

SUQUAMISH COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

Thursday, March 2, 2023, @6:30 PM
In-person – Suquamish Police Training Room

ATTENDEES:

SCAC Board Members:

Brynn Felix, Hannah Moss, Ed Mullaney, Martha Burke, Carol Larsen, Ace Haynes, Kurt Olmsted, Erin Bischoff, Tom Curley

Quorum: Yes

Government Officials:

Jim Rogers, Senior Planner for Kitsap County Department of Community Development

Community Members:

None

Opening Items

Meeting called to order: 6:30 p.m.

Land Acknowledgement

Introductions

- Welcomed new members Ed Mullaney, Hannah Moss, Ace Haynes
- Reminder – This is not a partisan space; please do not discuss politics at SCAC
- Idea - to move to the UCC Church or Suquamish Elementary Library

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

February 2023 Minutes

Proposed changes: Kevin's last name is McDonald; Angelina Ave S NE; Martha's misspelled was name

Tom motioned to approve the minutes as edited; Martha seconded

The minutes were approved unanimously.

UPDATE ON 2023 WORKPLAN:

- No update

RENEW BYLAWS FOR 2023

- Brynn reported that Commissioner Gelder is looking into the idea about setting aside (or adding) SCAC seats specifically for members of the Suquamish Tribe. In the meantime, we should hold and keep bylaws as is and revisit once we have further clarity
- Martha made a motion to add “and/or” so it reads Chairperson and/or Co-Chairperson throughout the document. Carol seconded. All were in favor.
- Ace made a motion to hold a special meeting (not a subcommittee) to review the bylaws; no one seconded.
- Brynn made a motion to create a Bylaws Subcommittee led by Ace; Tom seconded. The motion passed.
- Ace to chair and Tom C. will participate. They will set a time and date and advertise the meeting.

KITSAP COUNTY COMPREHENSIVE PLAN UPDATE - JIM ROGERS, KITSAP COUNTY

- [Presentation](#)

ESTATE PLANNING, DEEDING LAND

- Some SCAC members had requested information about estate planning/deeding fee land back to the Suquamish Tribe. Brynn reached out Eddie Ayub, Strategic Acquisitions Officer / Financial Counselor for the Suquamish Tribe, who has offered to speak with interested individuals. For contact information, please contact the SCAC Chair.

UPCOMING EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

- March 25, 2023, 1-3pm: Affordable Housing For Those in the Middle - League of Women Voters. Village Green Community Center. Zoom or in-person. lwv-kitsap.org/affordable-housing

- April 22, 2023 - Community Clean Up. Meet at the UCC Church on Division at 9 a.m. Ace asked if we could have flaggers for trash pick-up on Columbia.

PUBLIC COMMENT

- Erin read Joey Chapman's email that he forwarded from Commissioner Gelder regarding Traffic on Augusta:

We collected traffic data on Augusta Avenue south of Geneva Street and south Center Street. We also collected data on Suquamish Way west of Augusta Avenue. The data showed average daily traffic volumes ranging from 5168 to 5262 vehicles with the 85th percentile speeds ranging from 29.0 to 30.2 mph. The percentage of traffic traveling 10 mph or greater over the posted speed limits ranged from 7.8% to 15.4%.

Suquamish Way from Division Street to Augusta Avenue is classified as a minor arterial. Augusta Avenue is also classified as a minor arterial. The use of speed humps on these roads would not be supported by the current Kitsap County Road Standards Chapter 9 – Neighborhood Traffic Calming Program due to their classifications, the percentage of vehicles traveling 10 mph over the posted speed limits, and their reported traffic volumes. As you know, there currently are two speed radar signs; one on Suquamish Way west of Division Street and on Augusta Avenue south of James Street to remind motorists entering town of the reduction in the posted speeds. In addition there are 20 MPH pavement markings on Augusta Avenue in the core downtown area in both directions.

As we get closer to designing the projects in Suquamish noted previously, we'll be able to do more outreach to the community via the Suquamish Community Advisory Council.

- Brynn shared that Commissioner Gelder is aware of the increased traffic around the schools; the issue should be revisited this fall during the TIP period.
- Ace recently spoke to the fire department about traffic-calming devices and the impact they can have on firefighting equipment.
- Ed inquired about having Public Works come to a SCAC Meeting to share information about the stormwater project as it is going to have a significant impact to the community. Brynn said that plans are in the works.
- Ace asked that since there is no longer a media blotter published in the newspaper how can the community be in the know? Could Kitsap County Sheriff and Suquamish PD be on a future meeting agenda?
- Kurt is also interested in knowing more about the status of MOU with the County/Suquamish Police Department.

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 p.m. The next meeting is on April 6, 2023.

Minutes submitted by: Recorder, Erin Bischoff