



FALL CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION May 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. Self-introductions followed.

Minutes: The minutes of the March 2017 Meeting were approved. (MSP)

Transportation: Snoqualmie Valley Transportation (SVT) has a grant to study transportation needs in the Valley. A two day workshop to focus on Options for Transportation in the Valley is slated for September or October of this year. For more information contact Amy Biggs: 425-888-7001

Community Information Event Recap: Approximately 200 people attended the event that provided an opportunity to meet with representatives from 20 community non-profit groups. Participants expressed interest in exploring means to clean-up and beautify downtown Fall City. Several participants indicated they were unable to attend mid-day, week-day FCCA meetings. The Library has offered space again for next year.

King County CSA Open House Recap: While several topics surfaced (land use, property tax, safe place, business district waste water, immigration, heroin use, 911 non-emergency, etc.) the most discussion centered on the quarry. The main concern expressed in our meeting is that people say they are not getting responses to their emails to the DPER re: the quarry operation. RRCG says it has set up a system to post issues. Bob Burns, Deputy Director DNRP, Land Conservation and Preservation Work Plan, indicated that he and his team do not deal with permitting questions, rather his group is trying to purchase the property and currently is looking at how to value it. The "Trust for Public Land" is a possible partner. Councilmember Lambert will be working to see that people receive acknowledgement of their inquiries to King County.

Raging River Conservation Group: The RRCG has the broad interest of protecting the Raging River watershed. While the quarry is an important part of that interest two other issues are active at this time. 1- An eight week study for the Preston/Fall City Road focusing on speeds and compression brake signage. 2- A video camera will be set up at the Preston-Fall City Trail Crossing from May 19-21 to see how many crossings and attempted crossing there are and to determine what people do to get vehicle traffic to stop for them.

Fall City Land Acquisition Task Force John Taylor, Ass't Division Director Water and Land Resources Division (DNRP) and Heidi Kandathil, Project Manager (DNRP) briefly discussed the land acquisition task force and noted the first meeting has taken place. The purpose of the group is to develop a set of recommendation to King County focused on the overlap of King County's interest in land acquisition and the community's interests for that land including the development of a land acquisition/management plan and exploring funding options to help the community achieve its goals. Several members of the Fall City Community attended and are members of the



forum. Updates will be available at future Fall City meetings. Open meetings will be held at the Fall City Library.

Summer Float Season Simon Briant of Fall City Floating and Alan Painter of the King County Community Services Area reviewed the takeaways from the May 4 summer float season preparation meeting. Float season begins June 1 and will end mid-Sept. FC Floating will remove trash from many sites again this year. Aluminum recycling will begin. Two more vans will be added for improved traffic flow. Dumpsters will be enclosed. Privacy fencing will be added near the temporary toilets. Additional parking is being explored.

Land Conservation Work Plan: The Executive Dow Constantine's plan was presented to the King County Council in March of 2016 is being reviewed by an advisory group. The plan includes an initial analysis of conservation opportunities, available revenues and new funding possibilities. The plan focuses on six areas: Natural areas, Forests, Farmland, River Corridors, Regional Trails and Urban green space. Approximately 66,000 acres (5500 parcels) of land have been identified by King County for conservation, primarily in the rural area of King County. The total cost to conserve these lands over 30 years is on the order of \$ 1.5 – \$1.8 billion. Three quarters of the dollars are available now. The county seeks collaborating with cities in King County to identify their priorities for conserving land. For more information: Work Plan: <http://kingcounty.gov/land-conservation> Advisory Group: <http://kingcounty.gov/conservation-advisory-group> Contact: Ingrid Lundin Ingrid.lundin@kingcounty.gov 206-477-4578.

Councilmember Lambert King County District 3 touched on several issues: **Best Start for Kids** grants for Health Care Centers at schools up to \$10,000 for planning. At end of year grants for higher \$. **Two Town Halls** at Snoqualmie Valley Alliance: SAD – Stress, Anxiety, Suicide and SCAMS -- Phishing Romance Scams with FBI person. Funding provided by Paul Graves, WA ST House of Rep. District 3. **Awareness of summer plight of Fall City** with regards to trash removal and public littering enforcement. She continues to advocate for school, family and public health issues and noted there's a TV series on Netflix called "**13 reasons why**" and that parents should be aware of the emotional and psychological themes of this suicide drama.

West Side Trail Project Kirk Harris of the Fall City Metropolitan Parks District provided an update on the project. The proposed (walking) trail would link "downtown" Fall City to state and county land west of Fall City heading towards Chief Kanim Middle School. Kirk shared many visuals and indicated the trail could be around 10 feet wide. There will be more updates on this effort in the future and interested parties can visit <http://www.fallcityparks.org/> for more information.

Next Meeting: June 9, 2017

Mac and Cheese Snack courtesy of Rob Rosemont, Fall City Roadhouse. Cookies, etc. provided by Anne Loring. Donations welcome. Donations go toward FCCA Scholarships awarded each spring.