



Central Kitsap Community Council

Monthly Meeting Minutes

August 2, 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*

Jim Aho

Levi Holmes

Steve Fabry

Jeremy Stitt

Monica Downen

Irene Overath

Caleb Reese

David Emmons

Pete Wimmer

Katie Walters, *County Commissioner*

Anne Presson, *Policy Analyst*

Absent:

Nadine Dockendorf

Amy Lawrence

Dave Montoure

Jay Christian

There were approximately 30 members from the public in attendance.

Dates to Remember:

- September 6, 2023 – Stella Vakarc, Kitsap County Public Works – Sewer Utility, to present information on 2024 sewer rate changes
- October 4, 2023 - TBD

Meeting Called to Order

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

Approval of the Agenda and Minutes

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

Community Recognition Katie Walters, Commissioner District 3

- **Gaylene McCray – Leading Old Town and Bayshore Drive clean-up efforts.**
- Commissioner Walters recognized Gaylene McCray, a newer resident to Central Kitsap who has been working to improve the beauty of Old Town Silverdale, Gaylene has helped start cleanups and restored landscaping. Commissioner Walters also recognized others who have helped alongside Gaylene, who were not in attendance at the meeting.



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- Commissioner Walters recognized several members of the Central Kitsap Community Council who were able to walk alongside the CKFR Firetruck in the Whaling Days parade.

New Business

- Critical Areas Ordinance (CAO) Presentation - Colin Poff and Carla Lundgren, Kitsap County Department of Community Development
- Mark welcomed Carla and Colin from DCD.
- Carla gave a detailed presentation including many facts about Kitsap County Wetlands and future code updates to Kitsap Counties Critical areas.
- Carla Shared that 66% of land in Kitsap County has one or more critical areas present on it.
- People who want more information or to be included in the discussion are invited view the project webpage at: kcowa.us/cao
- Comments & Questions can be shared at codeupdates@kitsap.gov

- Colin Poff gave a presentation on the Comprehensive Plan Committee and their findings through their meetings over the last couple of months.
- Colin shared that Silverdale is set to take a large amount of job and living growth over the next 20 years.
- Colin shared opinions from the committee including a need for a community gathering space, use of the existing waterfront park, and transportation "Opportunity Projects".
- Members of the council commented on increasing safety for pedestrians and the potential need for a park and ride.
- Multiple comments were made about better pedestrian path connectivity between popular Silverdale areas.

Old Business

- CAO Committee update - – Anne Presson, Kitsap County
- Anne shared that Target has hired a company to removed abandoned shopping carts from Central Kitsap roads and side streets.
- Anne shared information on a new non-profit who is helping provide regular garbage collection at & around homeless encampments www.sponsor-a-can.org
- Parks and Recreation Open Space (P.R.O.S.) Plan update – Anne Presson, Kitsap County
- Anne shared information about Parks and Rec collecting opinions from the public about what the public would like to see in Kitsap County Parks.

Public Comment



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- Joyce from the public shared about an accident that occurred where she was hit by a bicycle as a pedestrian.
- A member from the public named Joe shared information about his idea for a non-profit opportunity for a youth center in Silverdale.

Council Announcements & Commissioner Comments

- Council Announcements
- The council welcomed a new youth council member named Lauren, a student at Central Kitsap High School.
- Council member Brandon Myers shared information about community outreach that the Kitsap County Sheriff's Office is doing involving a new law taking effect August 14th that will make public drug use illegal again.
- Commissioner Comments
- Commissioner Walters told the council and the public about a new senior center with meetings on the last Friday of each month at 1pm in the community room at the Kitsap Mall.
- The 100th anniversary of the Kitsap County Fair from August 23rd to August 27th

Meeting Adjourned

- Mark Hughes, *Chair* adjourned the meeting at 6:37PM.

Respectfully submitted by Ryan Wixson, CKCC Secretary