

Four Creeks Unincorporated Area Council

Regular Meeting Minutes – July 19, 2006 at May Valley Alliance Church

Submitted by Bette Filley.

Attending:

D1: Rick Spence	
D2: Eileen Lane	X
D3: Bob Davis	
D4: OPEN	
D5: Tom Carpenter	X
D6: Dellanie Fragnoli	
D7: Marshall Brenden	X
D8: Dick Fackenthall	X
D9: Sharon Schimke	X
D10: Grant Smith	X
D11: John Vukov	
AL: Dave Dahlin	X
AL: Edie Jorgensen	X
AL: Richard Maki	
AAL: Bette Filley	X

Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order by Dave D. at 7:07 p.m.

Main Topic – BRED Ordinance Changes

Presentation by Julia Larson and Paul Reitenbach

The meeting was called to order at 7:04 by V.P. Dave Dahlin

A report was given on President Rick Spence’s condition.

Officer Steve gave a report that the previous month there had been 11 burglaries, 5 auto thefts and 16 larcenies. There was a discussion of a house behind Leonards’ that had suspicious (suspected drug) activity. A neighbor who complained had a restraining order filed against her.

There were no minutes from the previous month.

The treasurer’s report showed that there was \$254.43 in the treasury, and there had been no activity.

Sharon gave a report on Cedar Grove Compost. She calls and complains daily about the smell. Dave told her to call him and they would work together on this. Dick Bonewitz said he has had dealings with them also, and the Puget Sound Clean Air Agency is the agency to call for help.

Tom Carpenter read a copy of the letter he sent on behalf of 4Creeks UAC to DDES. He brought us up to date on the meetings with Paul and Julia.

Julia Larson talked about home based businesses in unincorporated areas. Enforcement actions in the rural areas were analyzed as part of the effort with DDES. Two time periods were sampled. The first was from 2003-2005 where there were 114 enforcement actions relevant to home-based businesses. At our request sample data was also pulled from the period 1995-1997 where there were 40 such actions.

Dick Bonewitz expressed concern about stakeholder notifications. They send notices to a 47 page list of primarily non-rural people, when they should be mailing to rural stakeholders, not urban people with no investment. He said the rural policies are being developed by urban people, and they are spending more energy on urban cities, Chambers of Commerce, etc.) than on rural people.

Paul Carkeek responded that DDES refused to comment on a key piece of legislation regarding public notification. A 7:30 meeting was missed because there was not enough notification.

Julia Larson said she's here to coordinate Rural Economic Strategies. That rural Chambers of Commerce were at the Enumclaw meeting. The plan includes forestry changes, agricultural changes and home occupation proposed amendments. She wants reviews and new comments and suggestions. She's recommending DDES hire a rural permit coordinator, non-fee based. She wants comments relevant to the proposed ordinance changes put in writing, identify yourself, where you're from and whether you're rural.

Jeff Clayton with Bear Creek said he's sending notice something about conditional use, home business many do not need permits.

Grant Smith asked for Julia's phone number.

Paul Reitenbach will get "product" by August 31, an 11-page handout explaining abbreviations.

- (1) will allow thinning (forestry) in buffer zones. No permit needed for every tree in buffer zones.
- (2) Animal Care doesn't include horses. Only doggie day care (new) will require a conditional use permit.
- (3) Agricultural changes. Definitions added, increasing # of temporary housing units.
- (4) Retail nurseries 3,500 sq. ft. Somebody in the audience asked why the size limit.

Dick Fackenthal pointed out that conditional use requires a permit which takes time, money and process. Permitted use is allowed by outright

Wineries can be up to 3,000 Sq. ft.

RE: the notification issue, it will be in the county agenda. The mailing list is old and out of date.

Page 7. Changes to Home based business. Current 20% to be used for home business. Change allows garage and outbuildings too + 1% of lot OK for parking, storage or use.

Tom made a motion to extend for 15 minutes. Dick Fackenthal seconded. All voted aye.

Outdoor storage can be up to 5,000 sq. ft. if you have 11 acres.

P. 8. Landscaping needed. This also covers one non-resident employee who visits site.

Dick Fackenthal asked to amplify electrical and mechanical equipment. Change involves interference with radio and TV. Dick Bonewitz told Dick to write in and comment on parking, -- 1 stall for non resident employee and 1 stall for patrons visiting the site.

P. 9. Vehicles – 1 vehicle current.

Paul Carkeek said the changes aren't sufficient. Dick Bonewitz said we need to follow this rigorously. We need one more run at it.

Edie made a motion that in the absence of the president and V.P. a committee chair is authorized to represent the UAC. The motion was seconded by Sharon. All voted Aye.

The meeting adjourned at 9:15.

Submitted by Bette Filley, Acting Secretary