



KINGSTON COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL

In person at the Village Green Community Center, Kingston

<https://kcowa.us/KingstonCAC>

KCAC MembersAt-Large

Dave Bomalaski
Tim Davis (Co-Chair)
Patrick Heye
Glen Hutchinson
(Co-Chair)
Kate Joncas
Open
Steve Marchese
Breane Martinez
Kaitlin Murray
Alena Wolotira

Representing

Chris Gilbreath
(Kingston-NK Rotary)
Shep Griswold
(Kingston Kiwanis)
Allena Koch
(Kingston Youth)

Ex-Officio(non-voting)

Open
(Village Green
Foundation)
Steve Heacock
(Port of Kingston)
Miranda Smallwood
(North Kitsap School
District)
Marla Powers
(Port Gamble S'Klallam
Tribe)
Jen Skalbeck
(Kingston Chamber
of Commerce)

KCAC Committees

- Community Services
- Environment and Land Use
- Parks, Trails, and Open Space
- Transportation
- Communication

Meeting Minutes

August 12, 2026

6:30 p.m.

Welcome & Call to Order:

- Initial Public Comment (2-minute limit per person)
- No public comment
- Introduction of KCAC Members
 - Excused:
 - Breane Martinez
 - Allena Koch
 - Unexcused:
 - Alena Wolotira
 - Miranda Smallwood
- Commissioner Christine Rolfes Comments
- CM Rolfes introduced a potential member to be nominated for KCAC
- The 104 group is being reconstituted by CM Rolfes to review the performance of the ATMS
- Approval of Prior Meeting Minutes
- Motion by Tim to approve the June meeting minutes, second by Chris, approved by consensus

6:45 p.m.

Ongoing or Unfinished Business:

- Discover Kingston Open House scheduled for 4-7pm, Monday, September 28th. Volunteer sign ups will be going out soon
- Tim reported on the progress, a lot of interest in participation, at 54 signups, can handle 61/6 groups. Will need volunteers from KCAC, Tim will send out a notice.

6:50 p.m.

New Business:

- Open Village Green Foundation, Ex-Officio Position as of June 1, 2026 is open, being discussed
- Open At-Large position(s) to fill
- Patrick H is interested in a Co-Chair position for 2027, Tim asked for additional interest for an additional Co-Chair

7:05 p.m.

Reports on KCAC Business:

- KCAC Committee Reports
 - KPTOS – Shep, workparty Sept 12 at VG. Continued issues at the Heritage Park beaver pond overflowing. KPTOS meeting Sept 8th. (see attached KPTOS Aug Report)
 - Env and Land Use, David B, took a break in July, but reached out to NKU, Clean Air agency, Rural Lands Analysis proceeds, Marla is following Whisper Creek and Port Gamble forest. Meeting next week
 - Community Services – Chris G. Providing support for the August back to school days, meet the bus activity. Recruiting new members, Chris listed the committee goals. Kingston Affordable housing updates: Homes of compassion site has a new vacancy, work party at

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Barrett House. Looking for a safe parking option for Kingston, County working on a framework. In negotiations w Housing Kitsap on the housing project.

- Transportation – Tim – CM Rolfes and KC engineers met w Committee and residents to discuss traffic calming on West Kingston on potential options for traffic control at Lindvog. Also discussed Barber Cutoff and ATMS impacts.

- **Organization Reports**

- Marla Powers, Port Gamble S'Klallam Tribe reported on the canoe journey success. The first foods and fishing derby last weekend and Japanese knotweed treatment with notices. Potential roundabout at Hansville and Little Boston Road. Have a grant for a feasibility study for 104 to the casino. Working on alternative emergency routes
- Jen, Kitsap Chamber of Commerce, update on Port ordered several trash cans to be deployed in Downtown Kingston tomorrow morning, and a small dumpster in Kiwanis Park. Talking to electeds about parking signage in Downtown for parking and ferry directions.
- Steve H, Port, currently working on Christmas displays repairs. Had a grant opportunity for \$100,000 for parking lot repairs. Farmer's market has upgraded both music and vendors. Completing final punch list for the restrooms.
- Jet, Village Green Foundation – tomorrow is Pie in the Park, kids' events and of course PIES, raising money for play equipment.
- Shep, Kiwanis – finished a successful blueberry sale, on the 19th is COHO derby, sold out
- Chris, Rotary – had a successful Golf tournament, youth committee working on scholarships, CS comm approved funds for several local nonprofits. Beautification spending a lot of time caring for the hanging baskets. This fall our local club will join international clubs on world polio day.

7:25 p.m.

Guest Presentation

- Kitsap County Parks Department - Kola Kola Park Update
 - Presentation available on the County KCAC website

7:55 p.m.

Final Public Comment(2-minute limit per person)

- Update on the CLAM radio station Kitsap.org have 300 artists, listenership is up
- CM Rolfe presented a special recognition award to Beth for her service on the KCAC
- Jet noted the lamppost that has been hit and leaning has been reported to the County

8:00 p.m.

Adjournment

Tim moved adjourn at 8:04, Tim seconded , passed by consensus

Upcoming Meetings:

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- September 9 - Kitsap Transit Update, John Clauson
- October 14 – Kitsap County, 2026 Budget Update, Administrative Services Team
- November 11 - ATMS Operational Report
- December 9 – Work Session and discussion of 2027 topics

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From: **Kingston Parks, Trails & Open Space Committee**
To: **KCAC**

Summary of Activity: Summer 2026

A park maintenance work party was held in the Eglon Park and Trails June 13th, 2026.

The 7 participants worked from 10:00am to Noon to accomplish the following:

A Maintenance Focus on the NW Loop Trail

Cleared overgrown brush, and fallen branches, to open the trail and leave mineral earth surface

Cut and cleared several small trees across the trail near the east end of the loop trail

An unscheduled Quiet Place Park Work Party was held on August 10th to cut back and control the sword ferns and nettle growth on the Bluff and Fern Bowl Trails.

A KPTOS monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday 8 September 6:30 to 8:00 pm at Kingston Village Green. The meeting will lay out objectives and for the fall park and trail maintenance work. KPTOS will have a table display at Discover Kingston, and the materials and staffing schedule for the event will be reviewed.

Coming activities:

Saturday, 12 September: Next KPTOS work party for the Village Green Trails

Tue 8 SEP KPTOS Mtg ↗

From: **Kingston Parks, Trails & Open Space Committee**
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Summary of Activity: April & May 2026

A park maintenance work party was held on the GPC/PUD Whisper Creek trail May 9th, 2026.

The 5 participants worked from 10:00am to Noon to accomplish the following:

Focused on Trail Maintenance on Switch Back trail from Whisper Creek up to Ohio Ave:

- a. Cleared overgrown brush, and fallen branches, to open the trail and leave mineral earth surface on all trails
- b. Cut and cleared the large tree across the trail near the upper switchback

April 11th, 2026, VG work party:

- a. A short new trail was constructed to connect the California Avenue entrance to the primary east-west trail.
- b. Another task completed was the installation of a 10-foot section of 12-inch pipe under the California entrance trail, parallel to the existing culvert, to increase the capacity of that drainage system. That drainage system is needed to accommodate the runoff from California Avenue that does not flow into the storm drains.

There is a need for a 25 foot puncheon thru a wet section of trail near the California Avenue entrance. KPTOs is considering asking Rotary to provide financial assistance to construct the puncheon.

The KPTOS monthly meeting was held on Tuesday May 5th, 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Kingston Village Green.

Discussed the future KPTOS work on the Trails, and forest restoration in the Village Green Woods. Also discussed re-aligned our liaison to co-ordinate with the Village Green Stewardship group.

Discussed the Proposed Revisions to 2024-44 Comp Plan and the committee offers the following recommendations to the County:

Concerning Emergency and Evacuation Routes: Some former logging roads that are now used as trails can be improved to ASTO standards similar to the Clear Creek Trail. That configuration would provide emergency vehicle access,

evacuation routes and/or trails that are accessible to users with a wider range of abilities. Specifically:

KPTOS recommends that in the Eglon Forest Park, the former logging roads now used as trails that connect Hoffman Road NE to Parcels Road NE should be upgraded to provide emergency access and evacuation routes. This route could also be an accessible community connector trail between Eglon and Kingston.

KPTOS recommends that the trail segment at the northeast end of the Public Utility District's Whisper Creek trail network should be upgraded to provide an emergency access and evacuation route between Lindvog Avenue NE and Ohio Avenue NE, via NE 272nd Street. We noted that older maps do show a 272nd Street as a connecting right-of-way and road between the long dead-end, and now well populated Ohio and Lindvog Avenues.

Concerning reduction of Fire Risks:

KPTOS notes that in other places around Puget Sound the easements under power lines have been turned into accessible trails suitable for use by light fire equipment and emergency vehicles. Such trails are generally kept free of brush and trees with the potential to fall into the powerlines have been removed.

KPTOS recommends that the Power Line Trail adjacent to the south side of NK Heritage Park be improved and maintained to be useable by emergency vehicles, an accessible trail and potentially a fire break.

Coming activities:

Wednesday, 10 June: KCAC meeting includes a Parks Department Report on Kola Kola Park proposed future developments.

Saturday, 13th June: Next KPTOS work party: at the Eglon Forest Park and Trails

There is a need for temporary signage and trail head maps to guide "lost hikers".