

## **CENTRAL KITSAP COMMUNITY COUNCIL**

### **Meeting Summary**

Wednesday March 1, 2017

Vice-President Bob Moyer called the meeting to order at the Hazelwood YMCA meeting room at 5pm.

**A. Members present:**

Jim Aho, Kyra Bolby, Natalie Bryson (excused late), Phil Havers, Renee Martin, Judy Mentor-Eagleson, Bob Moyer, Brandon Myers, Stacey Saunders, Carol Smiley, Angela VanFossen, Kay Wilson.

**B. The Agenda was adopted as presented**

**C. Meeting summaries for December and the retreat were adopted with changes.**

**D. Correspondence / Announcements: None**

#### **Commissioner's Comments**

Thank you to Harold for the room. We're going to give this a try for a couple months. We want as much public participation and board members as possible. Tonight, we're going to elect new officers, listen to comments from the by-laws, discuss goals and priorities for this year. After the meeting, Tex Lewis will be honored at 6:45 pm at the Yacht Club Broiler. He served nine years on this council and has done many other things that we'll talk about tonight.

#### **Public Comment**

Rob MacDermid asked how to stay advised as to date, time, and location of future council meetings. The Commissioner responded we will publish this regularly. This location and time will be used for at least the next three months and it will be published. Rob MacDermid asked If the agenda would be published at that time. Answer was yes. Kay Wilson noted the County announcements contained an announcement for this meeting. She encouraged all to sign up for those.

Jim Sommerhauser stated that the announcement by the County failed to announce the date. He also commented he had to show ID and sign a waiver, which he did not feel this was appropriate, and the room was significantly smaller. Bob Moyer responded that was considered and room capacity has only been an issue a handful of times. We are looking to see whether being in a central location changes that. He also agreed with the concern over signing a waiver, however, it is a YMCA policy. We will look into a fix for that. The Commissioner responded that the waiver and ID is a Y policy and we probably won't get around that. He reiterated this is a temporary location and let's try it for three months. Stacey Saunders pointed out that once you sign in the waiver form is good for a year.

Susan Anderson stated that it really does underscore the need for a public meeting space. She agrees that there haven't been many times when we had very many people. She suggested a sign-in sheet so we know how many people came to the meetings and suggested we add that to our minutes.

Rob MacDermid cited same concerns as Jim. Stated this is a solution looking for a problem. The council met at the fire station for years without any problems, it has capacity. As a citizen participating he was bothered by having to show ID and sign the waiver. He understands the Y procedure, however as a citizen communicating with my County government he found it offensive.

Carol Smiley noted that at the CKCC annual meeting a motion was made and seconded to change the date, time, and location of the monthly meeting for a three-month trial. Regular monthly meetings are the first Wednesday of the month from 5:00 to 6:30.

Rob MacDermid asked if that decision was at a public meeting and if the public advised it was conducted. Rob asked what sort of discussion was there from the citizenry about your motion that you made this meeting in February? Bob Moyer responded it was an advertised meeting to the public. It was the annual meeting where we try to organize things. Nobody except Council showed up but it doesn't mean that they weren't invited.

Ron Gillespie looked at the CKCC's purpose. He asked how do we communicate and how do we determine what to communicate to the commissioner? Bob Moyer replied most of that was in the meeting summaries. Meeting summaries go to the commissioners after every meeting. Phil Havers added a representative of the commissioner's office is at every meeting to hear what was discussed.

Susan Anderson stated that she wrote a letter and sent it to the Council but also copied it and sent it to the commissioner. Bob Moyer responded that letter got attached to the minutes from that meeting so it went to the commissioner that way as well.

Brandon Myers stated he has questions about the council and communication. It's one of our 2017 goals to look at our purpose and how we deliver that information. Kay Wilson volunteered to start a mailing list. A sign in sheet was sent around by Stacey and Kay will compile the contacts.

### **Election of officers**

Nominating committee received recommendations and presented the following Slate of Candidates:

President - Stacy Saunders

Vice-president – Brandon Myers

Secretary -

Note the titles of the positions will change to Chair and Vice chair after adoption of revised by-laws. No nominations were received for secretary.

Bob Moyer opened nominations from the floor. Kay Wilson nominated Angela VanFossen as Secretary. Accepted on the condition meetings can be recorded.

Motion to elect the slate as presented. Motion passed.

### **Council goals for 2017- Brainstorming**

Brandon Myers suggested identifying our purpose and how do we gather and share that information with our County entities.

Phil Havers wanted to see fresh faces. How do we get more active participation?

Angela VanFossen stated our citizens indicated they'd like us to keep track of the annexation. Perhaps get information about where it is in the process, perhaps education or some other information.

Bob Moyer stated transportation. We need to consider what's going on with Silverdale's circulation study and keep a close track on that.

Angela VanFossen suggested we also need to keep track of the old town projects, the sewer updates they plan to make which will cause some issues with circulation down in the old town area especially with the road expansion project.

Joyce Merkel stated old town parking is becoming an issue.

Commissioner Wolfe stated public works briefed the commissioners on the circulation study and it is in progress. The consultants are out working on it now. We are expecting it in August. I think we need to move this to the front of our priorities because this is moving forward.

Mr. Holmberg would like to see more reports about what is going on. He likes the updates from county staff. Suggested a forester and other staff people. The shoreline is coming up and we need to keep up with that.

Joyce Merkel suggested we publish the wonderful presentations created by wonderful staff. Suggested we put them in the paper or where more people can see them.

Kay Wilson responded that, as she understand it, most newspapers are no longer publishing the details of meetings, only the date and place. Pete has worked as hard as anybody could to get information in the paper and they just simply ignore it.

Bob Moyer suggested a goal for this year could be to work with the County on using other social media to try to get the word out. It is difficult to find our data on the website. Is there another way get information out? Perhaps the minutes posed on Facebook

Mr. Holmberg stated the new head of DCD hasn't attended. Bob Moyer noted that she spoke at the December meeting.

Jim Sommerhauser responded the county has a system for notifications. You can sign up for that and select different things you want to be notified of and you get an email or text.

Stacey Saunders replied she really likes the road updates for when the roads are closed. She stated it really comes down to having a plan in place for the year.

Phil Havers suggested better communication between us and Kitsap County and the Port of Silverdale.

Bob Moyer replied one of the things we talked about last month was to set up individual members of the council who would liaison with various groups or organizations within Central Kitsap. I think a goal for this year is to get that organized and working effectively.

Brandon Myer stated a lot of our goals see to stem from communication in general. Conversations on impacts to resources. Efforts to touch bases with all these community projects and have regular updates to keep track of potential impacts.

Stacey Saunders reminds us many things are coming and we've got to make sure that we figure this out otherwise one of these thing is going to take off and we're not going to have input and get left behind and not realize you got left behind.

Bob Moyer stated that two of the biggest construction projects that have ever gone on in the County, Harrison hospital and the Central Kitsap high school and middle school complex bear watching. All

transportation patterns, not just motorized but non-motorized are going to change. High school and middle school kids coming into downtown Silverdale will find their own routes.

Angela VanFossen stated the comp plan is designed to help with planning for the next twenty years. Populations were assigned with near future items considered. Ideally, we have plans for some of these issues. Angie Silva responded the great thing about the comp plan is it can be adjusted for things you didn't see coming 15 years or even 20 years in the future. Adjustments can be made for changing circumstances or conditions.

Ron Gillespie -There's still a challenge to Harrison moving, it is being vigorously challenged.

Bob Moyer responded the challenge to Harrison is how much of Harrison will move. That needs to be tracked. The circulation study needs to be tracked, both motorized and non-motorized. We need fresh suggestions and then where does the money come from.

Jim Sommerhauser stated on June 30 the update to the critical area ordinance (CAO) will be completed. DCD has shortened the window for public comment to two weeks. The council needs to start now to draw information from public to get info to the commissioner. Angie Silva clarified the public comment window. The first draft was released today to solicit public comments during March. Additional edits will be completed and the document will head to the planning commission. Several public hearings will occur during the planning commission process. Then the Commissioners begin their process before adoption in June.

Many projects that impact the Central Kitsap community are underway. Another element is the "reasonable measures" which talks about legacy lots. Another element is the six-year transportation improvement plan that outlines the funding for the next six years for transportation improvement projects throughout the County. Those are items that can be discussed through this forum as well.

Bob Moyer responded we are aware of the CAO. April meeting will probably have a presentation on it. I don't want to say for sure because it's not my call.

Rob MacDermid asks about the community campus. Is that something on the agenda, is that something that is going to be worked on? Bob Moyer responded that whether it is as a community campus committee or a committee that encompasses a larger area hasn't been decided yet.

Rob MacDermid asked how will it be identified on agenda if there's going to be a discussion? Bob Moyer responded you will find that out by the end of this meeting, the next agenda item is to talk about committees. Commissioner Wolfe addressed Rob's point. I see the community campus or whatever you want to call it as the hub. If everything goes around that around the wheel with the spokes that go out whether it's the Clear Creek or whatever it might be I see the community campus being the hub of all this. Bob Moyer responded there's a lot going on and that involves the campus and that's obviously stuff we will track. Such as the sheriffs need study, possible uses on the old community center site, not to mention the Poplar's.

Jim Sommerhauser asked have the new members or any of the members received the update training for the open meetings act? Conflict of interest and other types of things as a county sponsored body you have to live by.

Bob Moyer responded conflict of interest is in our bylaws which everybody has a copy of so that's there and treated in that context. Open meetings were discussed at last month's meeting.

Renee Martin suggested we need to keep in contact with Kitsap Economic Development Alliance (KEDA) and the Government Affairs Committee (GAC) of the Silverdale Chamber of Commerce and other organizations that are working on the same things we are.

Phil Havers responded we need to talk about and set up this liaison roll. For example, if I work with KEDA, I will be the liaison with them.

Hank Anderson asked in the past there was a navy rep. Will there continue to be one? The Council responded the answer is no. As we're working on changes, the Navy was one of the things we dropped.

Judy Mentor-Eagleson suggested that could be one of our liaison groups if we wanted.

Kay Wilson suggested adding the transit projects such as transfer station be added under the transportation heading.

Bob Moyer suggested each committee come up with what big things need to be followed and come back and report to the council at a subsequent meeting on those items and how they are going to follow those.

Brandon Myers suggested it is important that our committees somehow reflect our goals so that we can accomplish those. He recommended dividing up into three groups. 1. Goals committee to look at purpose, scope, and how to get community involvement. 2. Communication committee 3. Community projects committee for transportation, new building projects, etc.

Bob Moyer responded that he thought the community projects committee would be overwhelmed. Brandon Myers responded that the idea is to take a look at what current projects and future projects are and work from there.

Stacey Saunders reminded us of the polling done at the prior year retreat and identified three committees as the limit for effectiveness.

Angela VanFossen responded the transportation committee is always very active, as is the community campus committee. I think the community project group might have too many items under one umbrella. Perhaps that could be split.

Judy Mentor Eagleson asked where tracking annexation and incorporation would fit. Two huge things in our area.

Bob Moyer suggested the goals committee sounds like an ad hoc committee, once the goals are set for the year can disband.

Renee Martin suggested the goal is communication. All the rest are subjects we will track. Committees could be formed around those subjects.

Kay Wilson stated we need a communications committee that deals with meeting announcements in the newspaper and Facebook. It does not require meetings.

Phil Havers asked the Commissioner for his thoughts on where the council can help in terms of communication back towards the public and is there an area where you need better input from the public and we can go out and meet?

Commissioner Wolfe stated he likes the idea from the retreat of the individual members of this group going out to other groups and finding out what they think or if they have an interest bring them to our meetings.

Angie Silva added reaching out to groups around the area. Silverdale has many groups all talking about the same subject but they're not connecting together so I think part of that liaison with other organizations or neighborhood groups is passing information about the six-year transportation improvement program and how it works, or the critical areas ordinance and what you can and cannot do and all that good stuff.

Natalie Bryson commented when a subject that came out in the community and it was particularly stimulating or sometimes controversial, people showed up at that meetings and aired their concerns or approval. We really need to have people feel very free to come to us to let us know some of their issues so that they can be presented. We need to make it very clear that we are available to assist in outcomes.

Jim Sommerhauser stated you talk about committees. Generally, you are speaking of yourselves as committee members. There is nothing that I know of that prevents you from having citizens on the committees.

Council response we do ask for citizens and interests.

Stacey Saunders responded this is part of that communication and liaison. Even tonight if we started with those liaisons I think that will help a lot.

Bob Moyer responded both the campus committee and the transportation committee have had citizen members pretty consistently over the years.

Susan Anderson stated we really don't know a lot about each one of you and where your abilities are. Knowing more about each one of you helps you to be much more approachable. Also, when we sign in it is important for us to identify ourselves in areas where we have affiliations. I think that's one way of prompting people into wanting to come.

Brandon Myers asked if something as simple as a picture and a biography on the County website would help.

Susan Anderson responded perhaps on the Facebook page.

### **Committees and liaisons.**

Judy Mentor Eagleson recommended a committee to meet the next few weeks and make up a few committees. States it needs a lot of thought. We want to take our roll seriously.

Bob Moyer named it the organization committee.

Renee Martin suggested sending out one last email for ideas.

Bob Moyer requested volunteers for the organization committee no more than seven. Volunteers Brandon Myers, Jim Aho, Stacey Saunders, Bob Moyer, Kyra Bolby, and Natalie Bryson with Renee Martin as a possible. The committee will look at goals and liaisons and report back to the council at the next meeting.

Natalie Bryson reminded us the original council members had a biography in the paper, and it gave an opportunity for a little bit of history a little bit of interest within the community. A very quick review of the members, what their background is, what their interests are, or why they volunteered might help people to know a little bit more or feel more open in picking up the phone.

Bob Moyer adjourned the meeting at 6:35 PM.