

Four Creeks Unincorporated Area Council

Meeting Logistics:

When:

3rd Wednesday of the month

Where:

May Valley Alliance Church
16431 SE Renton Issaquah Road
Renton, Washington 98059

Time:

7 PM to 9 PM

Four Creeks
Unincorporated Area Council



Meeting Minutes Sept 21, 2011

Submitted by Edie Jorgensen and Pete Eberle

Attendance	District	Name	Attendance	At Large	Name
O	1	Vacant	X	AL1	Pete Eberle (Pres)
O	2	Vacant	X	AL2	Paul Dutton
X	3	Tom Carpenter	X	AL3	Edie Jorgensen (VP)
O	4	Vacant	X	AL4	Rich Nelson (Treas)
O	5	Vacant	O	AL5	Sean Kronberg (Sec)
X	6	Bette Filley	X	Temp AL1	Jim Hoel
X	7	Sharon Schimke			
X	8	Dick Fackenthall			
O	9	Vacant			
X	10	Vernon Redecker			

President's Welcome/ Overview of Agenda: Pete Eberle

Edie and Pete took notes for tonight's meeting.

Public Comment:

None

Guests present- Herb Scheda, Debi Eberle, Marissa Alegria

Guest Speakers:

Matt Nolan (Manager of Roads Division, being laid off due to economy) and Will Fogelberg, Maintenance Supervisor from King County Roads gave a presentation on the proposed Roads Maintenance Program Tier system and Budget impacts.

KC adopted priorities for Roads Department are, 1.Meet regulatory requirements, 2 – Maintain core safety of roads, 3 – maintain and preserve roadways. 4 – Capital improvements. Current estimated needs budget is \$240 million and only \$102 million is currently available. Using the proposed tiered maintenance system they expect to run out of money with fewer roads maintained to current levels. In the FCUAC area 12% of local road miles are in the Tier 1 group, 5.7% of local road miles are in the Tier 2 group, 13.5% of local road miles are in the Tier 3 group, 30% of local road miles are in the Tier 4 Group and 36% of local road miles are in the Tier 5 group. The majority of road funding will go to Tier 1 roads which are used by all county residents and supported only by rural area residents. It was noted that license plate studies showed that 50% of trips on Tier 1 roads are commuters, not rural area residents. More detail on the proposed Tier system is available at <http://www.kingcounty.gov/roads/newservicelevels>. Mr. Nolan noted that the system has not yet been adopted and residents may provide their input to elected officials. He reported that there was an 8% reduction in Roads staffing and that over 20 people had just received layoff notices.

Committee Reports:

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Secretary: Previous meeting minutes distributed and read by members. August 17, 2011 minutes approved as written by unanimous vote of those present.

Treasurer: Rich Nelson – No changes from last month; still need invoices from Tom for National Night Out expenses to process for reimbursement.

Executive Committee: Edie noted that agenda had been developed for tonight's meeting

President: Pete Eberle

Pete announced that there is a community meeting of the Cedar River Council on Sept 27th from 6:00PM – 8:00PM at Royal Arch Park, 20821 Renton Maple Valley Rd S, Maple Valley, WA 98038-8967 and a public meeting concerning the Cedar Hills Landfill on Tuesday, October 25, 2011, 7-9 p.m. at the King County Library Service Center 960 Newport Way NW, Issaquah 98027

Also the Natural Yard Care Classes being co-sponsored by FCUAC will begin on October 3rd at the Evergreen Community Church. Subsequent classes will be held on the 11th, 18th, and 25th of October.

New Business:

- The Election Process for this year was discussed. Tom Carpenter provided printed copies for members detailing the election process which is recommended for this year. The documents are being made available on the website as well. Tom walked us through an overview of the process, procedures for both the previous method of elections by mail (to be documented and archived for historical records), a new process of elections held by in-person voting at a public meeting, and the changes to the bylaws to update the precincts. Members were asked to approve the following 3 **motions** to allow us to move ahead with a cost-effective election process for 2011 (2012 council seats).

- 1) Approve the proposed approach to hold the election for all council members at the November meeting
- 2) Approve the proposed high level election calendar as presented
- 3) Approve a proposed contingency budget of \$50.00

A motion was made to approve the above three items by Tom Carpenter and seconded by Jim Hoel. The motion carried with a **unanimous vote** of the Council.

Dick Fackenthal requested that it be clear that the Election required the person be present in order to vote; there was general concurrence.

The proposed bylaw changes will be voted on at the October meeting in accordance with bylaw requirements.

- Tom C gave a brief report on the GMPC (Growth Management Planning Council) which is in the process of revising and updating the Countywide Planning Policies. As a result of public input, GMPC is forming a Taskforce to study the question of exempting schools from proposed changes to the Comprehensive Plan regarding siting of schools in the rural area (which serve urban areas).
- A short discussion was had on the subject of applying for Non Profit status with the IRS. Pete provided a handout that describes the application process with the intent of further discussion and direction to be decided on at the next meeting. Members were asked to read the information. Without recognition as a 501(c)3 organization by the IRS, Tom said there would not be corporate donations available to FCUAC (such as Starbucks support for National Night Out activities).
- Meeting adjourned at approximately 9:20 pm.

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Attachments: none