The Kitsap County Review Committee Meeting KCC 10.24 met on the above-stated date at the Kitsap County Administrative Building Commissioner’s Chambers, 619 Division Street, Port Orchard, WA

Members present: Gary Simpson, Larry Keeton, Linda Paralez, Karanne Gonzalez-Harless, Jim Sommerhauser, Brad Smith, Doug O’Connor and Tom Hamilton

Staff present: Heather Adams and Committee Secretary Karen Ashcraft

6:02:58
A. Chair Simpson requested the public to sign in for the public hearing.

6:03:28
A motion is made by Jim Sommerhauser and seconded by Linda Paralez to accept the minutes as submitted.

The Vote:
Yes: 7
No: 0
The motion carries.

6:04:11
B. Oral Comments by the Public
Written comments can be submitted to Heather Adams by the end of business on November 8, 2012.

6:06:00
Mark Miller from Olalla is concerned about range design and engineering principles that includes noise testing.

6:08:06
Gary Curran is in support of the draft revision submitted by the Poulsbo Sportsman Club. He suggested a review of funding options to support the local gun ranges, particularly Kitsap Rifle and Revolver Club.
Chair Simpson asked about funding for what purpose; to bring KRRC up to current safety standards and privacy fencing.
Tom Hamilton asked where Mr. Curran had reviewed the Poulsbo Sportsman Club proposed Ordinance; He read it on Poulsbo Sportsman Club web site.
Doug O’Connor noted that Mr. Curran has technical knowledge of gun ranges and is an active Range Safety Officer.

David Reynard explained the difference of a noise study at Poulsbo Sportsman Club and the Hot Rod “Sound Off Competition.”

Matt Sroka comments on the lack of a noise study and safety issues. He submitted two photos of the surrounding area of Kitsap Rifle and Revolver Club.

Marcus Carter comments on the “No Shooting Zones” in the old Ordinance compared to the new Ordinance.

Jim Sommerhauser asked if any of the competitive shooting sports allow the use of suppressors; Mr. Carter isn’t aware of anyone shooting one during a competition.

Tom Hamilton asked if a suppressor reduced muzzle velocity or power; Mr. Carter stated if it does it would be very minor.

Randall Bragge stated that suppressors reduce noise, doesn’t make the firearm less accurate and doesn’t reduce muzzle velocity. Suppressors can be very expensive. There is a $200.00 federal tax on each one when an unlicensed person purchases or makes one.

Charlie Ely is concerned about the proposed Ordinance and the effects it will have on the current gun ranges in Kitsap County.

Jim Reynolds is a representative from the Poulsbo Sportsman Club. The Club has submitted comments in writing with 14 points, a draft revised Ordinance with language for the Committee’s consideration and a letter from our attorney. A meeting has been arranged between the Poulsbo Sportsman Club’s attorney and Kitsap County’s Prosecutor to discuss the county’s ability to regulate hours and caliber of weapons.

Jim Sommerhauser asked if Kitsap Rifle and Revolver Club would currently meet Poulsbo Sportsman Club’s draft Ordinance suggested regulations regarding sound baffling and other containment; Mr. Reynolds stated he didn’t know if they have recently done a NRA evaluation.

Randall Bragge is concerned the proposed Ordinance will cause the current gun ranges to close.

Larry Keeton asked about the military use of weapons on ranges. Are you aware of any military regulations when the military can use private or public ranges; Mr. Bragge said no.

Marcus Carter stated Kitsap Rifle and Revolver Club are affiliated with the National Rifle Association. Kitsap Rifle and Revolver Club have received an evaluation by the National Shooting Sports Foundation and National Association of Shooting Ranges.

No further public comment.
C. Status of Review Committee Requested Items, Heather Adams, Assistant Planner, DCD

- Written comment period has been extended to November 8, 2012
- SEPA will be done prior to the Public Hearing before the Board of County Commissioners
- City of Bremerton Police Range isn’t open to the public
- Analysis of Gig Harbor Sportsman Club Decision – currently in process by the Kitsap County Prosecutors
- Notified Interested Parties and updated the web site regarding the extension of the written comment period to November 8, 2012
- Legal Notice
- Researching the Paul Bunyan Shooting Range
- Analysis will be done by staff on the public comments
- Bremerton Trap and Skeet Club request to be a permanent member under Title 10.24.105 will have a Work Study before the Board of County Commissioners on November 28, 2012

Chair Simpson reminded everyone that written comment is open until close of business on November 8, 2012.

D. New Business

Discussion is held regarding the SEPA process.
Chair Simpson would like to be allowed to attend November 7, 2012 meeting between the Poulsbo Sportsman Club and Kitsap County Prosecutor.

E. Proposed Future Meeting Dates:

A motion is made by Jim Sommerhauser and seconded by Linda Paralez that the next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 19, 2012 at 4:30 P.M. in the Port Blakley Conference Room.

The Vote:
Yes: 7
No: 0
The motion carries.

A motion is made by Doug O’Connor and seconded by Jim Sommerhauser to set a time-line for completion of our process and additionally as part of that discussion to determine the form and format of our finished product.
Discussion is held regarding the time-line and the recommendation of the proposed Ordinance.
An amendment to the motion is made by Doug O’Connor and seconded by Jim Sommerhauser to remove the “form and format” from the motion since it’s understood by the professionals and we postpone establishing a time-line until the meeting of December 19, 2012.
The Vote:
Yes: 7
No: 0
The motion carries.

Time of Adjournment: 7:27:04

EXHIBITS:
A. September 26, 2012 Review Committee Follow Up

MINUTES approved this _______ day of _______ 2012.

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Gary Simpson Committee Chair

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Karen Ashcraft, Secretary

Upcoming Review Committee Meeting

• December 19, 2012 4:30 P.M. Port Blakely Conference Room