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## FALL CITY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NOVEMBER 2020 MEETING MINUTES

**FCCA President Angela Donaldson** opened the meeting on zoom and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Minutes:** The October minutes were approved with minor changes. MSP

**Nominating Committee:** There were no volunteers to serve on a nominating committee. All of current officers have agreed to continue for another annual term. Additional nominations can be made, and the vote will take place at the December 2020 meeting to elect officers for 2021.

**Treasurer/Membership Report.** No new members or new donations this month. We did receive a refund from our insurance issued because of COVID.

**Fall City Floodplain Restoration Virtual Open House** You have the opportunity to learn about and provide feedback on the design of this important salmon recovery project near Fall City by getting project information and providing input via the Virtual Open House available October 26 – November 9. Visit [kingcounty.gov/FallCityFloodplain](http://kingcounty.gov/FallCityFloodplain).

**Community Alert:** A man with 3 small children at park near the river reported that a homeless man directed sexual gestures at little girl. It has been reported to the King County Police. They will come to a later meeting.

*Councilmember Lambert*

**Business help** If you know anyone with a business that needs help, encourage them to go to [kingcounty.gov/localbusinesshelp](http://kingcounty.gov/localbusinesshelp) or call 206 331-3275 and a technical assistance coach will call back within two business days.

**Flood Control District** \$300K toward flood mitigation effort on Neal Road.

**King County Budget** \$12.4 billion 2021-2022 biennial budget to be voted on November 17. *For more information go to [kingcounty.gov/council](http://kingcounty.gov/council).* I am hopeful to get money back into the helicopter budget, because having only two pilots leave us with too few to meet the need. The patrols look to be fine. We will have four supplemental budgets next year, to help out if needed.

**Bus Service/Roads** We are down to one bus from downtown Metro to North Bend.

**Subarea Plan** Needed: a study on getting a community center including location for Fall City. There is a proviso in the budget for that. Sustainability, bus routes, and a community center will be in the subarea plan. I want information on the community center to be back to me by January 2022, so that the implementation step will be in the sub-area plan. Think about what we want and where we want it, so we are prepared to put our needs out there. President Donaldson says she has many ideas about locations for the Community Center. John Taylor (DLS) would like to discuss the feasibility deadline with Councilmember Lambert.

Dept. of Local Services/Director John Taylor indicated COVID cases are spiking and members of road services are getting COVID. It will be a challenge for services delivery over the winter.

Jacqueline Reid, one of three Sub area planners in the DLS says changes in some provisions of sub-area planning expand beyond land use to include all areas of service through the lens of equity and social justice. Community input is needed to build a community needs list identifying program services and capital improvement programs, and to develop the subarea plan. Fill out the community needs survey on the Website [www.publicinput.com/SnoValleyNEKC](http://www.publicinput.com/SnoValleyNEKC)  
*Survey question: What services, programs or capital improvements should be on the Snoqualmie Valley-NE King County Community Needs List?*

Sub area planner Reid would like to come back to this group or meet with the FCCA sub area plan committee. The same web site will be used for both the Needs list and Sub area plan. Contact information for Jacqueline Reid.  
[jreid@kingcounty.gov](mailto:jreid@kingcounty.gov) 206-263-2052.

**Snoqualmie Valley Local Advocacy Team** The Snoqualmie Valley Community Network has partnered with local senior centers and food banks, SVT, CarePoint and Encompass to form the Snoqualmie Valley Local Advocacy Team with the goal of advocating to get human services funding in the Valley in both cities and the unincorporated area. For more information: [laura@svcn.info](mailto:laura@svcn.info)

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**Holiday Market** Fall City Holiday Market 2020 will be a virtual event. Past vendors can upload their goods onto the Fall City Holiday Market Facebook page which is up and running.

**Kiwanis Giving Trees** are available at two locations now in Fall City - Studio 202 and Aroma Coffee. If you would like to have a Giving Tree in your place of business send an email to [KiwanisSV@gmail.com](mailto:KiwanisSV@gmail.com). The store will be at the Snoqualmie Casino banquet facility. There will be full COVID testing for people who come into shop and those that qualify will go through the food banks. The shop will be open December 16-18.

**Kiwanis Hearts** An opportunity for the FCCA to promote individuals and businesses to raise money helping out the Kiwanis with their fundraising. We have done this in Duvall. Businesses and/or individuals buy advertising on the heart shaped sign(s) at a rate of \$50/side. The signs are viewed along the roadway in the community for a 2-3 weeks period from late January to just past Valentine's Day. The Kiwanis is also looking at making the signs available again in time for Mt Si Graduation.

**November -- Be Kind Month**, Karla Russell, a program coordinator at the Snoqualmie Valley Community Network, says the BeKindSV program supports a positive climate by introducing, modeling, recognizing, reinforcing and celebrating kindness and inclusion. This program started in the Snoqualmie Valley School District where it was so successful, so we are trying to get it into the Riverview School District. With students learning from home, we feel it is essential.

We have a 30- day kindness challenge. There is an Interactive Kindness Banner in each city. The banner in Fall City is at Farmhouse Market. A Pledge for Businesses to create a kindness environment and culture in their workplace. We also have a window cling mailed to each business that pledges. We are hoping Fall City will participate in this. Join the **BE KINDSV Facebook community**. Find additional information at [SnoqualmieValleyCommunityNetwork.org](http://SnoqualmieValleyCommunityNetwork.org) [karla@svcn.info](mailto:karla@svcn.info)

Kiwanis: Vaughan Sherman says the Kiwanis sponsors a kindness essay for 5<sup>th</sup> graders and this year they received a Be Kind tee shirt as well. We also hand out 700 dictionaries to 3<sup>rd</sup> graders. The picture on this year's dictionary has a COVID mask on it.

**Road Safety Committee** Carrie Lee. The first working group has been formed and meets tomorrow morning -- the Bridge Project the cable bridge project for

pedestrian connectivity. We have obtained 3 quotes for radar speed trailers with one being brought in next week for a 30-day demo/trial. WSDOT SR 202 Corridor survey will be launched Nov 30. The road committee has been welcomed by the Corridor Study group. Another working group we would like to put together would consider banner poles which would fit with things like Fall City Day and the Kiwanis Hearts project. We could really use more group members. If you would like to get involved and join the team, contact us at [fallcityroads@gmail.com](mailto:fallcityroads@gmail.com)

**Fish Hatchery Bridge** will not be repaired and will likely be removed. Our survey was appreciated. Community member Tom Gomez thanked Councilmember Lambert for her work on the bridge issue. Because it is not going to be rebuilt as it is, does not mean something won't be done with it.

**Snoqualmie Mill Site Development** Fall City resident, Lacy Linney joined the Save Snoqualmie Mill project in June when the draft environmental impact study was looking for public comment and volunteers to read through sections. Lacy felt it important to talk with FCCA because we, in Fall City, will be impacted by this. For a great deal of information on the Snoqualmie Mill Site visit [www.savesnoqualmiemill.com](http://www.savesnoqualmiemill.com). The plan is a phased approach over 15 years starting in 2023 including residential housing, industrial space, warehousing, retail, restaurant, office space, and finally a 5000-seat amphitheater. The Save Snoqualmie Mill group raises three concerns:

**Environment Impact.** The site needs a comprehensive remedial investigation into the grounds. The mill site is on the contaminated site list based on its prior use as a mill and with a railroad leading from the mill and crossing over the river, the contaminants could end up in the river and likely contaminate the entire water shed. A second concern is traffic. The developer does not have realistic notion of roads. The development would increase highway202 usage for industrial and residential. There is a lack of infrastructure to support this proposed development. The green bridge would have to be replaced and the recently completed roundabout as well.

Lacy thinks that new development should not upset what is already established in the community. Reach out – raise awareness: This is still in draft form, so our voices can be heard. Lacy will be posting on Nextdoor a few more times before the end of the year. Join our community group by visiting [www.SaveSnoqualmieMill.com](http://www.SaveSnoqualmieMill.com) , email to [snoqualmiemillaction@gmail.com](mailto:snoqualmiemillaction@gmail.com), visit our FB page [www.facebook.com/SnoActionNet](http://www.facebook.com/SnoActionNet) .

**FD 27 Update** FD 27 Chief Connor announced a 73.5% “yes” vote for the M&O levy. There is progress on the Chief’s replacement. Some interviews with commissioners have occurred. Next week the commissioners will review the candidates and then talk about some finalists. Chief Connors says, “We are entering flood season. If you are out motoring about and flood waters are across the road -- turn around, don’t drown.”

**FCMPD** –Not a lot happening this month. We are still waiting to hear about our grant applications the West Side Trail. Charlie Kellogg has contracted with someone to do the holiday lights in Fall City. We are working on finding someone to do the garlands. We talked about having the lights on longer, perhaps until Valentine’s Day.

**TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY:** First Saturday of December, 5:00 p.m. sharp. No in-person tree-lighting ceremony this year, but social media sharing. Maybe a car parade to look at the lights.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, December 1, 2020  
7:00 – 8:30 p.m. via Zoom

Meeting highlights, minutes and presentations can be found at [FallCity.org](http://FallCity.org). Videos of the Zoom general membership meetings can be found at [Facebook.com/FallCityWA](https://www.facebook.com/FallCityWA).

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