

GREATER MAPLE VALLEY UNINCORPORATED AREA COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING – December 6, 2021

The monthly regular meeting of the GMVUAC held virtually via Zoom due to the COVID-19 shut down was called to order by McDonald at approximately 7:02 PM on Monday, December 6, 2021.

Roll Call: Present: Hiester, Rimbo, Buchanan, Harvey, Neuner, McDonald, Iverson, Hansen, Clair, and Haynes.

Absent, But with Designated Proxy: N/A

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Resignation: N/A

Logistics Note: Due to the COVID-19 shut down, the meeting was held virtually over Zoom.

Agenda Items:

Addition agenda item: N/A

Motion: Iverson- Move to approve agenda as written. Second: Haynes, Approved – All.

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1. Public Comments (7:04):
 - Tim O from Enumclaw wanted to sit in and see how GMVUAC conducts its meetings.

 2. TSD Update-- Val Paganelli (TSD Board Member) (7:06):
 - Tomorrow is a special Board meeting to swear in Haley Pendergraft.
 - Site plans for Elementary.
 - Next Tuesday are site plans for middle and high schools.
 - Looking into budget, missing about 400 students due to Covid-19.
 - MV has very few students on free or reduced lunch.
 - School district boundary changes are still a work in progress.

 3. KC Budget Dwight Dively (Dept. of Local Service) (7:20):
 - Dwight Dively gave a quick overview of financial situation of King County.
 - King County budget is a two-year budget, we are in the middle of the 2021-2022 budget.
 - This budget has lots of cuts due to Covid-19 that didn't need to happen because the economy has recovered to pre-pandemic.
 - Budget has about 140 different funds.
 - Metro transit has the largest fund, it is doing very well, better than expected.
 - Currently most funds are in good condition.
 - Two that are the most important to unincorporated KC are the General fund and the Transportation fund.

- General fund includes Sheriff, jails, prosecutors, courts, and land use permits. About 60% comes from property tax.
- Transportation fund is 80% funded by unincorporated KC property tax, this is shrinking due to annexation, this reduces services to roads.
- General fund is in balance for next year.
- Issue with general fund is new ideas people want to fund means some things are cut.
- Covid-19, KC has 1 billion for Covid-19 response.
- This includes rental assistance, public health, isolation/quarantine, there are hundreds of different Covid-19 programs.
- Have enough money to continue these programs into 2022.
- If Covid-19 continues KC will face financial issues.
- Roads has no money to expand capacity.
- Basic maintenance uses more money than is available.
- 50% of cars on rural main roads are from cities that pay nothing to use the roads.
- Unincorporated KC does not have enough revenue.
- How do we come up with a budget for rural area? We don't, most money is used up and not enough is left to do anything.
- Infrastructure Bill is federal money for bridges and fish passage.
- Lot of money to expand in the urban area and none for rural areas.
- Build Back Better is not for physical infrastructure, it is for social things.
- 75% of general fund goes to criminal justice system.
- Sheriff office is 21% of the budget.
- Other counties have more unincorporated tax base so their budgets are better than KC.
- Cedar Hills pays about 2 million per year to the general fund to rent Cedar Hills. This is the only revenue from Cedar Hills.
- The State should have had a regional funding source for the unincorporated area, the state has the power to do so.
- We have technology to toll major rural roads for non-rural residents.

Council Business (8:27 PM)

1. GMVUAC Survey:
 - Hiester:
 - Sent to McDonald and the PR committee.
 - It is time for bi-annual survey.
 - By-laws say we have to notify everyone in the TSD.
 - It would cost \$6,000 to send a postcard to everyone.
 - Survey Monkey has free site, can have up to 10 questions and only see 40 responses.
 - Survey Monkey has a flexible plan, \$49 a month 10 questions and can see 1,000 responses a month.
 - This may be the best option for us.
 - We reviewed current questions that we have come up with.

Motion: Iverson- Move to allow council to spend \$49 a month to Survey Monkey for the Flexible plan with 10 questions for our bi-annual survey. Second: Haynes, Approved – All.

2. KCCP Docket Request:

- Rimbos:
- GMVUAC has delt with Docket requests many times.
- Another proposed Docket request.
- Stems from conversations with Jim Chan about periodic reviews for the Erickson trench.
- Reclamation is not part of the mining process.
- Periodic reviews allow public comments and participation.
- Rimbos would like to add word or phrase that all reclamation activities prior to final closure of the mine are considered mining activities.
- Opened this to discussion.

Motion: Iverson- Motion to approve Docket request form to KCCP as presented. Second: Haynes, Approved – All.

3. 2021 CCP Update:

- Rimbos:
- Gave update on CCP.
- Two meetings recently.
- GMPC gave oral testimony.
- We were pushing for keeping the 4-1 program the same, we lost this one.

4. 2022 Officer Elections:

- Hiester:
- By-laws say next month we vote on officer elections.
- Chair- Hiester
- Vice President- McDonald- Is open
- Treasurer- Neuner
- Corresponding Secretary- Rimbos
- Recording secretary- Hansen

5. Meeting Location:

- Discussed going to in person meetings one quarter would give us an opportunity to see each other.
- Due to Covid-19 can we wait until the April 2022 meeting?

Updates to Committee Reports: N/A

McDonald adjourned the meeting at approximately 9:36 PM.

Minutes by Hansen.