



Before the business meeting began, President Rachel Shepard welcomed attendees and shared general information about Fall City Community Association (FCCA). Its mission is to build community, facilitate communication and increase collaboration on local activities and events. To learn more about the FCCA, memberships, donating or to view a past meeting, go to www.fallcity.org.

President Shepard opened the business meeting at 7:08 and reviewed the agenda: FCCA Housekeeping and Updates and Committee Updates.

Report from the President/FCCA Updates

Members were asked for any corrections or additions to the April minutes; with no corrections/additions offered, the minutes were approved.

New and returning members were welcomed.

Rachel reminded attendees that the Neighbors Newsletter is available at the Fall City Post Office, Aroma Coffee, Farmhouse Market, Raging River Café and the Hauglie Professional Building.

Rachel also shared:

- the Totem Pole move has been bumped out,
- recommended updates to the By-Laws and a 2023 budget presentation be included in June's meeting – if you are interested in participating in the By-Law review, email Rachel at fcca@fallcity.org.
- The new website is nearly complete, and you can begin using the following new email addresses:
 - editor@fallcity.org
 - fcca@fallcity.org
 - events@fallcity.org

Committee and Partner Updates

Fall City Septic Association, Jeff Wilson, KC Project Manager (jefwilson@kingcounty.gov)

Final engineering design documents are in hand and in the last stages of review. Public comments regarding the Permits (see the large sign at Bernard Park) are due by May 15th and can be emailed to tracy.cui@kingcounty.gov. The final design documents will be packaged and sent out for construction bids this summer; groundbreaking is planned for late fall and the project is expected to be completed in 2024.

The State Legislature approved \$1.5MM to upgrade the Business LOSS system to “high quality effluent” (almost drinking water) at a cost of \$1MM+ and to cover increased costs due to inflation.

Fall City business district property owners/members of the Fall City Septic Association will be meeting from 4:00-5:30pm on May 16th at Reign Church to review final design documents, discuss construction sequencing, and board members will discuss next steps for the Association.

Events Committee, Emily Ridout (events@fallcity.org)

The Events Committee was recently formed to improve collaboration amongst event planners, events and to ensure community members are informed about the various Fall City events. The committee has compiled a list of people who have coordinated events and will soon make available a full listing of Fall City events. In addition, the committee will provide event coordinators with a “Fall City Marketing Mix” to help them market and advertise events. The “Marketing Mix” will provide information about locations where posters can be placed, how to hang a banner across the highway, recommendations about social media, etc.

The committee meets quarterly, and their next meeting is May 19th at Aroma Coffee from 11:30am-1:00pm.

Fall City Roads, Carrie Lee, (fallcityroads@gmail.com)

The Business LOSS project will result in filling potholes and other improvements in our alleyways! Carrie Lee recently met with KC Local Services Director, John Taylor, to continue work on speed radar post signs. She shared that Fall City received a 2024 traffic study grant focused on Preston-Fall City Road and 332nd. A follow-up rural town corridor grant application, based on 2021 WSDOT work, for a compact roundabout feasibility study will be applied for later this summer.

National Night Out, Carrie Lee, Chief Culp

Chief Culp and the Fall City Fire Department will host the National Night Out event on August 1st at the Fire Station; it will be an opportunity to meet King County Sheriff and Fire Department personnel and tour the Fire Station. Hot dogs and an assortment of beverages will be provided.

Motion that the FCCA will pay up to \$500.00 for food costs to support the August 1st National Night Out event at the Fall City Fire Station: seconded and approved.

Key elements of the previous plan for this year’s Night Out have been merged into Fall City Day as both events focus on “Heroes Among Us.

Fall City Day, Anji Donaldson

Fall City Day will be held June 10th; the theme this year is “Heroes Among Us”. Daytime events include breakfast, the Fun Run, the Parade with bands, floats and more, the Kiddie Parade and the Street Fair; evening events include the Kidzone, root beer floats, wine/beer garden and great live music. Stay tuned for more information about the “Great Duck Hunt”!

Needs:

- Fun Run coordination for next year (you can shadow this year)
- Parade Lead for next year (you can shadow this year)
- Volunteers to put up road signs on Friday Night
- Parade Volunteers
- Sponsors!

80% of proceeds are donated to local charities and schools, including King County Search & Rescue, Fall City Schools Principals’ Funds (to pay for activities not included in the district budget or paid for by the PTSA), Northwest Natural Horsemanship Center Family Fund (sponsor Warrior Weekends for Veterans) and Live Gray’s Way (fund research for pediatric brain cancer).

Fall City Day Sponsors are being recruited and currently include Nelson Tree House, Beth Traverso Real Estate Group, Snoqualmie Brewery, and more.

Fall City Library, Mary Comstock and Michelle Drovda, (<http://kcls.org/locations/fall-city/>)

The Annual Plant Sale, sponsored by “Friends of the Library” is set for Saturday, May 20th from 9:00am-2:00pm in the library parking lot; net proceeds go back to the library for programs and services. Please spread the word! And donate gardening books by May 20; they will be sold at the Plant Sale.

Thank you to Fall City Arts! At their recent dance, they chose Fall City Friends of the Library as their charity, and the Friends of the Library received over \$300 for library activities and services.

Other upcoming activities include:

- Beaded Suncatcher Workshop on May 9th with Fall City Arts
- Community Arts Watercolor Workshop, May 13th
- Friends of the Fall City Library meet every 4th Tuesday; next meeting is May 23rd
- Also, used books are welcomed by the library and can be dropped off there!

Fall City Arts, Krimsey Lilleth, Chair, fallcityarts.org

In addition to the Beaded Suncatcher Workshop at the Library (mentioned above) they will offer a beginning embroidery workshop on June 7th.

Graduation Parade for Fall City 5th, 8th and 12th Graders! Anji Donaldson

During COVID an auto graduation parade was initiated; it was such fun and so well received that it continues this year! The car parade starts at the Fall City Floating parking lot and goes to the elementary school and back. This year’s parade is on June 16th at 2:00.

Fall City Sustainable Growth (FCSG), Mike Suelzle (savefallcity.org)

The Cha Hearing (324th) is scheduled for 9:00am, May 4th and the community is encouraged to attend. Public comments have filled 100’s of pages – they are a primary way you can let King County know your thoughts about the proposed developments.

Other FCSG updates:

- Both the Fall City II and Cedar 23 Plats are currently under appeal.
- The group has 11 dedicated volunteers spending 100’s of hours per week. 75 yard signs were sold and more have been ordered. The group couldn’t do what they are doing without volunteer support and donations: 98% of donations go to legal fees.
- The community’s comments are making a difference: the Hearing Examiner is placing additional conditions on the developer as FCSG and their attorneys hold the developer, King County, and the State of Washington accountable.
- The residential LOSS system at Arrington Court is still not working. Water Commissioners are asking important questions about the cumulative effect of the 8 proposed residential LOSS systems and their effect on Fall City’s drinking water.
- FCSG will have a booth at Fall City Day; they hope community members will stop by with questions and comments.

Motion to end the meeting at 7:50, seconded and passed.