Welcome and introductions of GHAAC members  Restatement of ground rules for GHAAC meetings.

The meeting was called to order at 7:04. Members present introduced themselves. 20 neighborhoods or organizations were represented in person and 5 by proxy. There was one county planner and 52 guests.

Dennis Cziske—Kingston Ferry Advisory Committee – reported on pending legislation and opportunities to express our opinions to the legislators and ferry people. He especially asked that ferry riders participate in FROG, Ferry Riders Opinion Group, which will be doing an online survey. It is important that regular riders participate to balance the data received from weekend only or tourist riders who may not have the same concerns. To receive Cziske’s informative e-mails send a request to rosehill1@centurytel.net

Initial public comments: NONE

Approval of Minutes of Last Meeting – minutes of the December 9 and January 5 meetings were approved as published.

Guest Speakers

Mike Adams, DOE - Hansville Store toxic site cleanup. Adams and others from the Dept of Ecology told of their Draft Cleanup Plan for the Hansville store site if an applied for grant of federal stimulus funds comes through. The contaminated area extends into the park and the church parking lot and includes part of Twin Spits Road. The public comment period began February 9 and runs until March 11, 2010. Information is available at Little Boston Library, at the WA. State Dept of Ecology office in Bellevue, and online at http://www.ecy.wa.gov/programs/tcp/sites/hansvilleStore/hansvilleStore_hp.html Consideration was given to the need to maintain easy access to the store during the summer months and to coordinate the schedule with the major construction to be done on Cliffside Road.

Steve Bauer, County Commissioner and Jon Rose, President, Olympic Property Group gave a joint presentation on a proposed agreement whereby OPG would exchange large areas of undeveloped land in North Kitsap for “cash and non-cash considerations” which would include the rights to develop Port Gamble as a model community of about 1,000 homes and businesses. Bauer described it as a “legacy opportunity.” Details of the arrangement are yet to be worked out and would require the agreement of many partners, including the local tribes and government agencies.

GHAAC Committee Presentation/Updates

Community rep reports – due to the length of the presentations there were no reports
Response to public comments from last meeting none
New Issues/updates on prior issues

GHAAC by-law updates—Judy/Gary – Judy asked the Chair to entertain a motion to approve the changes to the by-laws as distributed by e-mail and posted on the web site, which dealt with the process for replacement of GHAAC members. Becky Ellison moved, Zachary seconded and the motion for approval of the revisions passed unanimously.

Issues/Concerns not otherwise covered –

Atkinson asked that the Boathouse Committee be dissolved as no longer being needed. It was moved, seconded and approved.

Zachary asked what was going on at Finn Creek. Becky said The Finn Creek Stream Monitoring Program had just finished a report on the stream. The assessment is part of the larger shoreline and Sound evaluation that is on-going. Atkinson said the intent at the beginning was to study the impact of re-routing the stream across the park and into the Sound. Art suggested that perhaps Linda Marcuse, program leader, could speak at the next GHAAC meeting on this topic.

Rick Troemel asked for support with the issue of unleashed dogs and horseback riding at Point No Point. He will send an e-mail asking for members’ input on the matter. He said he had learned that horses are damaging to the tidal lands in addition to the messes they leave. Troemel would like GHAAC to send him as a representative to the Parks Commission meeting with a letter asking for some control over the situation.

Gene Borgomenerio introduced John Remington, the new representative from Driftwood Key.

Open Public Comment - Those who had signed up elected not to speak.

Announcements Judy Foritano announced that Lou Foritano, GHAAC alternate rep from Cliffside, was presented the award for Outstanding Volunteer of February by the County Commissioners.

Lynn Hix announced the Art Guild Studio Tour on April 23rd and 24th.

Cindy McDermott announced a church drive to help the Haitian relief effort through Children of the Nations International. Information is available at http://www.hansvillecommunitychurch.com/

Next meeting

April 13, 7:00 p.m. Greater Hansville Community Greater Hansville Community Center

Respectfully Submitted,

Bonnie Isaacs, Secretary