

# **GREATER MAPLE VALLEY UNINCORPORATED AREA COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES OF MEETING – AUGUST 5, 2019**

The monthly regular meeting of the GMVUAC held at the Maple Valley Fire Station was called to order by Chair Hiester at approximately 7:00 PM on Monday, August 5, 2019.

Roll Call: Present: Hiester (and as proxy for Neuner), Haynes, Rimbos, Harvey, R Sterling (and as proxy for Blacklock), Hansen, Buchanan, Thompson, and A Sterling. Absent (but with designated proxies): Neuner and Blacklock. Absent: Iverson

### **Agenda Items**

No changes. M (approve) - A Sterling S - Hansen Approved - Unanimous

### **Public Comments**

Val Paganelli (TSD Board Rep) spoke about funding of technology program in light of levy failure; transfer \$1.4 M out of reserve to cover; future levy of about \$13 M for tech and basic education in light of shortfalls resulting from McCleary criteria and lid of \$1.50/thousand assessed value (\$3 M transferred out of reserve to cover basic education). Council approved extending invitation to TSD Superintendent Tony Giurado for our October 7 meeting to discuss these issues

Kim Brighton brought to our attention the EIS Scoping process now underway for the Cedar Hills Landfill EIS – public comments through August 26. Kim suggested we invite a guest speaker for our September 9 meeting to discuss potential impacts on groundwater and health from expansion of the landfill disposal area. Council will consider adding guest to our September agenda.

Bob Keller briefly introduced himself and spoke about the need to protect and preserve the rural area, especially in light of pressures from growth and the proposed asphalt facility.

### **Regular Agenda / Council Business and Committee Reports**

#### **1. Bylaws Amendments**

R Sterling recounted first reading of proposed Bylaws amendments at the Council's July 1 meeting; no changes received since then.

M (approve Bylaws amendments as draft dated 8/5/2019) - R Sterling  
S - Rimbos Approved – Unanimous

#### **2. 2019 GMVUAC Survey**

R Sterling reported 68 respondents to-date. Discussion to keep Survey open indefinitely - Council accepted. If and when Council vacancies are filled, we can delete those questions regarding membership, but continue with Survey if appropriate. R Sterling reported emailing invitations to 8 individuals who responded to the Survey and expressed interest in membership. Nancy Newell spoke and indicated interest in Committees (lives outside the TSD).

### **3. PSRC Vision 2050 Draft Plan**

Rimbos will coordinate next step(s) in review process; he is currently preparing summary of key issues to determine whether or not PSRC in fact addressed our previous comments on the draft Plan. Rimbos will have comments available for Council review and approval at our September 9 meeting.

### **4. WaDOE Public Participation Grant**

Members discussed pros and cons of accepting the WaDOE's offer of a \$35,000 PPG related to the Reserve Silica and Landsburg Mine Sites MTCA cleanup projects. Would require careful administration with unknown liabilities – who on the Council would undertake this responsibility? Would need to prepare several Request for Proposals (RFPs) for consulting services and public participation aspects of grant – who on the Council would oversee this aspect of the grant? Harvey would like Cedar Hills Landfill and perhaps Asphalt Facility to be included; R Sterling responded there are limitations on acceptable projects under this MTCA grant. Mixed reaction of Members; A Sterling indicated our participation would be good publicity and get better data on various issues; Thompson indicated no urgent need for final decision; Hiester suggested a meeting with WaDOE reps is appropriate to answer many questions before final decision is made. Council accepted this suggestion; Thompson will contact WaDOE and set up meeting. Matter was tabled until September meeting.

### **5. Guest Speakers/Topics for Future Meetings**

Council discussed and tentatively decided to invite a guest speaker to our September 9 meeting to discuss Cedar Hills Landfill and possible impacts on groundwater and health from operations in new area. Thompson to coordinate.

Council discussed and decided to invite TSD Superintendent Tony Giurado to our October 7 meeting – at least 1 hour.

Council discussed inviting Dwight Dively to either our November or December meeting to discuss the 2020 KC Budget.

Council discussed possibly inviting representatives from PSRC to future meeting to discuss transportation and growth issues.

### **6. Committee Reports**

Transportation - per Harvey – reminder that Landsburg - Cedar River bridge will be closed to all traffic, detours required, from August 9 - August 29. Suggested possibility of asking KC to conduct a traffic impact study of the closure to see what amount of traffic takes which routes.

No other Committee reports presented (refer to emailed monthly reports).

### **7. Executive Session**

Hiester announced Executive Session and requested all public attendees leave, except for the possible new Council Members in attendance: Bob Keller and Andy McDonald.

Interview session with Keller and McDonald.  
Council vote to accept Keller and McDonald as new Members:  
Both approved as new Council Members  
New Members will be sworn-in at September 9 meeting

### **8. Minutes of Prior Council Meetings**

R Sterling presented the following GMVUAC Meeting Minutes for approval:  
2019 Regular – January, February, March, April, May, June, and July  
2019 Special/Emergency – July 29

R Sterling stated that since all of these draft Minutes were last emailed to all Members, Rimbo suggested just several minor corrections re typos and names – incorporated into final Minutes

M (approve all Minutes) - R Sterling S - Rimbo Approved – Unanimous

A Sterling announced his resignation from the Council; heading later this month to Anchorage to be a research law clerk for Alaska Supreme Court Justice Craig Stowers. Members expressed appreciation for Adam's service to the Council – round of applause and best wishes were had as a send-off. Thanks Adam – have a great experience up North.

Chair Hiester Adjourned the Meeting at 9:10 PM.

Minutes by R Sterling.