to volunteer.

New Business

Open Comment period:

Lacey from the new bakery in Kingston: The Borrowed Kitchen Bakery distributed scones and talked about this new business started by Nicole Matheson of Miracle Morsels. It is a bakers co-op and will be offering baked goods by several bakers. It is located in the Kingston Hotel building.

There will be a development hearing for Arborwood before the Board of County Commissioners on February 8,2010.

North Kitsap Trails Association needs to vet with community groups.

Meeting Adjourned.