

KINGSTON CITIZENS ADVISORY COUNCIL

Summary

January 6, 2010 Meeting

Present

Greg Platz, Co-Chair, School Parent
Steve Heacock, Carpenter Lake/Creek
Walt Elliott, Parks Trails & Open Space and WSF Advisory subcommittees
Alex Thomsen, Kingston Kiwanis
Rick Lanning, Kingston Stakeholders
Tom Waggoner, Kingston Chamber of Commerce
Nancy Martin, Kingston Garden Club and Downtown Business Association
Betsy Cooper, Member At Large
Naomi Maasberg, Member At Large

Excused

Denise Lietz, Co-Chair, Member At Large
Jan Richards, Friends of the Kingston Library
Liz Henden, Farmers Market
Chris Case, North Kitsap School District
Annie Humiston, At Large, Roads Subcommittee
Clint Boxman, Kingston-North Kitsap Rotary

Non-voting member

Dave Wetter, Village Green (awaiting county approval of appointment)
MaryAnn Harris, Kingston Garden Club (awaiting county approval of appointment)

Kitsap County Representative

Pete Sullivan, Associate Planner, Department of Community Development

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m.

Minutes

The December minutes were approved with the amendment that the Downtown Kingston Master Plan was partially approved by county commissioners, MSP.

Correspondence

Co-Chair Greg Platz said that Mary Kulish was resigning as KCAC after tonight's meeting and encouraged members to pass the word and contact him if they know of anyone willing to fill the position.

Platz announced that new members MaryAnn Harris, who will be representing the Kingston Garden Club, and Dave Wetter, the Village Green representative, are sitting with council members and can participate in discussions but cannot not vote as their membership is pending County approval of the group's updated bylaws. The change in bylaws added the Village Green seat and a seat for the Downtown Kingston

Association (a seat that will be filled by Nancy Martin who had been representing the garden club).

Featured Speaker: Kitsap County District 1 Commissioner Steve Bauer

Bauer first addressed the issue of the ferry reservation system, which has been delayed for Kingston until at least 2015 while it is tried more extensively in the San Juan Islands. He said that regardless of the state's decision regarding the reservation system for Kingston he got the state to agree to keep the local advisory group active and informed.

Regarding the Kingston Downtown Master Plan, Bauer said he realizes it was a big effort on everyone's part to create the plan and understands people's frustration when the plan got to the county commissioners and it didn't pass muster.

The commissioner expressed three points of concern about the plan: that all the community know about it and embrace it, that a structure for installing and paying for any necessary stormwater system changes or upgrades be established, and that a district-wide solution to parking be addressed.

KCAC members and audience members shared their thoughts and feelings about the process by which the Downtown Kingston Master Plan was created, the resources available, and the results.

Bauer, the KCAC board, and the Kingston Downtown Master Plan committee members agreed to meet before the Feb. 3 KCAC meeting to begin to iron out the issues that forestalled complete approval of the plan.

County Report

Pete Sullivan, Associate Planner, Department of Community Development, said that the Board of County Commissioners is slated review the Hearing Examiner's recommendation to approve the Arborwood development agreement on Jan. 25. He noted that it was not a hearing.

He said the county's Transportation Improvement Plan was approved; it includes the construction of the Miller Bay Road Bike Trail.

He said the U.S. Census is coming up and that a lot of money is potentially at stake for Kitsap County. He said about \$1,400 a person is allocated for each person counted. He encouraged people to fill out their forms and mail them in from their Kitsap residence, if that is their primary address.

(Sullivan's written report is attached at the end of these minutes.)

Old Business

KCAC 2010 Goals & 2009 Accomplishments document review/approval. (The entire document is attached at the end of these minutes.)

Platz said that the document is similar in scope to what the advisory council submitted last year.

KCAC member Walt Elliott said that the group's work toward the development of The Village Green Park should be included in accomplishments.

Betsy Cooper asked about the omission of the annual open house event. Platz said that there is a question about it so he and his co-chair Denise Lietz decided to leave it off the list.

Hearing no other comments, Platz said he would update the document and submit it along with estimated volunteer hours to the county.

Subcommittee Reports

Parks & Open Space Committee – Elliott, whose written report is attached at the end of this document, announced that Heritage Park is now officially open. Platz said that there is going to be a 5K/10K run at the park at 7:30 a.m. Sunday to mark its opening and to benefit ShareNet Food Bank.

WSF Committee – Elliott, whose written report is attached at the end of this document, reiterated that the reservation system initially slated for Kingston has been postponed until 2015. He encouraged people to write to and speak with their legislators about the fuel surcharge that is to be levied on ferry users.

Communication Committee – Platz invited everyone to attend the next meeting, which will be held prior to the Feb. 3 KCAC meeting.

Community Reports

Downtown Kingston Association – Martin said the second annual Kites Over Kingston is being planned and that there will be two months of summer concerts at the marina this summer.

Chamber Of Commerce – Tom Waggoner said that Dan Martin is the new president.

Carpenter Lake/Creek – Steve Heacock said that the \$2.7 million Carpenter Creek Bridge project (on South Kingston Road) is now in the governor's budget.

Village Green Foundation – Wetter said that the group needs help gathering signatures to get the issue of creating a Metropolitan Park District on the ballot. So far, he said, about 300 signatures have been collected and 1,500 are needed. Wetter said the group would be making a presentation to staffers from the offices of Congressmen Jay Inslee and Norm Dicks at 10 a.m. Jan. 15 in the Kingston Community Center.

Garden Club – Harris said members are potting plants for the May sale.

New Business

Platz again made the call for a new secretary to record KCAC meeting minutes.

Open Comments

Elliott said that there was going to be a special fundraiser for the Kingston Boys and Girls Club on Valentine's Day. He said that there would be a special showing of a romantic movie with beverages and light food to be served.

Meeting adjourned at 8:50 p.m.



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NORTH COMMISSIONER DISTRICT
QUARTERLY UPDATE – January 2010**

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No Report

KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
POLICY & PLANNING-CURRENT

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ARBORWOOD PRELIMINARY PLAT/PERFORMANCE BASED DEVELOPMENT

The Arborwood PBD went to hearing on September 10, 2009 and the Developers Agreement was heard by the Hearing Examiner on October 8, 2009. The hearing examiner will have a decision on the PBD within the next few weeks. Also within this timeframe the HE will be submitting a recommendation to the Board of County Commissioners regarding the Developers Agreement for the long term buildout of Arborwood. (Dennis Oost, Senior Planner; 360-337-5777) doost@co.kitsap.wa.us

Update: The Hearing examiner recommended approval for the Preliminary Plat PBD and a recommendation for approval of the Developers Agreement which is coming before the Board in January 2010.

KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
POLICY & PLANNING-LONG RANGE

RURAL WOODED INCENTIVE PROGRAM: Staff is researching and collecting public comment regarding the Rural Wooded Incentive Program. A series of public outreach meetings will be held in all three Commissioner Districts in early 2010 to discuss the Rural Element of the Kitsap County Comprehensive Plan. Please continue to check the DCD website for up-to-date information. (Katrina N. Knutson, Senior Planner; 360-337-5777). kknutson@co.kitsap.wa.us

LEGACY LOTS AND BOUNDARY LOT ADJUSTMENT: Legacy lot and boundary line adjustment regulations will be addressed in the 2010 Kitsap County Code Title 16 'Land Division and Development' code revisions. (Katrina N. Knutson, Senior Planner; 360-337-5777) kknutson@co.kitsap.wa.us

GREATER HANSVILLE COMMUNITY PLAN:

The Board of County Commissioners approved the Greater Hansville Community Plan on December 14. Final draft available here:

http://www.kitsapgov.com/dcd/community_plan/Citizen%20Advisory%20Committee/GH AAC/ghaac%20community%20plan/preliminary%20draft%20plan/ghaac_preliminary_comm_plan.htm

Next steps could include a Work Program identifying and prioritizing capital projects; code and procedural revisions; and programs and research. DCD will not be facilitating this effort in 2010, but the Greater Hansville Area Advisory Council (GHAAC) may choose to begin initial information-gathering in the coming year. Please contact your GHAAC representative to learn more. Contact e-mails are available at www.hansville.org under the 'GHAAC' tab.

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DOWNTOWN KINGSTON MASTER PLAN:

A portion of the proposed plan was approved by the Board of County Commissioners on December 14, with remaining items scheduled for further development in 2010.

Approved portions include an expanded Urban Village Center (UVC) zoning boundary in downtown. Other proposed zoning code changes (e.g. parking, allowed uses) have been deferred to 2010 for further review. Commissioner Bauer will attend the January 6 Kingston Citizen Advisory Council (KCAC) meeting (7PM, North Kitsap Fire and Rescue) to discuss the scope of work for 2010. (Pete Sullivan, Associate Planner, (360) 337-5777; psulliva@co.kitsap.wa.us)

COUNTYWIDE RE-ZONES (SITE SPECIFIC COMPREHENSIVE PLAN AMENDMENTS):

In 2009 DCD processed 18 petitions for site specific comprehensive plan amendments and/or re-zones. 10 proposals were deferred to 2010 to be considered in alongside development of new rural commercial and industrial zoning designations.

The remaining eight proposals were presented to the Board of County Commissioners on December 14. A matrix summarizing the request, location, and BOCC decision for each application is posted here:

http://www.kitsapgov.com/dcd/community_plan/community_plan.htm

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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION/PROJECTS:

DCD's Community Planning docket was approved on December 14. The docket specifies work activities for 2010, and is available at:

http://www.kitsapgov.com/dcd/community_plan/community_plan.htm

CAC SUPPORT: Staff is providing regular support to various citizen advisory committees/councils (CACs). The KCAC Secretary position is currently vacant. Contact Pete Sullivan Associate Planner, (360) 337-5777 psulliva@co.kitsap.wa.us for application information.

GHAAC is now meeting every other month. Next meeting is February 9, 7PM, Greater Hansville Community Center.

KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
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No Report

KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING

No Report

KITSAP COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF FACILITIES, PARKS AND RECREATION

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NO REPORT

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Roads Division

No Report

Traffic and Transportation Division –

No Report

Wastewater Division

No Report

Solid Waste Division

No Report

Surface and Stormwater Division

No Report

KITSAP COUNTY HEALTH DISTRICT

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C EYER SITE: No change since previous report.

According to DCD, Mr. Eyer has made some progress during the last 6 months in continuing to remove vehicles and other scrap metal from the site. The Health District is working with DCD, and KCPA to identify the next actions. There is some indication that Mr. Eyer might be receptive to a voluntary compliance agreement for the remaining abatement of the site.

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CARPENTER CREEK VOLUNTEER MONITORING:

Health District and KCSSWM supports Stillwater's Environmental and Cutthroats of Carpenter Creek and their monitoring program. We continue to pay for FC analysis of stream water and marine estuary water. Data is used to properly rank the stream in our annual Priority Area Worklist for the Pollution Identification and Correction Program.

DANIELS CREEK POLLUTION IDENTIFICATION AND CORRECTION PROJECT:

The first phase of this project is now complete and a report is being drafted. **Three (3)** failing septic systems were identified and repaired. Additionally, a cabin with an old unpermitted septic system near the creek was abandoned and is set to be demolished. While failure was not proven, it is highly likely that this septic system was polluting Daniels Creek. There has been some improvement in water quality, but the stream continues to fail standard. Follow up work is planned in this drainage using grant funds from the Liberty Watershed Restoration Project.

FINN CREEK VOLUNTEER MONITORING:

Health District and KCSSWM supports a volunteering monitoring effort on Finn Creek in Hansville. The data is being used to properly rank Finn Creek on the Health District's annual Priority Area Worklist for the Pollution Identification and Correction Program.

INDIANOLA CREEK:

This project has been completed and a report has been prepared. **26** properties were inspected, **zero (0)** failing onsite sewage systems were located. The Health District believes that a septic system that was voluntarily replaced in 2005 was the most likely source of the FC contamination impacting this stream.

INDIANOLA AND MILLER BAY SHORELINE SURVEY PROJECT:

This project was started in Fall 2007 to address the findings of a Washington State Department of Health sanitary survey of the Port Madison shellfish growing area. Shoreline surveys are underway to locate failing septic systems and other sources of bacterial contamination. No failing septic systems have been identified as of yet. This project has been delayed due to other priorities, but should be completed in 2010.

JUMP OFF JOE CREEK RESTORATION PROJECT:

Department of Ecology awarded the Health District a \$331,553 grant in 2007 to clean up bacterial pollution in Jump off Joe Creek (drains to Hood Canal near Edgewater in North Kitsap), and remove a shellfish closure zone established by the Department of Health at the mouth of the stream. This project was expanded to include properties along Vinland Creek, Kinman Creek and Lofall Creek in October 2008. To date, **335** properties have been inspected thus far, and **nine (9)** failing septic systems have been identified, most of which have been repaired. Water quality has improved, and the shellfish closure zone removed. This project is scheduled for completion in 2011.

KINGSTON SHORELINE SURVEY:

The Health District has been following up on fecal coliform sources identified by the Department of Health during a shoreline survey in the Kingston area (Point No Point to Point Jefferson). This survey was conducted as part of the Department of Health's commercial shellfish growing area classification program. Department of Health identified three fecal coliform "hot spots" and six (6) properties with suspect failing onsite sewage systems. To date, the "hot spots" are still under investigation. Five of the six properties have been surveyed. One outhouse has been identified and properly

abandoned. Two outhouses have yet to be addressed. One “incinolet” has been removed, and was replaced by a permitted holding tank. Three identified grey water discharges have been corrected.

LIBERTY BAY RESTORATION PROJECT:

Department of Ecology awarded the Health District a \$500,000 grant in 2009 to clean up bacterial pollution in Liberty Bay and its fresh water streams. The project is implementing early actions for a Total Maximum Daily Load Study for fecal coliform, and Marine Recovery Area designation for Liberty Bay. It will significantly reduce fecal coliform contamination of Liberty Bay and it’s tributaries by correcting fecal coliform sources including failing onsite sewage systems, animal waste, boat waste, etc. To date, one full shoreline survey of Liberty Bay has been completed and “hot spots” are being investigated. **118** properties have been inspected thus far, and **one (1)** failing septic system has been identified and is in the repair process. This project is scheduled for completion in 2014.

PORT ORCHARD PASSAGE PROJECT:

In December 2008 the Health District and the City of Bainbridge Island completed a shoreline survey project between Lynwood Center and Fletcher Bay on Bainbridge Island. Five failing onsite sewage systems were identified and repaired. As a result, the Washington State Department of Health upgraded 148 acres along Crystal Springs to “approved” for commercial shellfish harvest, and downgraded 121 acres to “prohibited”. The downgrade in classification requires corrective action on the part of Kitsap County pursuant to RCW 90.72 Shellfish Protection Districts. Kitsap County, the Health District and the City of Bainbridge Island are partnering on a grant application to the Washington State Department of Ecology to fund a PIC Project in the areas that were downgraded or closed by WSDOH in May 2009. If successful, the Health District will receive \$118,000 to deal with downgrade starting in July 2010.

KITSAP PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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Advisory Group 2009 Accomplishments 2010 Work Plan

Name of Advisory Group: Kingston Citizen Advisory Council

Advisory Group Staff: Pete Sullivan, Associate Planner, DCD

Advisory Group Officers: Co-Chairs Denise Lietz, Greg Platz

Meeting Day/Time/Location: First Wednesday each month/ 7 pm/ North Kitsap Fire & Rescue Headquarters, Kingston, Washington

Part 1: Advisory Group Purpose/Mission Statement

The Kingston Citizen Advisory Council has been formed to provide a forum for community discussion on the many issues and interests found in the community. It is hoped that the formation of this council will foster enhanced communication between the residents of the Kingston area and Kitsap County government, as well as coordinate efforts of the many council and community residents currently at work on improving the Kingston community.

The Mission of the Kingston Citizen Advisory Council (KCAC) is to:

- Actively facilitate communication among the Kingston Community,
- Mutually develop and promote a sense of community vision and pride,
- Communicate to the County and other government entities the desires and concerns of the Kingston community,
- Bring to the Kingston community issues and projects of the County and other government entities, and
- Provide feedback and recommendations to the County and other government entities regarding the community's response and concerns.

Part 2: Accomplishments in 2009

Walt added that the council helped facilitate the development of the Village Green Park.

- Held monthly meetings with the Council, providing presentations of interest to all Kingston residents.
- Presented Kingston Open House (March 18, 2009) to provide an informal evening where all in the community can learn about Kingston, local organizations and projects planned for the area.
- Participated in the North Kitsap Trails Association.
- Reviewed and made minor revisions to the KCAC bylaws.
- Continued with sub-committee reviews of parks and open space, ferry system, roads and communication issues.
- The Downtown Kingston Master Plan Sub-Committee led a group of community members in developing this plan to assist in future planning efforts and possible inclusion in the Kingston Sub-Area Plan. Extensive work was accomplished and draft was presented to the Planning Commission, but eventually was put on hold by Kitsap County Board of Commissioners.
- Improved communication with other North-end CACs to facilitate information sharing.

Part 3: Proposed Goals/Objectives or Plans for 2010

- Coordinate information sharing from other Kingston Planning groups (e.g. Village Green, Stakeholders, etc.) to improve community livability and economy.
- Continue to participate in efforts to improve transportation issues in Kingston, specifically with WA Ferries and transit providers.

- Support improvement of Port as economic engine (e.g. water transit to Seattle, recreational/tourism, business/entertainment hub).
- Coordinate with other north-end community advisory councils, specifically relating to communication with north-end citizens.
- Continue Downtown Kingston Master Plan efforts.
- Encourage KCAC members to disseminate information to respective constituencies in order to improve community's overall knowledge of issues impacting the Kingston area.

Parks and Trails for KCAC January 6 2010

NK Trails Association wants to brief/update KCAC, probably March, and also have a table at the Open House. Linda Berry-Marais is the contact and has Greg's e-mail address.

WH trail update: Nothing new since last month. Still waiting to hear about the matter of the bonding for the trail.

Heritage Park update

- The parking lot is open, and awaiting delivery of some gravel
 - Signage: Parks Department has provided No Motorized Vehicles signage. We're still waiting for a formalized MOU/MOA.
 - Park opening notice carried in the Kitsap Sun today, 1/6/10, along with putting the public on notice that no motorized vehicles will be allowed.
 - A kiosk with maps is planned. A formal park opening event is planned for when the kiosk is up.
- There's no plan to submit RCO grants for park development, only for acquisition of the options parcel.

Village Green

- RCO grants should be obtainable for this project, considering the hundreds of hours of volunteer and other in-kind contributions that are claimable.
- MOA with County is still in process.
- MPD petition campaign is launched! We'll be working on it until about February.
- Village Green Community Park sign is now available.
- We are applying for a pre-application meeting in January.
- We are requesting ~\$250 K from the state in January; reapplying for Building Communities Fund dollars; and applying for a federal appropriation
- Please help the Foundation with another Congressional staffer presentation Friday 1 15 10, 10 AM at the Community Center.

Eglon Trail apparently available for use again after some thinning took place this fall. Mud is apparently passable now.

Ferry Advisory Committee Report Jan '10

Reservations: A draft report was sent out on the Kingston-Edmonds Reservations study. A full copy is at the library and posted at the WSF website. Kingston's FAC made mostly technical comments on the report. We can e-mail copies of comments if you like. The recommended implementation plan is to establish the reservation system at Port Townsend and in the San Juans first then to apply it to commercial freight traffic system wide. Implementation to general ridership in the Central Sound is not planned until about 2015 unless the Legislature directs otherwise.\

Schedule Change: WSF wants to change the Kingston-Edmonds schedule starting this spring to improve its on-time performance. We have not yet seen the proposed change but expect it may be similar to one proposed last summer. We are concerned that this may reduce route capacity and revenue by dropping some crossings and move the 5:50PM westbound crossing

Fuel surcharge:

WSF and the Transportation Commission will be presenting a fuel surcharge proposal to the Legislature starting next week with the intent of filing it in late February, having one or more hearings afterwards and having a Commission vote for adoption in May.

NOTE while there will be "hearings" the surcharge filing cannot be changed by the Commission they only can adopt it or not. Our best opportunity to change how it will work is to have our legislators insist on changes during the session in Jan.

While its details have not yet been released its basics are:

A temporary charge would be automatically added when the diesel price exceeds the "base price" used in the biennial WSF budget. That would be limited to a maximum fare increase of 20%. (as fuel is 20% of the operating budget this amounts to a diesel price 2X the "base price").

There would be no surcharge when diesel was at or below the "base price"

The surcharge would be calculated and updated monthly.

Concerns the FAC has with this:

We prefer hedging fuel prices to a fuel surcharge will add a great deal of complexity to our already complex fare system. It also raises issues of how it will affect the buying of multi-ride tickers and tickets good over a surcharge change. If there is to be a surcharge then:

There should be protection for riders from an unrealistically low "base fuel price" used in the budget. For example instead of basing the surcharge on the difference between the budget price and the prevailing price the surcharge is based on the difference between the prevailing price and the price estimated by an independent party. For example the base price be no lower than the price predicted by the National Energy Modeling System at the time the budget is set.

If a surcharge is to be charged then the state fuel taxes should be returned to ferries to defray the surcharge cost.

When fuel costs fall below the "base price" or NMS estimate the savings should be returned to riders in lower fares or banked to reduce or eliminate a surcharge when prices rise.

If surcharges are automatically set each month there should be a periodic review i.e. quarterly by a rider organization to verify that the charges were properly made and/or savings properly estimated.