

January 2013 Meeting Minutes

7:00 PM: Roll Call

Present: Dawson, Fields, Harvey, Hiester, Iverson, Mahoney, Morris, Rimbos, Tonda and Vita

Absent: Cruikshank

Review and Approve Agenda

Passed

Approval of Minutes

Passed

Officer Elections

Rob Morris reported on status of elections. Those as executive offices this year have indicated a willingness to continue for one more year. Rob voiced his opinion that, as we have evolved into a "different" organization it might be good continuity to continue as we did last year. Proposed candidates: Chair-Steve Hiester-elected; Vice Chair-Warren Iverson-elected; tabled until February: Treasurer; Corresponding Secretary-Peter Rimbos; Recording Secretary-Les Dawson

Fire District Levy, Asst. Chief Matt Cowan

Chief Cowan and Commissioner Mike Scott discussed the April 23, 2013 Fire Excess Levy (Maintenance and Operations) levy for fire dept. Issues on amount-recommended to the board for \$1.5M for three years. This requires a super majority of votes (60% + 1 yes vote). Peter Rimbos moved that GMVUAC support this Excess Levy. Motion passed. Peter moved that a letter to Editor be written to local papers expressing our support of the levy. Motion passed.

TSD/ESD Boundary Adjustment

Peter Rimbos reported that on Jan 8, both Tahoma and Enumclaw school districts will be discussing the issue of transferring the ~55 acres (and any tax revenue from this land) to ESD. "This land would be planned to be commercial as part land for the benefit of the proposed Yarrow Bay MPDs.

TSD Superintendent Mike Maryanski reported: "We currently oppose the transfer of territory and believe that it is not supported under the current guidelines." TSD gets no value by ESD taking this land. Peter Rimbos moved that this council support that TSD get some type of remuneration in return if ESD attempts to grab the land is found legal. Additionally, Peter moved that we have members attend each of the meetings tomorrow night to provide our official position. Motion passed.

Citizen Survey

Rob Morris led a discussion on the status of the Citizen Survey. It will be published and mailed in February. Results of our survey will be shared with the King County Council and other officials. Citizens can view the survey and results at our website.

Bev moved to approve the survey as designed. Motion passed.

Council Business

Steve Heister reported on general council administration/insurance info, mail box, checks from council for payment of older bills, etc.

Action Items:

- Find out amount to get new checks for dual signing- Steve by 2/4
- Updated member contact list finished- Les by 2/4
- Letter to support fire levy in month of March. Peter is writing to present at Feb meeting. May have been done already as it was mentioned in the Voice of the Valley already.
- Shawn and Susan to represent council at School Board meetings 1/8. Report back at Feb meeting.
- Meeting between elections and by-law committees by Feb 4th meeting
- Send out Survey- By mid Feb
- Get Tahoma school district voter list and sort-Shawn by mailing time of Survey
- Election committee to have final meeting to look over Survey and election and get to printer by Feb 4th meeting
- Peter will prepare official Area Council remarks for ESD and TSD Board meetings