



## February 2023 Virtual Meeting Minutes (draft)

**Before the business meeting began, President Rachel Shepard** welcomed attendees and shared general information about Fall City Community Association (FCCA). The FCCA is a nonprofit, membership-based organization focused on community building, communication, and coordination. View her presentation and/or learn more about the FCCA at [www.fallcity.org](http://www.fallcity.org).

**President Shepard** opened the business meeting at 7:10pm and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Motion re January 2023 Minutes:** Moved, Seconded and Approved.

**Motion re Updating Signers on the FCCA Bank Accounts:** Moved, Seconded and Approved.

### **January Highlights:**

A key focus in January was development! Over 100 people attended the Hearing Examiner's session regarding the Preliminary Plat Application for Fall City II, and updating Fall City's Subarea Plan continues. Also, Fall City Day is gearing up and looking for volunteers!

### **King County Grant Opportunities**

King County offers a large grant program and Fall City technically qualifies for many of the grants. However, we don't have anyone to write grant proposals. If you are interested and experienced in grant-writing, please email [ilovefallcity@gmail.com](mailto:ilovefallcity@gmail.com).

### **Fall City Sustainable Growth, Mike Suelzle, [www.savefallcity.org](http://www.savefallcity.org)**

The nonprofit was formed by community members not because they are anti-growth but so they can advocate to maintain Fall City's rural character, stop the clustering of homes, maintain R4 zoning (4 homes per acre), maintain safe, clean drinking water, and make sure our roads are safe for pedestrians, bicyclers, and equestrian riders. The group needs more volunteers and will fundraise to cover expenses for legal and engineering expertise and studies. If you would like to help, email [fallcitySG@outlook.com](mailto:fallcitySG@outlook.com); next meeting is February 21<sup>st</sup> at 5:30pm in the library.

*Fall City II Preliminary Plat Information* – our strong attendance demonstrated our care about the community and our desire to maintain our rural character. While the Examiner approved the preliminary plat, there are still hurdles the Developer must clear including final design, building permits, road improvement approvals, and approval from our State Department of Health for the Large Onsite Septic Systems (LOSS) being proposed. Stay energized, the process is slow!

*Call to Action:* February 28, another hearing for Cedar 23. Comments must be received by 4:00pm on February 14<sup>th</sup>. For more information, go to the group's website, [www.savefallcity.org/cedar-23](http://www.savefallcity.org/cedar-23)

**Sub-Area Planning, Jacqueline Reid, KC Subarea Planner, Anji Donaldson, Chair**

Jacqueline encouraged community members to review the subarea's concept document and complete the survey by February 24<sup>th</sup> at <https://www.publicinput.com/SnoValleyNEKC>.

Later in the meeting Anji shared the groups requests to develop code to protect our rural character, work with WSDOT to implement SR 202 Corridor improvements, etc.

See [www.fallcity.org/fall-city-subarea-plan.html](http://www.fallcity.org/fall-city-subarea-plan.html) for more information.

**Fall City Septic Association, Jeff Wilson, [jefwilson@kingcounty.gov](mailto:jefwilson@kingcounty.gov)**

Final design and construction documents should be finalized by March, and they hope to break ground in late summer or early fall of 2023.

**Roads, Carrie Lee**

Possible grants for project management, feasibility studies, etc. will be discussed with the Metropolitan Parks District. Work continues to acquire rotating radar signs for messaging, speed, etc. in 8 high risk areas.

**National Night Out, Carrie Lee**

First meeting Wednesday, Feb 22 at 7:00pm via zoom. If you would like to attend, write [fallcityevent@gmail.com](mailto:fallcityevent@gmail.com). The event will support King County Search & Rescue which is the umbrella organization for 9 different groups as well as a frequent collaborator with King County Sheriff's office.

**River Floating, Tom Gomez and John Taylor**

To provide better coordination and further clarify responsibility for various aspects of floating, Fall City Floating will report to King County (Local Services, Fish & Wildlife, Parks in coordination with Roads, Sheriff, etc.), and the County and Fall City Floating will provide reports to the FCCA.

**Climate Change and Gardening, Susan Miller**

Susan recommended that the Climate Change Committee be discontinued at this time. She will continue to include climate change information in her monthly "Garden Corner" articles in Fall City Neighbors.

**Fall City Day - 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary - June 10th**

"Heroes Among Us" is this year's theme! The group is looking for a 3-person parade committee; they plan to have 80 vendors and are hoping to partner with non-profits and youth organizations. To participate, join the next meeting, Feb 16<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm at Hauglie Insurance.

**Community Center**

After brief discussion, it was moved, seconded, and approved that a Community Center Committee be formed to develop needs, scoping, outreach, and work with the county on feasibility and siting.

**Fall City Library, Mary Comstock**

There was discussion about holding a hybrid FCCA meeting at the library. January library traffic was up 26% and circulation up 19%! Visit <https://kcls.org/locations/fall-city/> to learn about events, etc.

**Empower Youth Network Upcoming Events. [empoweryouthnetwork.org/](http://empoweryouthnetwork.org/)**

Youth Engagement Event: bowling this Friday 2/10

Youth Mental Health First Aid: free in Carnation, 2/25, 9:00am-5:00pm

Resilience Rising: virtual conference 3/3, 8:00am-3:00pm

President Shephard reminded community members to complete the subarea concept document survey and adjourned the meeting at 8:10pm.

**Next FCCA Meeting: March 7<sup>th</sup>, 7:00pm via Zoom, Facebook Live and Phone.**

**Other Ways to Connect:**

King County Dept of Local Services: [asklocalservices@kingcounty.gov](mailto:asklocalservices@kingcounty.gov) [www.kingcounty.gov](http://www.kingcounty.gov)

Fall City Community Association: [ilovefallcity@gmail.com](mailto:ilovefallcity@gmail.com) [www.fallcity.org](http://www.fallcity.org)

Watch this meeting at [www.fallcity.org](http://www.fallcity.org).