



## Kingston Citizens Advisory Council (KCAC)

### Meeting Minutes

February 10, 2021

**Notes taken by:** Annie Perry

Because of the coronavirus pandemic, this meeting was held using Zoom Video Conferencing.

**Present:** Beth Berglund (co-chair), Jessica Jetter (co-chair), Jenn Leach, Annie Perry, Emily Ramirez, Sonja Roberts, Alena Wolotira, Chris Gilbreath, Glenn Malin, Breane Martinez, Steve Heacock, Nancy Martin (for VGF)

**Excused Absence:** none

**Absent:** Jeromy Sullivan

**Also present:** Jennifer Haro, Rebecca Pirtle, Rob Gelder, Laura Gronnvoll (PoK), Mary McClure (PoK), Steve Stein (new resident of Kingston)

**Quorum:** Yes.

Co-Chairperson Berglund called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm.

#### **Initial Public Comments:**

- Tom Curley from Suquamish Citizens Advisory Council (SCAC). Changing of the guard has happened. There are 2 new co-chairs. Beth Berglund asked if he would share their contact info. Tom said he would.
- Mark Libby would like a liaison between KCAC and KPTOS. If not perhaps KPTOS could be considered for an Ex-Officio seat? There is a new webpage. Next work party is Feb. 27th. Next meeting is March 1.

#### **Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:**

Minutes from the January meeting have been circulated to Council members via KCAC email.

Chairperson Berglund asked if anyone had any amendments. Jessica Jetter motioned to approve, Sonja Roberts seconded. Minutes are approved.

#### **Reports**

##### **Council Announcements:**

- There are 2 open at-large positions on KCAC.

##### **Organization Reports:**

- Kiwanis (Glenn Malin)--a couple of initiatives. Sent a thank you through Facebook to businesses that have helped Kiwanis in the past, asking for people to support local businesses. Starting a new introduction of Kiwanis to the community with the aim of getting new members.



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- Rotary (Chris Gilbreath) 75 people participated in on-line auction last week. Hoping it will help with pandemic-action agenda. Efforts to partner with other organizations to increase vaccine opportunities in the area.
- Village Green Foundation (Nancy Martin)--looking to support local restaurants by “menu bombing” and encouraging public to order food from them.
- NKSD (Breane Martinez) -- staggered grades are returning to in-person learning. A survey went out on Feb. 8th how many families can transport their kids to school. There is a shortage of bus drivers to run all the routes.
- Port of Kingston (Steve Heacock)--many yacht clubs are signed up to visit this year. The breakwater at the front of the marina has some large rocks that appear to have shifted. Marine divers and professional engineers are looking into what happened and will suggest repairs. Question to Steve on status of stormwater treatment plant.
- Kitsap County (Rob Gelder)--ferry funding is going to a vote in Olympia soon.
- KHS (Emily Ramirez)--Kingston High School is looking for an artist to do a mural.

#### Committee Reports:

- Transportation Committee (Alena Wolotira)--WSF held virtual public meetings yesterday and today. Reps from Kingston attended each and asked questions about Kingston ferry signage issues.
- Open House Committee (Beth Berglund) --no meetings yet. Not sure if we will do a virtual one. Rob asked if we could try a Zoom conference with breakout rooms. The idea was floated last fall.
- Community Services Committee (Jessica Jetter and Chris Gilbreath)
  - Community Services Committee--met on Jan. 27th and discussed racism as a public health crisis and vaccination in Kitsap County.
  - SJ seminar Feb. 16th.
  - North Kitsap Fire and Rescue had first aid training focused on emergency disaster needs. This could be really valuable to go with Kingston Prepares.
  - Affordable Housing fliers on Severe Weather Shelters, Transportation to Shelters, and Little Free Pantries.
  - SURJ Presentation is coming up at next KCAC meeting.

#### Neighborhood Reports:

- Beth Berglund wanted to share that the See-Click-Fix is working like a charm and that people really enjoy using it. SeeClickFix is an App and website that Kitsap County is using to facilitate easier communication about Public Works issues. There's a website for



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people who are not smart phone or app-oriented. You can take a photo, it can identify your location, you can choose to be anonymous in reporting an issue. The County has been very responsive using this system.

#### Special Orders & Unfinished Business:

- Review/Approve Draft Letter to 23rd District re: Ferry Traffic Funding. Purpose of the letter is to ask our legislators to continue to seek funding for mitigating ferry traffic issues. *Alena motioned, Chris seconded, to review the draft letter. Council reviewed the letter. All ayes. Letter approved to move forward.*

#### New Business:

- Review/Approve Draft Letter to Kingston Chamber re: KCAC Participation. *Beth motioned, Glenn seconded to discuss the letter. Council discussed the letter. Beth amended motion to approve with changes, Jessica seconded. Letter approved.*

#### Closing Items:

- Remaining Public Comments (same restrictions)
  - Tom Curley expressed appreciation for Commissioners' letter requesting the Governor advance Kitsap County to Phase 2.
  - Was the KCAC meeting announced on the electronic reader board at Lindvog? KCAC plans to use the readerboard when there is a meeting with a guest speaker.
  - March 10th is the SURJ Presentation.

**Adjourn:** Meeting was adjourned by co-chair Berglund at 7:28 PM.