

SUQUAMISH CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

May 6, 2010 — 6:30-9:00 p.m.
Suquamish Elementary School Library

BOARD MEMBERS:

Members Present: Louise Barbee, Tom Curley, Bruce Goodrich, Larry Goodwin, Megan Hale, Janet Larson, Linda Marlborough, Kevin McDonald, Sandra Senter, Gail Petranek

Members Absent: Jim Holmes, Beth Stenwick

Quorum Yes

Others Present: Heather Adams (DCD), Greg Cioc (Public Works), 1 resident

PROCEEDINGS

Opening:

Kevin McDonald, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. New SCAC member, Linda Marlborough was introduced.

Public Comment:

- None

Business:

1. **Minutes** – The April 2010 minutes were approved.
2. **Shoreline Master Program**
 - Jo Myers from DCD provided an update on the program. The Characterization and Inventory Report has been completed and submitted it to the Department of Ecology. A survey is being conducted to assess how the public uses and values the shorelines. So far about 400 people have participated in the survey, which runs through May 31. The results will be posted at the program web site www.kitsapshoreline.org and Jo will provide SCAC with quarterly updates on the program. Sandy Senter will put a link to the survey questionnaire on the SuquamishNow web site.
3. **Transportation Improvement Projects**
 - Greg Cioc reported the Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) submission process is now closed and Public Works is beginning the review process. He discussed the status of several of project:
 - The initial cost projection for Totten Road shoulders has increased due to the new storm water regulations. If a shoulder is installed the minimum width would be 4 feet and it should probably extend from Suquamish Way to Hwy. 305. Use of shoulders is a major issue because of safety. Over the last 14 years, 18% of the roads budget has gone to reconstruction or new construction of shoulders.
 - The Division Street project is scheduled for 2011. Division Street from

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Columbia to Suquamish Way is designated “urban minor arterial,” which is a federal designation and requires improvement plans meet a higher standard. The Suquamish Way/Division intersection improvements are not scheduled until 2013. Greg is not sure why these two projects are not being done at the same time, but will check with Tina Nelson. [Note: Tina Nelson emailed the chairperson a correction to the February SCAC minutes. The 2011 improvements on Division will not include a bike lane.]

- Tom Curley suggested that the pavement at intersections on Division be a different color from the surrounding pavement to allow safer, more pedestrian friendly crossing. Greg will look into this as an option. He is uncertain of the degree of flexibility on Division due to its federal designation.
- There was discussion of the Division Street non-motorized extension. It was suggested the right of way at the north end of the street be cleaned up to make the trails more accessible – perhaps as a Scout projects. The Nature Preserve at the north end of Division has no formal designation with the county, but is county property. It would be good to create a trail loop between the Nature Preserve and Cowling Creek.
- Tom reported that the Suquamish Tribe has committed \$25k for the Totten Road shoulders project. The tribe would like to have the Miller Bay Road Shoulders project remain on the TIP, and would like to see it added to the Tribal Capital Improvement Plan so grant funding can be sought for it.

4. Announcements

- Gail reported the Earth Day parade was a huge success with kids in masks and costumes and the entire school was involved. Photos of the event are posted on the school web site. Many thanks to the Tribe for providing water and to Tribal Police for their assistance with road safety. The parade is likely to become an annual event.
- The Community Cleanup Day was successful with 31 volunteer who picked up litter throughout most of Suquamish. Two trucks full of trash bags were delivered to the transfer station. Volunteers reported there was less trash to pick up than in previous years.

5. Committee Reports

- Transportation Subcommittee: the committee worked on and submitted a list of TIP projects that included improvements to the 305/Suquamish Way interchange as well as shoulder projects on a) Miller Bay Road, b) Division Street from Suquamish Way to McKinstry, c) Suquamish Way from Division to downtown Suquamish (Augusta), and d) Totten Road up to and just past the Early Learning Center. At the next subcommittee meeting members will discuss the need for a design vocabulary that everyone understands and can be used by the county, tribe, and CACs as they work together on road improvements. [Members of the

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Transportation Subcommittee are Bruce, Tom, Gail, Larry, and Megan.]

- Bruce suggested we reactivate the Road Ends and Trails Subcommittee [Bruce, Louise, Megan, Larry, and Tom]. We have a permit to clear brush at Hemp Hill, but would need to talk with the county and see what our options are beyond that. The subcommittee could also map out existing and proposed trails and talk with John Willett at North Kitsap Trails Association regarding how to pursue funding.
- The other active subcommittee is the Skate Park Subcommittee with Gail and Jan as members. This is a fact finding year related to seniors and the Seniors Subcommittee is expected to be launched in 2011 [Jan and Beth]. The status of the Land Use and Zoning Subcommittee will be discussed at a future meeting when Jim Holmes, subcommittee chairperson, is present. No one has been identified to replace Sharon Nichols as chairperson of the Parks and Recreation Subcommittee; however, we would like to see that group re-established.

6. Suquamish Web Site

- Sandy Senter gave an update on the SuquamishNow web site. An email has gone out to over 80 people with information about the site and posters have been put up in town. Gail Petranek will put the web address in the school newsletter and Sandy will ask the county to add the link to SCAC's county web page. There was discussion of whether the email list might be used to distribute SCAC agendas. Sandy suggested it might be used to ask people whether they wish to receive agendas in the future. Sandy also requested help maintaining the web site so volunteers are welcomed.

7. 2010 SCAC Workplan

- The committee reviewed the 2010 workplan and updated progress notes. a) Street lighting at the crosswalk at Augusta and Geneva has been completed. b) Gail is now serving as the liaison to Tina Nelson in Public Works. c) There has been no progress on establishing a library branch in Suquamish. d) Steve Bauer was given a tour of Place of the Bear and would like to discuss it further in the context of the Legacy Partnership. If the property changed ownership it could be difficult to keep it accessible to Suquamish residents. e) The annual community clean-up was completed for 2010. f) There is currently no funding to place benches at chosen scenic viewpoints and road ends. We could consider applying for Appendix X funds; however, we would need to come up with a map, a design, and a non-profit organization partner in order to apply for the funds.

News items:

- Bob Southwick emailed that the storm water and paving project on Center Street between 3rd Street and Augusta Avenue has been postponed until May 19th. It will be approximately a 5 to 7 day project. Storm water crews will hang door hangers on the houses on Center between Division and Augusta notifying them of the duration and scope of the project. Center between 3rd and Augusta will have day closures

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with flaggers assisting the local traffic and emergency vehicles if needed through the work zone. When storm water crews finish the drainage improvements the Road Department will patch the road and install tilt ups on both sides of the road for directing water into new catch basins and off private property. The drainage improvement project is designed to pick up water off the streets below 5th that runs down Center to address some flooding complaints in the past. The water above 5th goes under Center through a private closed conveyance system then into an open ravine down to 1st Street. This project does not improve or enhance Pedestrian walk ways but does give a little wider driving lane.

- Sandy Senter plans to donate \$200 from the recorder's stipend fund on behalf of SCAC to the Garden Club toward the cost of the 3-panel Princess Angeline sculptures being carved by George David for Angeline Park.
- Jan Larson announced two events: a Funder's Forum at May 14 at the Clearwater Casino Resort and a fundraising event at Applebee's restaurants on May 19th to benefit Benedict House. Sandy will post the events on the SuquamishNow web site. Jan also reminded members of the twice monthly community meals at UCC and suggested that SCAC members might try to be present and/or volunteer. Information about the dinners is on the community calendar at SuquamishNow.com.
- Gail Petranek announced a pancake breakfast on Saturday, May 8 from 9:00-1:00 at the House of Awakened Culture. Proceeds will help send Suquamish fifth graders and Pond Kids to IslandWood for a four-day, three-night camp known as "the school in the woods."
- Gail reported the Pond Kids are working on a design to decorate the new bus shelter. The tribe also has expressed an interest in improving the appearance of the bus shelters.
- Heather announced that the county directors will start having regular meetings and plan to discuss communication between county department and the CACs.
- Because of budget constraints, Heather will only be attending every other SCAC meeting. Committee members asked for Larry Keeton's email address so we can contact him about the need for her presence at all meetings.

Public Comment:

- Jaime Yslas offered to lend assistance to SCAC in defining measures of performance and effectiveness and adding them to our workplan. Jaime has applied for membership on the committee.
- Alan Trunkey reported the Wednesday Farmers' Market is open and going well. There are more vendors and attendance is up this year.

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Action Items:

- Sandy will add newly announced events to the SuquamishNow web site calendar and add a link to the Shoreline Master Program survey.
- Gail Petranek will put the web address in the school newsletter and Sandy will ask the county to add the link to SCAC's county web page.
- Greg Cioc will follow-up with Tina Nelson about the issues discussed regarding the Division Street improvements.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 pm

The next meeting will be June 3 at 6:30 pm at Suquamish Elementary School Library

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY RECORDER, SANDRA SENTER

MINUTES APPROVED:

(Chairperson's signature)

(Date)