

# NKTA Trail Plan Committee Minutes 12/14/09 Draft (12/15/09)

Kingston Community Center 5:30-8:30 p.m.

Present: Tom Curly, Linda Berry-Maraist, John Willett, Don Willott, Dave Haley, Carolina Veenstra, Patsy Bryan, Cris Craig, Lori Raymaker, Bobbie Moore, Walt Elliott, John Kuntz

## **Housekeeping/scheduling:**

- Adopted 11/16/09 minutes.
- News of interest: Dave Haley is working on grant application to American Hiking Association for \$5,000 grant for construction funds to complete White Horse trail. Linda shared that County-wide non-motorized EECBG grant application was not successful, Federal Transit funding hearings in January considering allowing transit funds for bike/ped facilities near transit. John Willett shared the Suquamish tribe purchased Adam's point site near Lemolo; he hopes it will become a kayak landing site. Don W. shared 1/28 transportation lobby day in Olympia. Audubon group would like to tour Heritage Park (Carolina in January).
- Volunteer hours can be logged on nkstringofpearls website.

## **Committee Work**

### **Outreach Committee**

- Survey discussion; group has met several times, received lots of help from Cris Craig and pros at Health Dept., Sue Abbott thinks it is really good. Modifications: Intro: encourage all family members to fill out survey separately. #4 & 10 should have same user categories, bicycling on dirt/gravel trails, bicycling on separated paved trail, bicycling on continuous paved shoulders, wheelchair/stroller/etc. #5g ...to access schools. 8. Biking near roads (not road biking). 9. Add water version of 5 a,b,c.
- Discussed/whittled down proposed community outreach meetings in Feb/March.
  - 1 & 2) Kingston; Town Hall booth and Kingston CAC
  - 3) Hansville; GHAC (check w/ Ken Shawcroft on Greenway input)
  - 4) Eglon; community meeting
  - 5) Port Gamble/S'Klallam Tribal Council
  - 6 & 7) Suquamish: Tribal Council, Suquamish CAC
  - 8) Indianola community meeting
  - 9 & 10) Poulsbo City Council & Poulsbo Parks Commission/Trails committee
  - 11 & 12) open public meetings at Miller Bay Fire station and Poulsbo Library
  - 13 & 14) Kitsap County Parks Board & County Commissioners
  - 15 & 16) BI Parks Commission & BI City Council
- Presentations will not be identical; most will include 10 min. Power point presentation (nice photos!), referral to website survey (online access there?), and 1 page brochure. Community meetings will have more opportunity for community interaction/discussion:
  - 1) Sharing their vision, looking for connections, provide base map focusing on their community with existing trails/resources and asking them what they would like to see. Will need to develop community meeting schedule, publish meetings in newspapers,

use big email list, NKSD, homeowners Assoc (Shorewood, Miller Bay, Driftwood Keys, Gamblewood) emails etc.

### Mapping Committee

- Pearl Map; include small version in brochure and on homepage of website.
- Reviewed map prepared for KRCC which includes existing off road trails and bike routes that meet ASHTO standards. Lots of work compiling existing routes---thank you Tom!
- Discussion that future step will also include bike routes on roads we think are acceptable...don't want to establish all or nothing standard.

### Writing Committee

- Website format and homepage. Discussed desire for more customized website with advanced graphics, Network Solutions has limitations/inflexibility. Discussed desire for more expensive solution, but with \$2,000-5,000 costs decided to live with Network Solutions template for now. Simplify template to minimize 80's look and visual impact and emphasize photo, include nice photo (or photo block at top in content), add "Pearl map" to homepage on left side below menu. Content of homepage; skip Vision statement and history paragraph (too many words, can be under About). Like "Welcome to NK String of Pearls Trails and Join us in crafting..." at top. Carolina and writing committee will take another run at paragraphs 2 and 4 to incorporate Sue's ideas.
- Money decisions will be made by Board. Much of funds are committed to White Horse Trail project, will need funds for brochure, meeting places, printing of plan etc.
- Missing goal and Vision statement grammatical error. Committee like proposed additional goal for water trails, ***"Create a network of water trails and "trail heads" that allow public access to the shoreline with launch sites for people in human-powered boats to enjoy the scenic and environmental richness of Puget Sound."*** Eliminate "that" so last sentence in Vision statement says; ***A regional trail system boosts community pride, community connections and the local economy.*** Will pass this recommendation to Board.

### Next Steps

- Need to schedule meeting with County to discuss process for goal of County adoption.
- Need high quality, non-copyright protected photos for brochure/presentations. Don, professional local photographers (?), any of us with high quality local photos.
- No subcommittee meetings between now and January 4<sup>th</sup>. Will focus on homepage (writing by email), brochure (Linda and outreach), finalized survey (Cris and Linda), website (Andrew), and collecting photos (Don and all!).
- Upcoming Trail Plan meetings 1/4/10 Indianola, 2/1/10, 3/15, April 19 Indianola, May 17 Kingston.