

**MEETING MINUTES
OF THE
PIERCE COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL
NOVEMBER 20, 2008 – 6:30 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mike Lonergan, Chair
James Rackley
Larry Wilcox
Tom Smallwood
Kathy McVay
Doug Richardson
Pad Finnigan
Katrina Asay, Bob Whalen
John Knutsen
Rick Hansen
Ron Lucas
Matthew Richardson
Bill Baarsma

City of Tacoma
City of Bonney Lake
City of DuPont
Town of Eatonville
City of Fircrest
City of Lakewood
City of Lakewood
City of Milton
City of Puyallup
City of Puyallup
Town of Steilacoom
City of Sumner
City of Tacoma

MEMBERS ABSENT

Gene Cerino
Sandra Ramsey
Richie Morgan
Derek Young
Scott Malkuch
Richard Godwin
Helen McGovern
Joe Pestinger
Gary Hulsey
Roger Bush
Barbara Gelman
John Ladenburg
Tim Farrell
Clare Petrich
Ray Bourne
Peggy Levesque
Marilyn Strickland
Vacant
Linda Bird
Jean Brooks
Becky Gilbert

City of Auburn
City of Buckley
Town of Carbonado
City of Gig Harbor
City of Edgewood
City of Fife
City of Lakewood
City of Orting
City of Pacific
Pierce County Council
Pierce County Council
Pierce County Executive
Pierce County Council
Port of Tacoma
City of Roy
Town of South Prairie
City of Tacoma
Town of Ruston
City of University Place
City of University Place
Town of Wilkeson

Non-members present:

Ryan Windish, GMCC Chair
Bud Rehberg, Citizen

Ike Nwankwo, CTED
Bill McDonald, City of DuPont

Mike Lonergan, Chair of the PCRC, called the meeting to order at 6:40 p.m. A quorum was present.

Approval of Minutes

Motion: (Rick Hansen, Kathy McVay, second) - To approve the meeting minutes from 10/16/08. The motion passed unanimously.

GMCC Report

Ryan Windish provided the GMCC report. He announced he will remain as the Chair in 2009, and Ian Munce will be the Vice Chair. Other items discussed were: a Buildable Lands Update by Dan Cardwell; WAC policies/procedures; and David Schroedel, Schroedel Consulting, provided a Draft Consistency Evaluation Report presentation. The GMCC is reviewing the Draft Consistency Evaluation Report. Contact your staff if you would like to see a copy of the report. Mr. Windish stated Art Sullivan from ARCH was unable to attend the November PCRC meeting. Hopefully, he will be at the January 15, 2009, meeting to discuss the program.

Election for PCRC Chair and Vice Chair

Mike Lonergan stated Bobbi Allison sent an email indicating she was interested in serving as Vice Chair in 2009. He shared the email with the group and opened the floor for any further nominations.

Motion: (Tom Smallwood, Kathy McVay, second) - To nominate Bobbi Allison as Vice Chair. Motion passed unanimously.

Ballots were distributed, votes were cast and collected, and counted by Bud Rehberg. The results were Mike Lonergan as Chair and Matthew Richardson as Vice Chair.

General Assembly Committee Appointments

Mike Lonergan asked if any members were interested in serving on the General Assembly Committee. He stated Bobbi Allison indicated her interest via email. A few members indicated they were willing to serve on the committee. Mr. Lonergan appointed James Rackley, Pad Finnigan, Rick Hansen, and Bobbi Allison to serve on the 2009 General Assembly Committee.

Committee Reports/Announcements

Executive Board and Operations Committee (Linda Bird, Rep. / Joe Pestinger, Alt.)

No report.

Transportation Policy Board (Katrina Asay, Rep. / Gene Cerino, Alt.)

No report.

Growth Management Policy Board (Tom Smallwood, Rep. / Matthew Richardson, Alt.)

Tom Smallwood reported on the last meeting. He felt the most interesting item of discussion was growth trend vs. growth strategy. If Pierce County continues at the same rate it will hit the projected targets. Compared to other counties, we are growing the most. For more information visit PSRC's website. Mike Lonergan stated that PSRC staff is a little behind in getting out the

information/handout to assist cities/towns with planning. Norman Abbott will be attending a future PCRC meeting in 2009 to discuss future projects.

Economic Development District Board (Katrina Asay, Pad Finnigan)

Katrina Asay reminded the group the EDD meets every other month. The group reviewed transportation projects for recommendation. Pierce County had several projects but Seattle came out on top. Of the projects submitted from Pierce County, the Canyon Road project in Frederickson rated the best. She provided a booklet to the group from Prosperity Partnership titled, "Puget Sound Regional Competitiveness Indicators, 2008-2009 Update."

Ron Lucas attended a conference and heard from some areas in the state that had a trial run at broadcasting in digital before it goes public in February and it was a disaster. He warned they may hear complaints from citizens in February. He also recommended that jurisdictions look into where they want additional cell towers placed. He suggested that the FCC may have the power to place a cell tower where they want them to be placed if there are not designated areas currently in your code. He suggested cities/towns' review their cell tower ordinances to make sure their jurisdictions are in control of cell tower placement.

Zoo/Trek Authority Board

No Report.

Mike Lonergan stated an Ad Hoc Committee on Urban Growth Area Expansion Policy has been formed and is open to everyone. The next meeting will be on Dec 3 and the last one has been scheduled for December 18. Contact Dan Cardwell at dcardwe@co.pierce.wa.us if you would like information.

Matthew Richardson stated he was proud of the campaign Mike Lonergan ran for the Executive race and wanted to congratulate him publicly.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.