

Minutes- Draft

Four Creeks Unincorporated Area Council

Regular Meeting Minutes – March 21, 2007 at May Valley Alliance Church

Submitted by David Braswell, Secretary

Attending Members:

D1: Rick Spence X

D2: Eileen Lane X

D3: Karen Kidwell X

D4: David Braswell X

D5: Tom Carpenter O

D6: Bette Filley X

D7: Marshall Brenden X

D8: Dick Fackenthall X

D9: Sharon Schimke O

D10: Larry Wright X

D11: John Vukov X

At-Large 1: Rich Nelson O

At-Large 2: Doug Bandelin O

At-Large 3: Edie Jorgensen X

At-Large 4: Chuck Pillon O

Call to Order:

President Rick Spence called the Meeting to Order at 7:10 p.m.

Sheriff's Report:

Deputy Jeff Harmon introduced himself to everyone present. He is the new Deputy assigned to the Four Creeks Storefront Office. Deputy Harmon reported that Burglaries are up (12 in February compared to 4 in January). Deputy Harmon noted that 2 of the burglaries were commercial, and the other 10 were residential. Deputy Harmon also reported that the department made 2 Burglary arrests this month, and that he is going to meet with a Burglary/Larceny Detective later this month to discuss this recent spike in burglaries. He also reported that Larcenies are down (11 in February compared to 19 in January), and that Auto Thefts remained the same (1 in February and 1 in January). Sergeant Alexander, the K.C. Sheriff's Storefront Supervisor was also present at the meeting, and she introduced herself to those present.

Guest Speaker: Harry Reinert from King County D.D.E.S., on Shoreline Management

Harry informed the Council of King County's current Shoreline Management Plan Update Project. He noted that the County is starting a process, and have gathered lots of information in order to make recommendations regarding regulations later on. They intend to make new proposals later this year, and are seeking input at this stage.

He noted that the Shoreline Act applies to shorelines and areas 200 ft. adjacent to the shorelines, and that the basic objectives of the Act are to protect the environmental quality of the water and to preserve areas for recreational and economic uses. The King County Plan takes care of the Vashon Island Shoreline, bigger rivers in the county, and lakes over 20 acres.

Harry pointed out that by and large, the Shorelines in the County are doing pretty well. He noted again that this project is still in its early phases, and that he will be in contact with us later.

Guest Speaker: Bill Turner, Code Enforcement Officer, King County D.D.E.S., Land Use Services Division

Mr. Turner reminded the Council that his assigned area includes May Valley, and that fortunately there are not a lot of complaints in this area. He deals with Construction, Land Use, and Property Maintenance Codes, as well as tenant complaints and housing inspections. He currently has approximately 185 cases in all his assigned areas. He briefly mentioned 3 different complaints affecting the Four Creeks' area: 1) code violations in about six properties around the intersection of 164th and 116th; 2) a fire (arson) off 164th last November that resulted in lots of burned computer materials being left on the site. The property owner is currently working on this problem; and 3) transient people staying on undeveloped properties off 128th Street.

Guest Speaker: Matt Dunaho from King Conservation District

Mr. Dunaho informed the audience about the history and aims of the King Conservation District, and gave an extremely informative powerpoint presentation on KCD's activities. He also distributed a pamphlet on Best Land Practices – Tips on Land and Water Management.

Mr. Dunaho explained that the KCD can help people with Farm Plans when they are facing some kind of Code Enforcement, and that the KCD can help landowners find ways

to comply with codes. Also, KCD is not affiliated with King County, even though the name might suggest that, and it is not involved in any enforcement action. He also reminded everyone that the Small Farm Expo will be held in Enumclaw this Saturday.

SPECIAL MEETING SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 4

In light of time constraints, President Rick Spence called for a Special Meeting to take place on April 4. All other Council Business (e.g. approval of minutes, Treasurer's Report, Committee Reports) is deferred until this meeting.

The Meeting was Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.