

## SUQUAMISH COMMUNITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

April 6, 2025 (first Thursday of the month)

In person only – Suquamish UCC Church

18732 Division Avenue NE, Suquamish

Meeting called to order at 6:30 PM

**Land Acknowledgement** was read.

**Suquamish Council Members Present:** Ed Mullaney, Tom Curley, Stuart Scadron-Wattles, Martha Burke, Patty Charnas, Bruce McCain, Brian Hegre, Faith Williams, and Steve Warnert

**Suquamish Council Members Absent:** Kristan Webster, and Hanna Moss

**Quorum:** Yes/No (9 TOTAL members, 6 for quorum)

**Kitsap County Staff:** James Bunn, Kitsap County Commissioners Office

**Community Members:** Sixteen were present

■ Introductions were made by Council members

■ Initial Public Comments:

A question was asked about the status of the new Suquamish Fire Station. Tom Curley responded that the Tribe was in conversation with the Fire Department about where to locate the new station.

■ Commissioner's Comments: Commissioner Rolfes was not present

■ **Ongoing or Old Business**

- Approval of the March 6, 2025 Meeting Minutes. They were moved, seconded, and approved.
- PROS Package and letter conveyed
  - The letter was given to the Commissioners.
  - Martha Burke stated that maintenance work on the sports court will be proceeding.
  - Jim Bunn stated that some changes may be made to the Plan and he will let the Council know what they are.
- SCAC Workplan: reports/updates/discussion
  - Ed Mullaney mentioned that traffic concerns in Suquamish are mentioned in the Puget Sound Regional Safety Action Plan

## ■ **Guest Presentations**

- **Suquamish Emergency Preparedness and Community Initiatives** by Cherrie May, Emergency Manager for the Suquamish Tribe
  - Ms. May updated the Emergency Plan and its various projects.
  - A major component of the Plan is Evacuation, including routes, community points of distribution locations, and communication.
  - Another important component is Sheltering, both warming and cooling structures, which will be provided in partnership with Kitsap County government.
  - An effort that is being conducted in cooperation with regional and state-wide emergency agencies is the “Ready, Set, Go” program.
- **Kitsap County Emergency Preparedness** by Dave Rasmussen, Educator for Kitsap County Department of Emergency Management
  - The Department emphasizes disaster and emergency responses to the Kitsap community, including supporting people with access and functional needs during emergency incidents.
  - It facilitates accurate communications throughout the county through emergency alerts, flyers, and public education and outreach. For example, it plans evacuation routes and organizes family and neighborhood preparedness programs.
  - It provides healthcare workers during emergency support during disaster incidents.
  - It plans to build a new emergency operations center next to the Kitsap Airport.

## ■ **New Business**

- **SCAC student membership.**
  - The membership was in unanimous agreement that this is a good idea, and that it will be necessary to change our bylaws. In the meantime someone at the County Commissioners Office will be looking into this process.
  - A motion was made to change to bylaws, which was seconded and approved. Stuart volunteered to make these changes, and they will be ready by the next Council Meeting.
- **Annual Suquamish Clean-up Day.** The Day will take place on April 26, beginning at 9:00 AM at the United Church of Christ.
- **Summer Recess Meeting.** After some discussion, it was the consensus of the membership to table the decision until the May meeting.
- **Annual SCAC Picnic.** It was moved/seconded/approved to have the Picnic on Aug. 9.
- **Outreach for the SCAC.** The consensus of the members was to consult with Commissioner Rolfes about this matter.
- **Presentation for May meeting.** The subject will be Stormwater Management.

■ Public Comments & Good of the Order - There were no public comments.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 PM.

The next meeting will be May 1 at 6:30pm at the UCC Church, 18732 Division Ave. NE.

Minutes submitted by Bruce McCain