

Kingston Community Advisory Council (KCAC)

Meeting Minutes

January 11, 2022

Notes taken by: Beth Berglund & Jessica Jetter

This meeting was held via Zoom Video Conferencing as well as in the Village Green Community Center. Chair Alena Wolotira called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

Roll Call:

Present: Jessica Jetter (co-chair), Chris Gilbreath, Tim Davis, Jet Woelke, Glenn Malin, Beth Berglund, Glen Hutchinson, Noah Williams, Kate Joncas, Kaili Campbell, Alena Wolotira, Radim Dedek, Tim Davis, Steve Heacock, Breane Martinez.

Excused Absence: Izzy Kim

Absent: Jeromy Sullivan, Annie Perry

Also present: Commissioner Gelder, and many others both in person and via zoom

Quorum: Yes

Initial Public Comment:

- Mark Libby made a comment about keeping the long term view in mind and keeping in mind what we want incorporated Kingston to be and plan for that.
- None

Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:

Minutes from the December meeting have been circulated to Council members via KCAC email. Interim meeting chair Alena Wolotira asked if anyone had any amendments. *Chris Gilbreath made a motion to approve, Kate Joncas seconded. All ayes. December minutes are approved.*

Reports:

Council Announcements

- Barbara Waggoner is a newly appointed NKSD Board member and will be serving as the NKSD Liaison
- Radim Dedek and Annie Perry are both stepping down and there is a current opening on KCAC for a new at-large representative.
- Organization Reports:
 - Kiwanis Club (Glenn)

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- Scholarships are available to graduating seniors on the website. Qualifying is based on community service. Available to students going onto 4 year, technical college, and 2 year programs.
- o Rotary Club (Chris): Rotary is hosting the upcoming community meal
 - Auction on Sat. Feb 11th
- Port of Kingston (Steve): holiday lights are still up for the moment, shout out to the high school groups that helped put the lights up this year.
- Village Green Foundation (Beth): We anticipate phase 2 of the acoustical tiles in the gymnasium (on the walls) being completed before the end of January. The tiles on the ceiling were installed a number of years ago and improved the acoustics of the gymnasium dramatically. This was a project that was budgeted for last year but supply chain issues caused a delay in getting it done. Because we are choosing durable materials because of them being on the walls and more prone to basketballs and other incidental contact. This project will cost more than \$28,000 with \$18,000 of the funds coming from the Foundation and \$10,000 coming from the shared projects budget item of the VG MPD.

Committee Reports

- Affordable Housing Working Group (Charmaine): partnering with Kingston Cares. Mission to develop a full range of affordable housing in unincorporated North Kitsap County. Wants to provide access to all for safe and appropriate housing opportunities. Urgent need for affordable housing. Shortage is not being met by private development alone. Connected with Kitsap County development group (Central Highlands Homes, based in Poulsbo), exploring future housing projects in Kingston. Also working on possibilities for rehabbing Blue Water Inn for future affordable housing possibilities. Meets second Tuesday of each month at 3:00pm at the Village Green.
- Parks Trails & Open Space (Jet): trail work projects have been happening. The cmtee is advocating for a large sports complex. February 6th at 7PM via zoom. Work parties are coming up.
- Transportation (Tim): Glenn Malin has joined the committee. They are working on Comp Plan recommendations. They are working on a letter to Sen. Christine Rolfes making sure she knows that we are still struggling with Ferry Traffic congestion. Commissioner Gelder added that the County will be advocating for aspects of funding requests (Move Ahead Washington) related to the 104 Realignment project because the current funding plan puts that project back into the 2030s.

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- Community Services: None, the Community Services committee has not met since the December KCAC meeting. Their regular meetings are on the fourth Fridays at 4pm via Zoom.
- Discover Kingston Open House: Kaili Campbell and Chris Gilbreath both volunteered to be on the Committee. Mary Gleysteen has indicated in the past she would participate.
 Rebecca will be available to help with

Special Orders & Unfinished Business:

- Vote regarding 2023 KCAC co-chairs
 - o Beth nominated Kate Joncas, Alena seconded. All ayes. Motion carries.
 - Glen nominated Noah Williams. Chris seconded. All ayes. Motion carries.

New Business:

- KCAC vote on Comp plan approach
 - Beth provided presentation re Comp Plan updates
 - The comp plan working group proposes a height increase for the commercial district within the existing UGA boundary
 - The working group also proposes an expansion for the UGA boundary
 - Discussion followed.
 - Kate made a motion to approve the recommendation on parking, height of commercial zones, and expansion of the UGA boundary. Glen seconded. All Ayes, no objections. Vote passed.
- Determine date for open house (Spring 2023?): Beth asked that this be post
- Vote to approve KCAC 2023 work plan (committee plans needed)
 - Set over for the next KCAC meeting after all committee work plans are received.
 - See 2022 plan here:
 https://www.kitsapgov.com/BOC_p/CAC%20Documents/KCAC%20Work%20Plan
 %202022%20FINAL.pdf
- KCAC guest speaker ideas
 - Local school reps
 - o Dr. Evans
 - Sheriff's office
 - Arborwood developers
 - April meeting should be dedicated to the comp plan
 - Local authors
 - Spoken word poets
- KCAC to consider hosting business round table event
 - Kaili Campbell volunteered to help organized and ask for a list of past participants



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Closing Items:

- Public Comments:
 - Lynn Schorn wants folks to know that on January 24th at VGCC at 6:00PM will be a North STO.
 - o Noah Williams wanted to thank Alena and Jessica for co-chairing during 2022
- Upcoming meetings.
 - o Feb 8: no speaker possibly Kitsap County Sheriff
 - March 8: no speaker possibly Dr. Evans?

Adjourn: Meeting was adjourned by meeting Chair Alena Wolotira at 8:57 PM

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