

## **GREATER HANSVILLE AREA ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**TUESDAY, July 10, 2007**

### **MINUTES**

Judy Foritano, Greater Hansville Area Advisory Council (GHAAC) Chair called the organization's eighth meeting to order at 7:05 PM. Twenty five members were present, two members sent proxies, and six were absent. Six guests attended. Phillip Fletcher, Kitsap County Department of Community Development (DCD) also attended as the County representative.

#### **Presentation of Community Interest**

Jon Rose, President of Olympic Property Group (OPG) briefly described his company's vision for the 8,000 acres of tree farm it owns in North Kitsap County, 2,000 acres in the GHA. The land is no longer viable for long-term use as a tree farm, and current zoning would allow subdivision into 20 acre residential lots. OPG proposes to carefully cluster development on 25 percent of the land, dedicating the remaining 75 percent to open space, perhaps combined with long-term timber management and conservation easements. He stressed that OPG is at the very beginning of what could be a very complex planning process, so is attempting to gauge public support for the idea before committing to this course. Launching this process, OPG held a June 27 public meeting in Kingston. Rose is planning to work closely with the GHAAC in the Fall to determine whether and how to go forward with OPG's vision.

#### **Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for the June 12 meeting were unanimously approved, with one correction.

#### **Committee Presentations**

**Traffic Safety** – Gary Paulson noted the June 18 approval of the speed table pilot project by the Board of County Commissioners. He said the County (Jeff Shay) now

believes construction of the speed tables will begin in September/October. The next meeting of the Road Safety Advisory Committee is scheduled for the first week in August. Fred Nelson noted Channel 4's coverage of the project.

The **Salt Water Parks Committee** asked for volunteers to help paint the three pitched-roof cabins at Norwegian Point Park and noted that the County had installed a new parking lot. Thirty residents had attended a Committee meeting to discuss development goals for the Point No Point Resort boat launch. The U.S. Lighthouse Society, now headquartered in San Francisco, is considering moving its office to the Point No Point Lighthouse residence.

The **Energy Committee** said permits for Puget Sound Energy's proposed new substation near Three Berry Lane should be issued within the week. This substation will greatly increase the power capacity to the GHA, and will mean that power outages, when they occur, will be shorter in duration.

The **Greater Hansville Sign Committee** has finalized the sign design and secured funds for construction. It is now seeking funds for installing the sign at the intersection of Hansville and Eglon Rds. The Committee recognized that some Eglon residents had expressed concern about the purpose and location of the sign.

The **Greater Hansville Elder Friendly Housing Solution** reported received good resources from Tania Weintraub of the County's Division of Aging and Long Term Care. A resident near the Hansville Church property expressed concern that a 90-unit residential facility located there would change greatly the character of the rural neighborhood and be inconsistent with County zoning and Growth Management policies. Phillip Fletcher said the County Attorney's office is reviewing the Church's proposal to analyze how it relates to the Growth Management Act and zoning requirements. Judy hoped the Church would be able to make a formal presentation on the proposal to the GHAAC at the September meetings so members could evaluate how the proposal would impact the GHA. Ray Rohay noted that there are no immediate plans to hold a community meeting on the proposal.

Sue Claeys noted that the **Hansville Farmers Market Committee** needed a Chair. This was not an urgent matter, since the Kingston Farmers Market will be handling the Hansville site through this year.

### **Procedural Issues**

Judy Foritano confirmed that the County had formally recognized the GHAAC and its bylaws at a June 18 meeting. A motion was unanimously approved to adopt the bylaws and the associated map with minor amendments (map boundary line in Eglon, names for the South Hood Canal Drive Neighborhood and the Admiralty/Twin Spits Neighborhood and the group name for the Ladies Aid-Cemetery). She asked everyone to become thoroughly familiar with the Kitsap County Advisory Board Handbook, especially the sections on ethics and open meeting laws. In the discussion that followed, members sought clarification on what constituted a public meeting, and the ground rules pertaining to contact with the press. As Operations Manager, Linda Redling will collect upcoming committee meeting times and distribute them to the appropriate media. Tom Ritley suggested that a policy and procedures handbook would help orient new members, and Phillip offered to provide orientation as new members become involved.

Judy noted that the Board of County Commissioners wished to attend a future GHAAC meeting, and it was decided to issue them an invitation for the November meeting. The September meeting would schedule a presentation by the Hansville Community Church on their multi-use proposal, and OPG could brief the GHAAC or a Committee in October.

### **Planning and Priorities**

After a comprehensive discussion of how best to implement the goals of the Hansville Futures study, motions were unanimously approved to form a GHA planning committee and a downtown master plan committee which would work with OPG, the County and residents to carry out objectives defined by the Hansville Futures study. Phillip suggested members review the Keyport downtown planning process to get a better idea of how to approach the work ahead.

### **New Issues/Updates or Prior**

Phillip said the County had agreed with the owner that the **Eyer's junkyard** would be cleaned up by August 1 or the County would "have all available alternatives to bring to bear."

Kinley Deller described his duties as the North end's representative on the Kitsap County Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

### **Announcements**

Fred Nelson said the **Neighborhood Lunch** program urgently needs a volunteer to act as coordinator for this monthly event.

Tom Ritley said the GHCC capital development committee would meet next on July 30. It had decided to add some emergency supplies to the facility, so that it could function as an emergency center in the GHA, but is looking for someone with emergency response experience to provide advice on this..

The following events are coming up:

July 28 – Concert in the Park – Buck Lake, 11:30-6:00

August 8 – Hansville Garden Tour

August 11/12 – Hansville Rummage Sale

The next GHAAC meeting will be on September 11 at 7:00pm at the GHCC.

The meeting closed at 9:25pm