

Keyport Improvement Club Meeting – 10-10-23 – 7 PM

Location – Fire station – 1863 Pacific Ave. 2nd Floor

Meeting Called to Order: 7:00 PM

Participants = 12

Introductions – Around the room and welcome to a newcomer, John Enriquez.

Guest Speaker – Christine Rolfes – Kitsap County Commissioner – appointed to replace Rob Gelder.

Christine was a WA Senator and in legislature for 17 yrs. Her background is in public policy and she started her career as a planner in Kitsap County. The county is working on a 20 yr. comprehensive plan, a 6 yr. transportation plan, a 10 yr. parks recreation and open space plan. They also have a climate resilience plan to look at what they're going to do with wildfires, flooding and water supplies.

The 1st draft plan is supposed to come out in early Dec. and Keyport can provide input if there is an interest.

Several things that Christine offered to help us with are: Dial a Ride, the Central Park Use Agreement, the Port upgrade problem, a Public Works pipe that is washing out the beach, the Dept. of Community Development office hours and the DOT results for Hwy 308 speeding.

Pearson School is moving and it's undetermined what the use is for the old building. It won't be a school again. There will be a bond in Feb. for voters.

She views the biggest problem for Kitsap County is how to allow more modest sized and affordable housing.

General Business:

Minutes from 6-13-23 Meeting – MSP as posted.

Treasurer Report – Flo S. – This information is available at the KIC meeting or by contacting Flo Schule.
Treasury Audit – Flo S. – Milt Meeds completed the audit for 2022.

Port of Keyport – Karol S. – Brian W. wrote a letter of appreciation (LOA) to the navy divers for volunteering on Aug. 26th for the Port centennial.

Ellen Ross-Cardoso may be appointed Port Commissioner after Brian Watne resigns.

Summer Activities Success – Karol S. – Thanked the event volunteers & Alex Chales-Antonio for the website updates. The Port Centennial Day was a success and people are in favor of repeating similar activities in 2024.

Park Committee – Doug C. & Karol S. – Christine Rolfes and Aaron Bartleson think they can help us with the Use Agreement for Central Park for the sprinkler system and volunteers would work under the same park program as Saltwater without bringing any liability to KIC.

Emergency Preparedness – Karol – No update this time.

KIC Constitution – the latest revision has been posted to the website.

Broadband Fiber Optics Status – Karol S. – They still plan on door to door interviews before the end of the year.

“Slow Down Sign” – was installed in Aug. on the Ward’s fence at the corner of Sunset & Petterson Rd.

Haylee Anderson from Kitsap County Board of Commissioners reported that the pump station isn’t doing any work but that the large piece of equipment there is being stored for another pump station project.

Port benches left from the upgrade project are at Ward’s and KIC can put them somewhere in town. If you have any ideas, please let Karol know.

New Business:

Oct. 12th, - Senior Lunch – Merc – 1 PM – Next one is Nov. 9th.

Bluegrass Music Schedule – 1st Mondays of the month at Casa Mexico at 7 PM.
Hood Canal Brewery on Oct. 16th – 7 PM.

Oct. 17th - Fire station – Open House – 5 to 6:30 PM

Oct. 21st - Sasquatch Rowers – Rowing Demo - Merc

Oct. 22nd - Navy Band NW Concerts – Undersea Museum – 2 to 3 PM – Woodwind Quartet
Nov. 19th – Protocol Combo.

Dec. 2nd - Central Park – Tree decoration – 10 AM – Take down the US flags. Lunch at Casa Mexico after.

Dec. 9th - Poulsbo Yacht Club – Lighted Boat Parade

Invited people to WhatsApp – Keyport Neighbors Group.

Adjourned: 8:30 PM

Next KIC meeting – Nov. 14th – 7 PM