

CENTRAL KITSAP COMMUNITY COUNCIL MEETING

Wednesday, January 17, 2007

7:00-9:00 PM

Water & Fire District Community Room

5300 N.W. Newberry Hill Road

Silverdale

SUMMARY

1. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order by President Hank Mann-Sykes.
 - A. **Introductions:** Council members: Natalie Bryson, Mary Earl, Sue Fox, Carl Johnson, Tex Lewis, President Hank Mann-Sykes, Vice-President Jon Pearson, Dave Peterson, Kristin Schimert, Richard Shattuck, Carol Smiley, and Kay Wilson. Commissioner Josh Brown and Staff: Joyce E. S. Figueroa de Raschke.

Absent: Stasha Dennard, Robert Easton Jr., and Gary Lindsey.
 - B. **Approval of Meeting Summary for October, November, and December:** M/S/C for minutes to be tabled until next meeting.
 - C. **Adoption of Agenda:** M/S/C to adopt the agenda as presented.
 - D. **Correspondence/Announcements:**
 1. **Hank Mann-Sykes** introduced the following individuals Kassiem Korich from the *CK Reporter*, Brinn Grimley from *The Sun*, and guest Attorney Jennifer Forbes, from the firm of Mc Gavick Graves, P.S.
 2. **Natalie Bryson** made an announcement on the passing of Paul Brittain on January 15, 2007 in Leavenworth, WA. He made various contributions for citizens to the Central Kitsap area. **Tex Lewis** commented that Paul was the founder who formed the coalition of the Clear Creek Trail Task Force. Possible memorial in Silverdale later, additional information forthcoming. **Hank Mann-Sykes** stated that his legacy will live on in Silverdale for years and years and his impact was felt everyday by the citizens of Central Kitsap and Kitsap County.
 3. **Hank Mann-Sykes** announced a letter from a constituent who passed along an article from the *CK Reporter* and *The Sun* regarding the Suquamish Community Council and "Walkable Schools". The 6-member Council received a \$500,000. Federal grant for sidewalks and streetlights. **Kathy Brown** stated that them constituent was probably Gail Patranek.
2. **Special Presentations**
 - A. **Introduction of new Council Members.**
 - **Commissioner Brown** introduced the following reappointed Council Members: Sue Fox, Natalie Bryson, and Hank Mann-Sykes, and the two new Council Members: Bob Moyer and Roger Zabinski will be appointed Monday, January 22, 2007 at the Board of Commissioners meeting.

B. Election of Officers for 2007.

- **Dave Peterson** accepted Nomination Committee as nomination of the 2007 Proposed Officers: Jon Pearson, President; Mary Earl, Vice-President; Richard Shattock, Secretary, Kay Wilson, Member-At-Large; Rob Easton, Member-At-Large; Hank Mann-Sykes, Past-President (report attached). Seeing no nominations from the floor for a third time, nominations closed.
- **Carl Johnson** moved to cast a unanimous ballot vote for the slate of offices. M/S/C.
- **Hank Mann-Sykes** announced the honor of being President for the past 3-years. He gave a brief history of the Central Kitsap Community Council, and the desire for the betterment of Central Kitsap. He then transferred the gavel over to current President Jon Pearson.

C. Report on Community Campus Master Plan meeting.

- **Natalie Bryson** discussed the footprint of the Community Campus, and how to best serve the public. Rice Furgus Miller has been formulating and presenting these meetings. She thanked Commissioner Brown to all of his helpful input at that meeting that day.
- **Commissioner Brown** gave additional comments about working alongside the Housing Authority and Kitsap Regional library to push this initiative forward right now. Fabulous opportunity for the community and it is my number one focus as your County Commissioner. Public meeting next week with the pair of options for the site plan. The goal of the site plan is not to set in stone what or where the library or the community center is to be located, but it is to get a vision of what this parcel can be developed into initially and over the next 15 to 20 year window which is how long it will take to finally complete all those buildings. Follow up in the second week in February conferring with the folks that have been involved from day one to finale and to let an option that we will then present in February to the community at large. Conveyed to the Council is the belief that the library can be a momentum shifter for this project. Get an anchor tenant in there working with YMCA, Boys & Girls Clubs, and with other community non-profits it would be much easier to push the entire Community Campus evolution along. Focusing on the library financing is key, and I've been working with Jill Jean. Addressing their LID lift options, and on the ballot placement some time in May. Looking at a couple of different options their current 2007 assessment rate is 27 cents to 30 cents per thousand while all other libraries in the Central Puget Sound area at mid 40's. LID lift would provide operating money for the next 5-years taking us to 2012. Put together a bold plan that would have operational resources for Silverdale expansion. Library is thinking about not only expansion in Silverdale, but in expansions for Kingston, Manchester, and other improvements. LID lift that will be on the ballot in May will provide us with the financing for operations and maintenance for a new library in Silverdale for bond money to build a new facility. May LID lift would provide for. Could happen very quickly for early 2008 Focus and encourage library for expansion in Silverdale. Assistance for everyone to focus and encourage the library for an expansion in Silverdale that those are the goals and aspirations of this community.

- **Natalie Bryson** thanked Commissioner Brown for his words, and the public and this community need to say what they would like in this community.
- **Dave Peterson** inquired if we knew then this meeting was going to take place – date, time?
- **Commissioner Brown** follow up tomorrow. Public presentation next Wednesday or Thursday.
- **Dave Peterson** stated that it is an opportunity to support something, and make something happen.
- **Natalie Bryson** important for the public to pay attention and know what a levy LID lift is and the quality of library services. That is the priority. See what is available at the library, and what they provide the opportunity for tutors at no cost.

3. **Committee Reports:**

A. Parks & Entertainment:

- **Sue Fox** mentioned Anderson Landing and Bob Mc Bride has an email out on all of the jobs that he would like to have accomplished this year. First work party will be on the 27th from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Tex Lewis stated that an Eagle Scout is working on some benches out there.
- **Tex Lewis** – stated that he is working on weekends on Clear Creek Trail, and has some things going with County and the Mayor of Poulsbo, and there is a meeting next week. Paul Britton Award recognizes going above and beyond for the community by honoring outstanding volunteers for the year, Dean Enebo received the volunteer of the year for 2006 award. Mary Earl is a former recipient of this award.

B. Community & Government Relations: – nothing to report.

C. Transportation: – nothing to report.

D. Land Use Committee & Economic Development: – nothing to report.

4. **Comments on the basis of the incorporation of Silverdale as a city:**

- **Hank Mann-Sykes** primarily opposed last incorporation, and has had pros and cons.
- Three prior attempts for incorporation (1950's – town meeting, 1983 – which was more formal, and 1999 – which failed by 60/40) controversy regarding the ballots and the urban growth area.
- Worked on incorporation since last April as a private citizen.
- Informal survey at the mall found that the public was confused by the various three groups.
- Community Council cannot be involved with incorporation (due to being appointed by the County Commissioners) due to being a conflict of interest, but can be involved as individuals.
- **Richard Shattuck** stated that the Community Council has a role in making recommendations, and resolutions. Public forums facilitating debate within this community about Silverdale recreation and providing resolutions to our Commissioners.

- **Hank Mann-Sykes** acknowledged the newspaper article as saying that you do not have to ask the County Commissioners permission to incorporate. Incorporation is meant for the citizens of the community and not the special interest groups. Better boundaries due to Alternative #2-A. Discussed Silverdale's incorporation with Jennifer A. Irvine Forbes, Attorney for the City of Fife, Assistant Attorney for the City of Port Orchard, and Faith Ireland, Former Washington State Supreme Court Justice. Recommended Mc Gavick Graves, P.S. law firm, and **Steven _____**, Foster Pepper.
- **Richard Shattuck** mentioned opportunities with Washington State Association of Counties (WSAC), and other professional groups to get their perception of the project.
- **Hank Mann-Sykes** paid \$6.00 to receive the "*Municipal Incorporation Guide*" and it answers every question that you might ask regarding incorporation.
- **Jennifer A. Irvine Forbes, Mc Gavick Graves** announced that the updated Municipal Incorporation Guide from Municipal Research and Service Center is online at: www.mrsc.org, and the guide can be downloaded for free.
- **Hank Mann-Sykes** stated that Faith Ireland recommended Mc Gavick Graves law firm, and they in turn assigned Jennifer who recommended **Steven _____**. This incorporation has to be totally transparent to the public with no back room negotiations.
- **Jennifer A. Irvine Forbes, Mc Gavick Graves** distributed information, and discussed public buy-in to Silverdale's incorporation. (Packet in file.)
 - Agreed with Richard Shattuck about the Councils involvement in the actual incorporation process.
 - Kitsap County will determine what they are willing to spend and pay for the incorporation process.
 - Mentioned process, tools, and hiring of consultant in order to proceed.
 - Boundary Review Board is responsible for the incorporation study.
 - Community meetings are beneficial to determine what the community wants.
 - Keep advisors as neutral as possible – legally, political, and economically.
- **Hank Mann-Sykes** stated that they will be meeting and making a public announcement at the Silverdale Hotel.
- **Tex Lewis** inquired about what the average cost for the incorporation process.
- **Jennifer A. Irvine Forbes** was unable to get that information prior to the meeting, but is checking into it with a couple of consultants.
- **Richard Shattuck** stated that the previous consultant has all information available. Suggested utilizing the Council as an opportunity to become a neutral fact finding and information mechanism to serve both sides of the debate.
- **Jennifer A. Irvine Forbes** recommended getting a Code City Handbook, and discussed various classes, constraints and exceptions.
- Discussion about citizens living within and outside of the Urban Growth Area (UGA) and the impact on their availability to vote on Silverdale's incorporation.
- **Commissioner Brown** regarding the Silverdale sub-area plan and the UGA recognizes that Silverdale will eventually become a city. Clarified land use issues and GMA and the role of the Council to serve, and educated the community to

hear both sides. Not a few interest groups involved, it's a process of collaboration with the County, with other members of the community to see if it makes sense now. When presenting to the public acknowledgement that the Central Kitsap UGA is a separate area, and is associated with the City of Bremerton this needs to be look at. Kitsap County is the third most densely populated County in Washington State. Discussed Kitsap County funding structure, and unavailability to provide urban services.

- **Natalie Bryson** requested that the Board raise their hand if they were living in the Silverdale Urban Growth Area – 4 Council members raised their hand.
- **Richard Shattuck** suggested a proposal that at the Community forum coming up to discuss incorporation by all parties.
- Discussion about incorporations in other areas, having a very open civil forum showing pros and cons.
- **Hank Mann-Sykes** introduced School Superintendent Greg Lynch was in attendance, and that he had publicly that he can do a better job with the schools if this area was incorporated.
- **Greg Lynch** asked to see all of the facts. He relies on levies, bonds and taxes increasing.
- **Jennifer A. Irvine Forbes** discussed remaining transparent to the public, and funding possibilities.
- **Jon Pearson** announced the upcoming retreat on January 27, 2007 from 09:00 AM – 2:00 PM, and the location to be announced.

5. **Public Comment:**

- **Jerry Van Fossen** questioned if the County gives the City such a large chunk of money what happens to the County budget? If the vote is in favor of incorporation it would result in additional increases from the County to all of us. Asked about the status of the current County services currently provided. Benefit of incorporation would be avoidance of annexation by Bremerton.
- **Mike Walton/Marketing Director** talked about the benefits and services that could be provided by the Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA). The YMCA offers program to families with children of all ages, such as "*Splash & Jam*" on the third Saturday of each month from 5:30 PM – 8:30 PM. Children age six and under have to have a parent present. Lots of various activities, and food – free to YMCA members and \$5.00 to non-members. County awarded the program "*Teen Late Night*" for avoidance of substance abuse and its prevention within the teen community. This program that is offered every Friday night from 08:30 PM – 11:00 PM for children aged 13 – 19 years olds. Some transportation is available throughout the County for a safe, fun environment, free from gang influence, and unnecessary and unwanted behavior due to Christian principals of caring, honesty, respect, responsibility and make teenagers adhere to those principles when their under our roof. Any violations and they are out for a night, a week, or months. Would love to be a part of the Silverdale Campus in the future if possible.

6. **Other & Adjournment:**

A. Exec. Comm. Meeting: February 7, 2007, 6:30PM – 8:00 PM @ Community Center Office.

B. CKCC February Monthly Meeting: Wednesday, February 21, 2007, 7:00 PM – 9:00 PM @ Silverdale Community Center, Evergreen Room.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM.

Joyce E. S. Figueroa de Raschke
Kitsap County Staff

Kay Wilson, Secretary

Jon Pearson, Vice-President

Date