

MEETING MINUTES

Clinton Community Council

June 24, 2019

6:00 pm

Clinton Community Hall

Board Members present: Carol Doering, Kristi Macarro, Christina Swan, Catherine Billera, Stephanie Cook, Doug Brand, Jack Lynch, Karen Krug, Curt Gordon, Jill Engstrom

Board Members absent: Doug Hofius, Dave Hoogerwerf, Mark Helpenstell, Carol Flax

Community Members: Kelly Cameron, Beverly Mesa-Zendt, Commissioner Helen Price Johnson, Sharon Sappington (Island Co. Economic Development Council), Nancy Ecklund (CAI), Kristina Gallant (CAI)

1. Minutes -Christina Swan - approved

2. Treasurer's Report – Kristi Macarro

\$1427.31 account balance

\$1176.91 – Regular Funds

\$205.40 – Picnic funds

3. Island County Planning – Beverly Mesa-Zendt

a. Introduction to Economic Development Project Consultants

1. Sharon Sappington – Island County Economic Development Council

2. Nancy Ecklund - CAI

3. Kristina Gallant – CAI

b. Economic Development Element of the 2020 Comprehensive Plan for Island County

1. Identification of economic trends and conditions

2. Examine challenges and opportunities

3. A Gateway Study - key transportation gateways to include Clinton, Camano Gateway, North Whidbey (Deception Pass area), and Coupeville (ferry gateway), as well as the Airports.

4. Community/stakeholder outreach

5. An Economic Development Element that includes an implementation plan

c. Clinton Community Council Input as Stakeholders (in no particular order)

Items to Address:

* Utilizing past studies rather than repeating them; Information that results in an actionable plan

* Obtaining input from property owners in the RAID

* Infrastructure barriers – water, sewer and transportation

* Redefined business center to more accurately define Clinton;

* Zoning limitations

* Creating new development standards

* Current signage rules

* Mobility obstacles, with an emphasis on walkability and safety

* Affordable housing and zoning limitations

* Including Ken's Korner in Clinton Gateway area and development

* Work with WSDOT on traffic and right-of-way issues

* The timeline for implementing any changes – how soon will we see progress

* Maintaining the rural character of Clinton with emphasis on livability for residents

Positive Attributes of Clinton Gateway:

* Locally owned businesses

- * Transit services
- * High Volume Ferry traffic
- * Services: variety of businesses, Post Office, Library, high speed internet services, commuter parking availability
- * Local people shop locally
- * Community Council gives valuable input to the County and will continue this relationship

Next Steps

- * Online Survey (currently ongoing)
- * Trends and Conditions Report – will be completed this summer
- * Community Meetings and Outreach late summer/early fall (possibility of Council hosting in Sept)
- * Actionable Plan by the end of 2019

4. Dan Porter Park – Carol Doering

- a. Cleaned and groomed trails
- b. Had about 25 volunteer hours based on sign-in sheet

5. Walkability Issues

- a. Pedestrian/Bike Grant was not funded and we need to complete our evaluation of resubmission for these funds
- b. Regional Mobility Grant -July 1st funding is available need to know timeline for improved drainage, sidewalks and charging station
- c. Ken's Korner Trail is only funded for planning and design
- d. Review options to improve walkability with local funds not just federal and state funds

6. Member Updates

- a. Clinton Progressive Assn – Catherine Billera
Discussed Reader Board and if this signage is still useful
- b. Clinton Chamber of Commerce – Stephanie Cook
 1. Completed Clinton Brochure – lots of new businesses; redesigned and available in July
 2. 4th of July Parade at Maxwellton and fireworks stands open on the 1st
 3. Will hear about the Goosefoot Grant after July 10th
- e. Port District – Curt Gordon
 1. Continuing work on Mukilteo parking
 2. City of Langley looking at Langley Marina Growth options
 3. The Port has shut down the gangways at the Clinton Dock and Langley Marina due to safety concerns. They will be repairing them

7. Water District – Jill Engstrom

Currently placing new water main under Bob Galbreath Rd; Bids open July 8th and work will begin later in the month

Meeting adjourned at 7:38 pm

Next regular meeting July 22nd 2019 - 6pm at Clinton Community Hall