



## **FALL CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION March 2017 Meeting Minutes**

President Ashley Glennon welcomed attendees, called the meeting to order, reviewed the agenda and led the Pledge of Allegiance/Moment of Silence. Those attending (nearly 30) introduced themselves.

**Minutes:** The minutes of the February 2017 meeting were approved. (MSP)

### **Fall City Library Update**

Michelle Drovdahl provided information about the development of a new King County Library System Strategic Plan. After much input and feedback, three draft strategic scenarios have been developed to guide and support the 49 KC libraries in addressing community concerns: Connections and Navigation, Belonging and Skill Building. Michelle encouraged the group to provide input to help the KC Library System narrow the three options to a single strategic direction through the survey offered at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/draftscenarios>. Additional information is available at the library.

### **John Taylor, Ass't Division Director Water and Land Resources Division, Department of Parks & Natural Resources**

#### *Community Planning Effort*

John Taylor, Assistant Division Director, introduced Heidi Kandathil, who will be the Project Manager for the upcoming community planning effort. The planning group will propose land acquisitions, building and community goals for the next 20-30 years. The efforts will include a sewage treatment facility, the Quarry, public access to the river and trails, use of the RV Park, etc. John hopes the effort will be kicked off in the next month and he anticipates intensive monthly meetings for six months. If you are interested in serving, contact John directly at 206 -477- 4602 or [John.taylor@kingcounty.gov](mailto:John.taylor@kingcounty.gov).

#### *Surface Water Management Fee*

As introduction, John reminded the group that when buildings are erected, the land's hydrology is affected; the run-off from buildings, pavement, etc. often contains pollutants and can also contribute to flooding and other public safety issues. Roads often act as a "storm water conveyance system". The rate increase outlined below will provide funds for road, pipe and storm water pond maintenance and improvements, beaver dam issues, additional support for farm water quality issues, erosion reduction, habitat restoration and inspections required by the federal Clean Water Act, etc. In addition, funds will be provided to address a portion of the ten year backlog of assets needing repair or replacement.



The residential rate, included in property taxes, will increase 40% from \$171.50 to \$240.44. The commercial rate is also increasing and is based on storm water runoff for individual properties.

**Sno-Valley Senior Center** Lisa Yeager, Director, shared information about the adverse effects loneliness has on seniors' health and life expectancy. The Center is currently seeking volunteers for their outreach program. Volunteers help and support individuals in our community in a variety of ways, including phone calls, monthly visits, assisting with grocery shopping or helping around the house, etc. If you are interested contact Lisa.

**Sue Holbink, Raging River Conservation Group** Sue Holbink, board member, reported that there is no new information about the proposed Quarry expansion or the review of the existing operation. She shared an increasing concern about dust from the current blasting. She advised contacting Puget Sound Air Quality to learn about requirements and/or complain about the dust from blasting.

### **March 11 Community Information Event**

Ashley reported that there are currently 20 confirmed participants (versus 8 at the time of the February meeting). He encouraged members to attend the event (you can eat, thanks to the Road House, in the library!), come early and stay late to help set up and clean up.

### **King County Reports**

*Alan Painter, Program Manager, Community Services Area Program*

Alan announced that CSA grants have been approved, including grants to FCCA for the proposed improved website and display materials to support our outreach efforts.

Alan also provided information about the upcoming King County Town Hall/Open House specifically designed for residents of unincorporated King County to discuss issues affecting Snoqualmie Valley. The meeting will be held Wednesday, April 12 from 7 to 9 PM at Chief Kanim Middle School in Fall City. County Councilmember Kathy Lambert, Sheriff John Urquhart and a representative of the King County Executive will be present.

*Kathy Lambert, King County Councilmember*

Kathy shared her delight at being part of the approval process for the CSA grants, which were doubled this year, as well as the completion of two barns through the "Barn Again" project. Concerns for King County government include safety issues with culverts and bridges, the Juvenile Justice Center and roads.

**Next Meeting: April 14, 2017 (April 14 meeting canceled.)**