



Members in Attendance:

Jim Grieco – Twin Creeks
Tom Norcott – H-S-G
Karen McAllister - Bayside
Michael Trujillo- Cascade View
Mary Fosse - Delta
Tina Hokanson - Evergreen
Colleen Kain – H-S-G
Sara Steuben – Lowell
John Sweeney – Northwest
Stephanie Prothero- Northwest
Arthur Olsen – Pinehurst
Jim Prissel- Pinehurst
Chris Geray – Silver Lake

John Van Patten – Twin Creeks
George Lockeman – Valley View
Linda War Bonnet – Westmont / Holly

Alternates

Jay Isaacs – Cascade View
Citlalli Zarate Weber – Delta
Tammy Caldwell – Port Gardner

Staff:

Wendy McClure

Lee Brandt

Excused:

Teresa Schultz
Andrea Tucker

Carol Jensen
Victor Harris

Guests:

Called to Order: 4:00 p.m.

I. APPROVALS & COMMENTS

- ✓ Agenda approved with no discussion
- ✓ January minutes approved with no discussion
- ✓ No citizen comments

II. SAFETY MINUTE

4:02 Tom Norcott - Remember to lock your home and car; don't leave valuables in your car; collect your mail regularly
Michael Trujillo – Walk carefully on ice!



III. DEPUTY MAYOR NICK HARPER

4:03 Nick expressed his thanks for the opportunity to speak to the group again – it has been about a year.

(Nick) lives in the NW neighborhood with his wife, Lacey (Chief of Staff to the Snohomish County Executive Dave Somers) and his two daughters who attend Whittier Elementary School.

In the Mayor's Office, the Chief of Staff (Lyle Ryan) manages the 'back-of-the-house', while Nick manages the 'front-of-the-house', the outward facing representation with and/or for the Mayor. For example, he attended the US Conference of Mayors, manages the government portfolio of functions, is on transportation, legislative committees and represents the City on various taskforces (for example aerospace) .

Nick is managing the new Community, Planning & Economic Development Department – which includes the CHIP, neighborhoods, and other functions. He directly supervises Allan Giffen, Julie Frauenholtz, and Dan Eernisse – each of whom directs a division. It is exciting work that will continue to evolve over the next months and years.

Nick is also supervising and working with Library Director Abby Cooley. With Evergreen Branch closed for construction, the City continues in its effort to serve the entire community. During our two weeks of snow, Abby, recognizing the importance of the library as a place for citizens to seek warmth, worked to make sure the library remained open.

The budget process is continuous.

Nick continues to work on special projects – some legacy, such as the Kimberly-Clark site and the Riverfront development (1250 residential properties, tens of thousands feet of commercial/retail space, other community amenities among both the north and south sites).

New projects include [Career Link](#) – a partnership between the City, Everett School District and local businesses - encouraging high school internships focusing on professional work, aerospace & advanced manufacturing, medical & healthcare. The hope is for 50 placements. The program is based on a Denver program, [CareerWise](#), to fill the gap for students who don't find a fit with a certificate or degree; or who don't know what they want to or can do. The City is lining up the students and employers (before the end of March), and will match students to employees in April and May.



Linda War Bonnet asked if there was outreach to library patrons before the branch closed. Another question was asked whether Mukilteo School District students will be able to use the Career Link program. Nick will provide answers to these questions through the neighborhood office.

Michael Trujillo asked the status of the Kimberly-Clark property. Nick advised the City has adopted a waterfront plan prioritizing water-dependent, light industrial uses. There is contaminated soil and water. The City has litigated, DOE issued a compliance letter to KC at the start of 2018. They are now identifying sites for mitigation and debris removal, obtaining permits for grading and shoreline use and have completed the 30-day [SEPA](#) review.

Once the permits are issued, they will clean up and actively market the property. The Port has already indicated an interest, as have several private entities. The City is interested in a northern portion of the site, where water-clarifiers sit above ground and would help with run-off capacity. The City expects any new buyer to replace the jobs lost when the plant closed.

Tom Norcott asked if the City budget is now balanced or if there is still a gap. The 2019 budget is balanced, but our revenues still don't keep up with our increased service costs. Everett is not alone. The 1% cap on tax increases is affecting many governments. There is still a deficit for upcoming years and that still needs to be addressed.

IV. CITY COUNCIL LIAISON & VICE PRESIDENT JUDY TUOHY

4:15 Judy expressed hope that everyone will consider applying for the [districting commission](#) (applications accepted through Tuesday, April 30). Council would like a geographic and diverse representation. The process will start in May or June.

Council received an excellent briefing on the work the City is doing in conjunction King/Pierce counties to ensure water supply resiliency in the event of a major disaster– as might occur in an earthquake. For us, the South Whidbey Fault would cause the most havoc. The video can be viewed [online](#) – click on COUNCIL BRIEFING AGENDA on the right.

The Lodging Tax Advisory committee will be opening up another round of funding on March 7th. Applications are [online](#).

The upcoming Council Committee meetings include:
Budget Committee – March 6th at 5:30 pm
Public Safety Committee – March 13th
General Government and Climate committee's – March 20th



During the library closure, the employees from the Evergreen Branch (who are temporarily working at the Main Branch while the south branch is being remodeled) have reported seeing many of the south patrons using the main facility. The library has a virtual reality program for people to try. At the end of June, they will offer passport services during hours the library is open. Seven staff members at the Main Library will be certified to take passport applications.

Tom Norcott asked about any discussion from the climate change commission. Judy reported the commission is still working on current action plan, which will be led by Councilmember Paul Roberts.

George asked about the water we provide the Tulalip tribe. When the wells don't need our water, what occurs? And, can we loop their water back to the City in an emergency? Judy will look into the matter. King County does but it would be a one-way valve.

A member asked if passport service will be available at the Evergreen Branch of the library when it reopens. This may occur in the future but will not be in place when the new library opens.

V. CITY & COMMUNITY ITEMS

4:25 Fire Station Update – provided by Chair Jim Grieco for Chief DeMarco
Station 2 closing March 1st for approximately six weeks for asbestos removal and remodeling. The Oakes fire station will be staffed by the firefighters at Station 2 during the work. There should be no significant change to how the City responds to calls with no real impact on time – while Station 2 is closed. Once the work is complete, the fire administration function will move back into the Oakes building on the second floor (Old station 1).

Smoke Detectors & Fire Safety – American Red Cross, Snohomish County Executive Director, Kelly Thode

Kelly reported on the types of activities the SCRC is involved in – to include fire response, disaster action teams, help with money and short-term lodging. Last year, they responded to 115 fires across the county. So far in 2019, they have gone to 18 home fires.

Seven people die daily in US home fires. Michael Trujillo noted that people have only about two-minutes to get out of a house fire. The Red Cross installs detectors every day, year round. Since this program started, over 6200 alarms have been installed in Snohomish County – this year, over 900 so far. There is no income level test. The installed alarm batteries will last 10-years. They will replace them after that period. Any detectors over 10-years old are no longer



reliable and should be replaced. The sensors ‘give-out’, even in the wired-in. Check the dates.

Nationally, they have introduced a program called the ‘Home Fire Campaign’ – with the goal to install as many home smoke detectors as possible. On April 27th they hope to install 400 alarms during the event. That includes in the downtown core, Marysville mobile homes, senior homes in Edmonds, and more. Like Relay for Life, a person can sign up online to volunteer that day (report to the headquarters). Flyers are available in both English and Spanish, as well as in social-media format. They do fund-raising to pay for the units and install them free-of-charge. They also do a home safety assessment while in the residence. They currently do not install CO alarms.

The Red Cross can come to your neighborhood meetings. To get the emergency kits offered by the ARC, order them from RedCross.org - they are not available from the local offices. The local office has only 4.5 staff members.

Surface Water Management Program - Everett Public Works

Apryl Hines – Public Information & Education Specialist

Dana Zlateff – Senior Environmental Specialist

Public Works is seeking public comment on its 2019 Stormwater Management Program Plan (SWMPP) through March 15. The Plan is an annual requirement of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit, which is required by the federal Clean Water Act and is overseen by Washington Department of Ecology. This permit allows the discharge of storm water runoff into the state’s surface water as long as the city implements Permit-specified “best management practices” (BMP’s) that protect water quality and reduce pollutants. Access the plan or sent a comment at:

www.everettwa.gov/surfacestormwater

Apryl and Dana went over the contents of the plan, highlighting public education and outreach, public involvement and participation, illicit discharge detection and elimination, controlling runoff, operations and maintenance, total maximum daily load requirements, and monitoring & assessment.

They ask that members look at the document and provide feedback either through the comments link on the page or by emailing Heather Griffin directly at hgriffin@everettwa.gov. Handouts were given to the reps with information on how to access the site and provide input.

Handouts were also provided on the rain-garden rebate program.



In answer to questions:

- Washing a car is okay, but the water used should not enter the storm water system, so some residents wash their vehicles on the lawn. Staff advise on where car wash facilities are located and which areas do not feed into storm water.
- Wood Creek flows been Valley View and Eastmont, into the Marshland and Snohomish River
- They have actively monitored beach and stream waters since 1999, along with many creeks
- While not on our website, there is a lot of data available that is hard to put in a report – hopefully they will have a way to share that data next year

4:55 Social Practicals – dates and topics: April 29 or 30, Planning 101 will be the topic for this session, most likely using curriculum from WA Department of Commerce. Staff will send confirmation with location information. Future social practicals will be May 29 or 30, and Sept and Oct.

VI. TEAM WORK – UPDATES & NEW IDEAS

5:00 School partnerships/Diversity Outreach

- Delta – Valerie Yob, Hawthorne Elementary, has been coming to meetings, collaborating on new grant on robotics.
- Bayside – Dr Joyce Stewart will bring HS students to meeting in March, videotaping meeting Good school update at meeting, internships etc. from the school.
- HSG has had visits from principal at View Ridge elementary, supporting Girl Scout cookies.

5:10 Neighborhood Matching Fund – Wendy updated the group on applications and review process. Letters will be sent to chairs with conditions for the approval of funds. Reminded everyone of the importance of meeting the December 6th deadline for reimbursements and volunteer hours. She also urged people to send in reimbursement requests as the year goes along, not to wait until the end of year.

5:15 Nominations for CoN officers and election process – the nomination process was reviewed, and people were encouraged to step up to serve. Nominations

5:20 committee will be formed at the March meeting, 3 volunteers are needed to help recruit two candidates for each officer position. In April, candidates will provide a written statement of their interest and at the May meeting they will speak and vote for officers will occur. Jim Grieco will continue at past executive.



Monte Cristo Update – Tina Hokanson:

The committee met for the first time. Group will create sub-committees to carry out the work. They are asking that one representative from each neighborhood serve on the committee or subcommittee. Tom will be involved in Finance committee; there is a need for people to solicit donations. The food committee will gather food for the event, set-up, etc.

The group needs a volunteer coordinator, people for a program subcommittee, to line-up an emcee and a photographer, and people to do outreach, media and social-media.

The next meeting is Sunday, March 17 at 3pm, in the library activity room. The October date for the awards event will be determined by the theater, but most likely will be October 17. The Historic Everett Theatre manager has donated use of the facility again this year. Committee members do not need to be Council of Neighborhoods reps. Tina has set the intention to get more people from south end neighborhoods involved and nominations from the area, because some think it is a north end event. The committee may choose a “drop dead date” if not enough volunteers step up. Chairperson Jim Grieco encouraged the group to find volunteers to hold the 25th Anniversary event.

VII. ANNOUNCEMENTS

5:30 No announcements

VIII. NEIGHBORHOOD REPORTS

5:22 **Reports:**

Bayside: 15 people attended, Fire, Police and school reports, no council liaison report. Speaker from Red Cross spoke about smoke alarms, another person announced music festival., Heather Teegarden from WSU spoke about community projects such as the repair project, and she is a recommended speaker.

Cascade View / Twin Creeks: 9 attended. No school report due to holiday. No fire visit, a police officer attended. Guest speaker Tony Billera who talked about his organization – a Citizens Climate Lobby. Good speaker. In addition, Ryan Bisson spoke from Everett Transit and Council liaison Scott Murphy attended. Elected John Van Patten from Twin Creeks as second council rep for Twin Creeks.

Delta: 26 attended, no police report. Fire chief DeMarco there, City Council liaison, and Hawthorne school rep attended. Discussed lobby day in Olympia to ask for full funding for Asarco clean up. Plans in the works for Shakespeare in park.



Guest speaker Adam Cornell, Snohomish County Prosecutor was awesome presenter.

Evergreen: Group is meeting this week on Thursday, speaker will be Ryan Bisson from Everett Transit.

Harborview-Seahurst-Glenhaven: 25 attended, had fire rep. Councilmember Liz Vogeli also attended. School principal sent newsletter. Captain commander Mike Davis, Naval Station Everett, was well spoken and informative. Catherine Soper from Port will be coming next month. Hot issues – closure of Cadman Sand and Gravel plant is big topic.

Lowell: 13 people attended. Had Fire, Police, and City Council liaison - discussed districting process with guest speaker Megan Dunn from Everett Districts Now. Encouraged people to apply for commission. Also discussed Planning Commission meeting on Riverfront topic on that agenda.

Northwest: 25 people, Fire chief DeMarco spoke about temporary closure of Fire station 2 and relocation of response services to Station 1. The group went to WSU campus. Hot topic is expansion of WSU campus and impacts on area.

Pinehurst: meeting is tomorrow, no report.

Port Gardner: Cancelled meeting due to large snow storm, school was closed. Next month Ed Peterson, Hopeworks, is guest speaker. Working with Jessica Vu who wants to start a community garden within the Station Area district.

Riverside: no rep attended

Silver Lake: no meeting in Jan., but are meeting tomorrow.

South Forest Park: no rep attended

Valley View: 10 attended, Had police and fire reports, no City Council or schools reps. Cory Rettenmier from Everett Parks gave a great presentation.

View Ridge / Madison: no rep attended.

Westmont / Holly: The Feb meeting with Mayor was cancelled due to snow. She will come back next month.



IX. FIVE ITEMS TO REPORT

- 5:40
1. Program starting up for interns for professional services – Everett Career Link for high school students
 2. Applications for Districting Commission are due by end of April
 3. Installing fire alarms important. Red Cross handout to share with neighbors.
 4. Social Practical on April 29 or 30 – all about planning and land use
 5. Ideas Fair – for ideas for matching fund application coming in the fall; take photos
 6. Seeking volunteers for Monte Cristo committee, meeting on March 17, at 3pm in the library activity room.

X. ADJOURN 5:44 p.m.

Next meeting March 25, 4 PM to 6 PM

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