March 2013 Meeting Minutes

7:00 PM: Roll Call

Cruikshank, Fields, Harvey, Hiester, Iverson, Mahoney, Morris, Rimbos, and Vita present. Dawson and Tonda are absent.

Review and Approve Agenda Ppassed

Approval of Minutes Passed

Dave Fields announced his resignation due to health.

7:15 PM: Tahoma School District, New School

Mike Maryanski: Superintendent of Schools Mike Maryanski discussed the state of Tahoma's schools in light of the growth the district is experiencing. Plans were to develop a site in the "Donut Hole" and this failed due to not reaching agreement with King County to purchase a potential school site at Summit Place. TSD is moving ahead with plans to design a Regional Learning Center that would include a new High School. The plan would involve collaboration with Renton Technical College, Green River Community College, and private business and industry to offer students a more abundant choice of learning opportunities. It would serve both High School students and the greater Maple Valley community by offering college learning opportunities locally.

Tom Carpenter of Four Creeks Unincorporated Area Council (FCUAC) reported on a Grant they recently received through the King County CSA program to develop mapping tools to handle various databases to better understand property, environmental, agriculture, and recreational issues. The FCUAC is working with schools, property owners, and local community organizations to develop and use mapping skills.

It was reported that the current actions on the Reserve Silica are still in KCC hands. A motion was made, seconded and passed which our Area Council approved a letter to the King County Council specifically calling attention to our concerns with both the so-called "Demonstration Project" for Reserve Silica and the change in policy to allow major updates to the KCCP on an annual basis, thus circumventing the 4-yr process. Because of the scope of such a change to the KCCP update process, that letter is a joint initiative by the Area Council with two other Rural Area UACs--Four Creeks and Upper Bear Creek.

7:45 PM: Council Business

Treasurer's report, Joe Cruikshank will report on the Area Council' finances next month.

Citizen Survey

Rob Morris reported on the current status of the Bi-Annual Area Council Citizens' Survey and Ballot. In organizing for the ballot it was moved and seconded to leave the voter's precinct off the ballot. It was also moved, seconded and passed to move Four Lakes in Francis district. The goal is to have the survey mailed to Rural Area residents on or about March 15.

Motion made, seconded and passed for Susan Harvey to testify regarding the Reserve Silica and KCC comp. plan process on behalf of the Area Council at the Black Diamond City Council meeting on March 7.

Motion made, seconded and passed to purchase plaque for Dave Fields on behalf of his 25 years of service. Cost of said plaque not to exceed \$100.00.

Steve Hiester will present our points for continuing our membership in Cedar River Council.

There will be a meeting to discuss problems with fire coverage as a result of the cutbacks.

There is discussion going on to possibly bring back our police precinct to Maple Valley.

Current AI requirements:

Letter to KCC re: Reserve Silica-Peter Rimbos

Authority to Susan Harvey to represent GMVUAC at Black Diamond City Council meeting on 3-7-13—Susan Harvey

Mailing of GMVUAC Citizen Survey to residents of THSD by 3-14-13—Rob Morris

Purchase of plaque for resigning Dave Fields—Joe Cruikshank (?)

Presentation to CRC—Steve Hiester