



Kingston Citizens Advisory Council (KCAC)

Meeting Minutes

September 8, 2021

Notes taken by: Annie Perry

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

Co-Chairperson Berglund called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

PROGRAM:

Guest Presenter: Jessica Guidry, MPH, CHES, Equity Program Manager for Kitsap Public Health District, will be discussing Kitsap Public Health District's Resolution Declaring Racism a Public Health Crisis.

Start of Regular Meeting:

Present: Beth Berglund (co-chair), Jessica Jetter (co-chair), Annie Perry, Alena Wolotira, Nicholas Laurion, Noah Williams, Chris Gilbreath, Glenn Malin, Breane Martinez, Steve Heacock

Excused Absence: Sonja Roberts, Radim Dedek

Absent: Jeromy Sullivan

Also present: Jennifer Haro, Rebecca Pirtle, Commissioner Gelder

Quorum: Yes

Initial Public Comments:

- Joe Lubischer (North Kitsap Heritage Park Stewardship Team): Commented about inaccuracies and concerns contained in the RFP for the STO. The RFP will be open until October 4th. He is asking that KCAC review and request modification to reflect non-park options and all right-of-ways. Changing scope to include eminent domain proceedings.

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

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

Co-Chairperson Berglund asked if anyone had any amendments. *Jessica Jetter made a motion to approve, Alena seconded. All ayes. August minutes are approved.*

Reports

Council Announcements:

- Commissioner Gelder: actively interviewing and recruiting for vacant positions, still looking for youth representatives. Glen Hutchinson is being appointed Monday night for an At-Large seat vacated by Jenn Leach.



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Organization Reports:

- Glenn Malin (Kiwanis): 5:30 on September 25 Salmon Slam free
- Chris Gilbreath (Rotary): Rotary presidents in communications with Trevor Ross from OC for getting internships up and running for local businesses.
- Breane Martinez (NKSD): All K-12 back in school. Reach out to Dr. Evans with back to school questions. The district is hiring and many positions are available; please share!
- Steve Heacock (Port of Kingston): August meeting discussed comprehensive plan update, which is now available on the website.

Committee Reports:

- Parks Trails and Open Space Committee (Mark Libby): Met last night. Hunting signs have been posted around the Hansville Greenway by Rayonier. Short range only (bow & arrow/muzzleloader). Port Gamble Forest Heritage Park master plan will be presented on Sept. 29th. STO concerns with RFP and how it'll impact sensitive areas posed by proposed routes. Whisper Creek Trail motorbike issues on this non-motorized trail. Call 911 if people are misusing those trails. Work parties schedule: 2nd weekend NK, 3rd weekend PG, 4th weekend KPTOS. Other events scheduled.
- Environment and Land Use (Beth Berglund): WM service disruptions due to staffing shortages. Did not charge for additional recycling accumulated during disruption period. <https://www.kitsapgov.com/pw/Pages/Missed-waste-collections.aspx>

Neighborhood Reports:

- None

Special Orders & Unfinished Business:

- Kingston Welcoming Resolution: *Jessica motioned to approve the resolution. Nicholas Laurion seconded.* Discussion: Noah Williams asked what will happen with the resolution beyond being words on a page. Jessica hopes it will be posted on the KCAC page and that we should all think about what else might be an opportunity for communication. Glenn suggested that perhaps a sticker or something could be used to communicate along roadways. Jessica agreed with that approach. Ex-Officio members were removed from the resolution signature line. *Jessica took a vote. All ayes. Motion to approve passed.*
- KCAC support of Kitsap County Affordable Housing sales tax – *Jessica motioned to approve. Alena seconded.* Discussion: Noah asked Commissioner Gelder about what else was considered given the tax issue (being regressive). Commissioner Gelder explained that this is really the



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county's only option for raising the necessary scale of resources. Nicholas asked for more detail about the tax. Commissioner Gelder said it would be applied to sales tax (from 9 to 9.1%). The City of Poulsbo will be implementing a new sales tax within the city limits starting in the new year. The County would pool the revenues and have a citizen group involved in how it would be divided up. *Jessica asked for a vote. All ayes. Motion passed.*

- Approve Thank You Letters to Tribes Re: Vaccinations – *Jessica made a motion to approve. Chris seconded. No discussion. Jessica asked for votes. All ayes. Motion approved.*
- Improving and Expanding Parking Lot at Norman Road Entrance to NKHP: Discussion of proposed resolution. The parking lot is already on the County's projects list. Volunteer labor, not asking for funding. *Jessica made a motion to approve the resolution as drafted. Chris seconded. Jessica took a vote. All ayes. Motion was approved.*

New Business:

- Vote to change KCAC name to include "Community" not "Citizen" was parked for now and will be moved to the October agenda.

Closing Items:

- Remaining Public Comments (same restrictions).
 - None
- Upcoming meetings
 - October 13th: NKSD State of the Schools (Dr. Laurynn Evans)
 - November 10th: Town Hall (Commissioner Rob Gelder)
 - December 8th: Annual KCAC Planning Workshop

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned by Co-Chair Beth Berglund at 8:11 PM.