



Kitsap Food Chain

Food and Farm Policy Council

Meeting Minutes- October 20, 2011- Approved

Port Blakely Conference Room, KC Admin Building, Port Orchard, WA

Members Present: Shannon Harkness, Jerry Darnall, Fran Miller, Vicky McGarrity, Melanie Keenan, Cynthia Mora, Erika Anderson, Monica Downen, Jean Schanen, Barbara Olson, Marilyn Holt

Excused Absences: Joe Serka, Chris Plemmons, Vicky McGarrity

County Staff: Carrilu Thompson

- I. **Call to Order:** Melanie called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.
- II. **Approval of Agenda:** Passed unanimously.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:** Marilyn Holt corrected minutes as hers was an excused absence. Revised minutes passed unanimously.
- IV. **The passing of Dennis Hultman,** former member of the Council, was acknowledged. A sympathy card was signed by committee members.
- V. **Old Business**
 - a. Comp Plan Ag Policies Update: Kitsap County Planning Commission's version was sent to the Council. Carrilu will send out notice when the policies go before the Board of County Commissioners.
 - b. Energy Audit Update by Carrilu. To date, 3 people have signed up.
 - c. 2012 Work Plan- Committees will provide written reports at next meeting.
 - i. Education-Members are: Chair Cynthia, Chris, Monica, Shannon, Fran and Barbara. No report.
 - ii. Infrastructure- Members are: Chair Marilyn, Shannon, Jean, Vicky, Melanie and Erika. No report.
 - iii. Land Use- Members are: Chair Jerry, Shannon, Melanie and Marilyn. No report.
 - iv. Solid Waste/Composting- Jerry, Monica and Erika.
 - v. Committees will meet and send 2011 accomplishments to Carrilu.
 - vi. Carrilu will resend 2011 Work Plan to committee.
- VI. **New Business**
 - a. Farm To Table Forum- Monica/Carrilu attended and gave a report.
 - b. Santa Cruz Resolution- Jerry led a discussion on whether or not a right to garden resolution such as the Santa Cruz Resolution should be recommended to the Commissioners. The Land Use committee is interested in pursuing study of this.
 - c. Marilyn suggested that a Buy Local food campaign be recommended to the Commissioners. It will be considered as part of the 2012 Work Plan.
 - d. Shannon reported on a four county health district meeting she attended, underlining the need for clear policies in Kitsap.
 - e. Melanie updated the committee on the changes to the Bainbridge Island code. She will e-mail committee on the new changes.
 - f. Jean introduced the committee to the idea of aquaponics, suggesting that it be included in the food/farm policy and urban farming considerations.
 - g. Shannon mentioned that we need to consider the Farm to School initiatives.
 - h. Cynthia mention Food Day and Carrilu discussed the events process with us.

- i. Solid waste committee reestablishment discussed.
- j. Monica informed committee of an initiative to help feed the homeless- the inaugural 'Dine Out to End Hunger' event Nov 13- 19 with area restaurants donating a portion of their daily sales.

VII. Adjournment moved and seconded. Adjourned 7 p.m.