



Central Kitsap Community Council

Monthly Meeting Minutes

September 6, 2023 | 5:00 pm – 6:30 pm
Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue Meeting Room
5300 NW Newberry Hill Road, Silverdale
Online at kcowa.us/CKCC

Present:

Mark Hughes, *Chair*

Brandon Myers, *Vice Chair*

Ryan Wixson, *Secretary*

Steve Fabry

Jeremy Stitt

Lauren Heidt

Monica Downen

Irene Overath

Caleb Reese

David Emmons

Pete Wimmer

Jay Christian

Katie Walters, *County Commissioner*

Anne Presson, *Policy Analyst*

Absent:

Amy Lawrence

Dave Montoure

Jim Aho

Levi Holmes

There were approximately 20 members from the public in attendance.

Dates to Remember:

First Wednesday of each month, 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm

- October 4, 2023 – Kitsap County 2024 Budget outlook, County's purchase of the Dept of Natural Resources Property
- November 1, 2023 – Kitsap County PROS Plan Update; St. Michaels Medical Center Update
- December 6, 2023 – Sheriff's Office and HEART Team Update

Meeting Called to Order

- Mark Hughes, *Chair* called the meeting to order at 5:00PM.

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes

- Caleb Reese moved to approve the June Council minutes Brandon Myers seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion passed unanimously.*
- Monica Downen moved to approve the August agenda; Irene Overath seconded the motion. The Council voted and the motion passed unanimously.*

Community Recognition Katie Walters, Commissioner District 3

- Kitsap County Fair Committee – Celebrating 100 years!



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- Commissioner Walters recognized many outstanding citizens who were instrumental in putting on the 100th edition of the Kitsap County Fair.
- Ken Bagwell, President of the Kitsap County Fair Committee thanked Commissioner Walters for her recognition of the Kitsap County Fair and Stampede Board. He pointed out that there were countless volunteers who came together to put the fair on this year.

New Business

- Sewer rates and Silverdale Pump Station - Stella Vakarcs, Kitsap County Sewer Utility Division Manager (5:10 – 5:30)
- Stella Vakarcs shared information about upcoming sewer rate increases to Kitsap County sewer customers.
- Kitsap County owns and operates five separate sewer utility systems. The utility is funded solely by the rate payers.
- Notice of the proposed rate increase will be sent to all sewer utility customers (September 18th, 2023)
- Additional information is available at kcowa.us/sewerrates

- CKFR CARES program and Station updates – Alex McCracken, CKFR Medical Officer (5:30 – 6:00)
- Alex shared with the CKCC, information about the CKFR Cares program. CK Cares partners a firefighter/paramedic and a social worker as a team to respond to behavioral health events.
- Every year over 10,000 citizens in CK dial 911 and ask for help during a crisis.

Old Business

- Welcome and introduce new Youth Rep - Lauren Heidt, CK High Senior (9/1/23 – 6/30/24)

Public Comment

- No public comment was made during the allotted time for public comment.

Council Announcements & Commissioner Comments

- Council Announcements
- David Emmons shared that several local businesses and the Port of Silverdale created a “pop up ferry” that 2500 riders over the weekend rode from Silverdale to the Bremerton Blackberry Festival.
- Commissioner Comments



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- Commissioner Walters also shared information about the recent “pop up ferry”. She shared that there was a record attendance at the Bremerton Blackberry festival.
- Jay Christian shared that the ER is now fully staffed at St Michael hospital in Silverdale.
- October 4th at 10:00 the St Michael hospital in Silverdale having a ribbon cutting ceremony.
- Kitsap County Comp Plan – September 14 kcowa.us/compplan

Meeting Adjourned

- Mark Hughes, *Chair* adjourned the meeting at 6:32PM.

Respectfully submitted by Ryan Wixson, CKCC Secretary