

Four Creeks Unincorporated Area Council

Regular Meeting Minutes – March 17, 2004

Submitted by Gwendolyn High

Attending:

D1: Dick Colasurdo	
D2: Gwendolyn High	X
D3: Grant Smith	
D4: Heather Colburn	X
D5: Ronda Bryant	X
D7: Marshall Brenden	X
D8: Kate Kaluzny	
D10: Vern Redecker	
D11: Kelly Faoro	X
AL: Dave Dahlin	
AL: Edie Jorgensen	X
AAL: Dick Fackenthall	X
AAL: Marilyn Sullivan	X

to Order and Opening Remarks:

- Edie J. called the meeting to order at 7:05pm
 Edie reported that our Treasurer and District 8 member, Kate Kaluzny, had recently been appointed a Fire Commissioner for Fire District #10. Fire District meetings conflict with UAC meetings. Due to this conflict and to the increased demands on Ms. Kalzny's time, she has submitted her resignation. Edie reported on correspondence in regard to the request of Dick Bonewits for FCUAC member's comments on the issues under consideration by the King County Governance Commission – particularly in regard to the proposal for Townships to be introduced into King County Government. Edie supplied the comments provided to her to Mr. Bonewits. The consensus of those comments was that the Townships proposal inadequately identified the functions, authority and budgeting (among other issues) for Townships. The Governance Commission is expected to support the proposal for Townships.

Procedure for Issues and Correspondence to be Raised:

- Kelly F. presented a draft of steps to guide the UAC in its efforts to address the concerns of the community and allow adequate advance notice and sufficient distribution of information so that all members of the public and the council may participate cooperatively.

This proposal has been reviewed at the January and February 2004 Regular Meetings and has received favorable support.

Edie J. presented some suggestions, including a Purpose Statement and a few wording clarification. The full proposed policy was read and the following vote conducted:

Item/Motion Description	Member	Motion Made By	2nd	Aye	Nay	Abstain
2004.03.17 - Adopt the proposed p...y, as amended in discussion and as edited for grammar and syntax.	D1: Dick Colasurdo					
	D2: Gwendolyn High		X	X		
	D3: Grant Smith					
	D4: Heather Colburn				X	
	D5: Ronda Bryant					X
	D7: Marshall Brenden				X	
	D8: Kate Kaluzny					
	D10: Vern Redecker					
	D11: Kelly Faoro	X			X	
	AL: Dave Dahlin					
	AL: Edie Jorgensen				X	
	AAL: Dick Fackenthall				X	
	AAL: Marilyn Sullivan				X	
	Result: PASSED				7	0

Deputy's Report:

- - Distributed this month's maps
- 6 burglaries in Feb - down from 7 in Jan
- 3 auto thefts in Feb – same as Jan
- 8 larcenies in Feb – down from 21 in Jan

Deputy Maxwell has not yet heard any specifics about possible impending cuts to Sheriff's budget.

There was considerable discussion of mail theft in our area. Kelly F. related that there had been at least 6 unreported cases of mail theft in her development. Deputy Maxwell confirmed that auto theft and mail theft are the 2 top issues for our area. Kelly reported that if a group of at least 8 homeowners take a police report of mail theft to the Post Office, the Post Office will supply a locking mailbox free of charge. The homeowners must install the box.

Transportation Committee Report:

- Gwendolyn H. gave a brief update on the results of the comments that FCUAC had submitted regarding the Transportation elements of the proposed Comp Plan Update. All of the cities and the Suburban Cities association echoed our concerns over the proposed Level of Service reductions and other items. In the Comments Matrix, King County lumped all transportation related comments from all sources together under "See transportation comments" and there stood by all of the original proposed changes. No changes were proposed by the Executive's office as a result of comments.

Recent newspaper articles outlining the immediate postponement of 100% of transportation capacity improvements are on indefinite hold were also discussed. This will potentially have enormous impact throughout the entire county.

Executive Committee Report:

Edie J. reported on the recent results of the Executive Committee's operational efforts:

- Secretary will hold all excess Treasurer supplies until a new Treasurer is seated. Secretary is not authorized to sign for FCUAC on the checking account.
- First Tuesday of the month was proposed as the standing Executive Committee Meeting – dependant on securing an acceptable meeting location.

Election Committee Report:

- March 3rd was the first Election Committee meeting. Edie J. and Ronda B. attended. Ronda B. was elected chair of the committee.

There was much discussion of the appropriate focus of the committee as well as concerns for open meeting processes and how best to organize the Election Committee's efforts. It was decided that the Committee would be broken into 2 sub-committees:

Pre-Election (chaired by Ronda B.) will focus on the layout and distribution of the ballot and Post-Election (chaired by Kelly F.) will be in charge of counting and reporting and will have 2 members from the public. The remaining members of the original committee will be contacted by the respective sub-committee chairs and divided according to interest and needed skills.

Treasurers Report:

- Edie J. submitted the final Treasurer's report from Kate K. One copy was entered into the Treasurer's notebook and one into the Secretary's notebook.

Date/Motion Description	Member	Motion Made By	2nd	Aye	Nay	Abstain
2004.03.17 Approve the Treasurer's report as submitted	D1: Dick Colasurdo					
	D2: Gwendolyn High			X		
	D3: Grant Smith					
	D4: Heather Colburn	X		X		
	D5: Ronda Bryant		X	X		
	D7: Marshall Brenden			X		
	D8: Kate Kaluzny					
	D10: Vern Redecker					
	D11: Kelly Faoro				X	
	AL: Dave Dahlin					
	AL: Edie Jorgensen				X	
	AAL: Dick Fackenthall				X	
AAL: Marilyn Sullivan				X		
Result: PASSED				8	0	0

Date/Motion Description	Member	Motion Made By	2nd	Aye	Nay	Abstain
2004.03.17 Adopt the Minutes of the February 18, 2004 Regular Meeting	D1: Dick Colasurdo					
	D2: Gwendolyn High	X		X		
	D3: Grant Smith					
	D4: Heather Colburn		X	X		
	D5: Ronda Bryant			X		
	D7: Marshall Brenden			X		
	D8: Kate Kaluzny					
	D10: Vern Redecker					
D11: Kelly Faoro						X

	AL: Dave Dahlin					
	AL: Edie Jorgensen			X		
	AAL: Dick Fackenthall			X		
	AAL: Marilyn Sullivan			X		
R	7 PASSED			7	0	1

Unfinished Business:

- Marshall B. gave an update report on the progress of the proposed changes to King County's Critical Areas Ordinance:
 - Marshall attended the County Council's Growth management and Unincorporated Areas Committee meeting on Mar 16.
 - This was a staff to council member briefing only – no public testimony.
 - Copies of the latest version of the proposed changes will be available at libraries, DDES and on the internet in the next few days.
 - An attorney from the Prosecuting Attorney's Office presented some background on relatively recent state Supreme Court cases challenging Island County's buffers. Controversy is expected on King County's proposed buffer changes.
 - One of the changes that is now being proposed as a result of comments and input over the last review cycle is "agricultural plans". These apply only to designated agricultural zones and allow some mitigation variance upon approval of each individual agricultural plan.
 - Also newly proposed per comments is a related program offer "stewardship plans". These would be available to all rural property owners throughout the county. Marshall reported that he expects some opposition to this proposal as it is only available to rural property owners.
 - More Public Hearing will be scheduled by the county. They will be posted on www.fourcreeks.org as soon as they are available.

Appointments to Open Seats

- Due to originally unfilled seats from last year's election and the recent vacation of additional seats, FCUAC began this meeting with the following open seats:
 - District 6
 - District 9
 - At Large
 - At Large

David Rockabrand, last year's FCUAC president, declared his willingness to fill an Appointed At Large seat. Mr. Rockabrand resides in District 1 and is eligible to serve as no other At Large members have been appointed from District 1. David was unanimously affirmed and is the 3rd Appointed At Large member for this term.

Kate Kaluzny represented District 8. With her resignation, Dick Fackenthall, who had been the 1st Appointed At Large member for this session, moves into this District seat.

The remaining Open Seats will be updated on www.fourcreeks.org.

New Business:

- Marissa A. supplied the members with the 2004 King County Plans booklets. These booklets list all the work the County will address this year and the issues on which it is seeking public comment. Edie J. asked all members to review and propose topics to be addressed at the next meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:57pm.

Initially submitted via email (US mail to Dick C.) to all UAC members (US mail to Dick C.) on March 22, 2004. - gh