

**Attendance:** Adam Day, C. Hunter Davis, Camille Reeves, David Vogel, Diane Emerson, Gavin Kovite , Kyle Britz, Nick Simmons.

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**Meeting opened 7:30pm**

**Reviewed Agenda for Board meeting:** amendment to include awareness of the King County Local Services Newsletter: <https://www.kingcounty.gov/depts/local-services/newsletter.aspx>

& the Community Needs Assessment from February's Unincorporated Community Service Area mailer <https://www.publicinput.com/vashon>

**Approved Board meeting minutes from January**

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**February is Black History month:** community offered VMICC to attend equity and diversity training.

**Reviewed December general meeting for follow-ups:**

- ❖ Explored topics presented
  - Crisis Intervention Teams and Multi-Disciplinary Teams
    - Check in with VIFR on their thoughts on community needs
    - Ask Social Service Providers their thoughts on community needs
    - Is there extra information KC has on the movement towards including Social Workers on some first responder calls, if so what does that look like
    - Hear from VSSN on their thoughts
    - Gavin Kovite will follow up
  - Hightspeed internet access options on the island.
    - Conversations have continued on Facebook public platforms Vashon All & Vashon For All
    - For additional options the home owner has to pay additional fees to link new lines to homes
    - It is a State regulatory issue
    - There may be state funding available
    - *Encouragement for community members to form a Committee to have a work group to address further, invite Jim Garrison to chair*
    - Gavin Kovite to follow up with Jim
  - Sewage Disposal
    - Topic was discussed further at VGWPC (Vashon Groundwater Protection Committee)
    - Eagles club is no longer accepting non-FOE member's RV sewage
    - People with RV who need their sewage pumped will need to coordinate with King County
  - Off Leash Dog parks
    - Check back in with person (Michael Shomsky) who presented the question at December general meeting, ask them if they would be interested to form committee
    - Explore Frog Holler park field as an option to fence in a sizable dog park
    - *Encouragement for community members to form a Committee, invite Michael to chair*
    - Camille Reeves will follow up with Michael Shomsky

- Vashon Climate Action Group
  - They are working on a proposal to present to the VMICC
  - *Encouragement for existing Climate Action Group to become a VMICC Committee*

### Reviewed January general meeting for follow-ups:

- ❖ Explored topics presented
  - Metro Traffic Advisory Commission (TAC)
    - Peter Rubin's term on the commission goes until August
    - Encourage islanders to apply to continue having community representation on the TAC
    - Keep informed on updates of TAC and how to participate
  - VMICC Active Transportation Committee
    - "active" being human powered, walking, biking, passionate about non-motorized
    - People who need traffic safety the most are pedestrians and cyclists
    - *It will be clear later if we need an additional transportation committee that includes Metro, Ferries and Public transportation*
  - WSF Ferry Advisory Committee (FAC)
    - Justin Hirsch would like the opportunity to present any updates at VMICC meetings
    - VMICC would like to know more about the WSF FAC, what they do
    - WSF statute implies that VMICC can appoint someone to the FAC
    - Make announcement of soon-to-be-open seats and encourage people to apply
  - KCSO Major Flohr
    - Would like to present at every other general VMICC meeting
    - Has updates on the recent Residential Burglaries

### Do we want to have presenters that present at every general meeting or every other?

- As community members time is precious for attendance, we want to be mindful of how often people present at general meetings
- We would like to focus more attention on encouraging the formation of more Committees
- Unless someone is a committee of the VMICC, those are the only monthly ongoing presentations at the general meetings.
- We will announce guests from King County at every meeting, and they can share their contact information if anyone wants to connect with them more later.
- If someone isn't listed as a guest or member speaker, they can present briefly either during Committee updates, Community Announcements or Open Discussion

### Future presenters of interest

- VashonBePrepared
- ZeroWaste Vashon
- SeaMar
- Vashon Healthcare District commission
- Vashon Time Bank
- Vashon Resilience
- Food Access Partnership
- Nadine Edelstein, recycling/garbage cleanup, public beaches

### **Proposing the formation of “Affordable Housing Committee”**

- ❖ We learned of a few housing projects that people are interested in developing
- ❖ It would help to have an affordable housing committee to support similar projects
- ❖ Checked with VHH board and they support the formation of an affordable housing committee


### **VMICC Logo presentation with Communications Committee and community member**

- ❖ Adam Day joined to present a few graphic logo design options
  - Designs including the Pt. Robinson Lighthouse
  - Focus on crisp images and simple emblem that can also be placed on merchandise to sell to tourists for future fundraising opportunities
  - Focus on design that can also be used as website icon
  - Symbolism of Lighthouse that expresses guidance, beacon of hope and support
  - Ideas of marketing designs on wearable sweatshirts and mugs
- ❖ Diane Emerson and Camille Reeves
  - Design of Vashon with pulsing heartbeat in surrounding water
  - Design of two earthly hands cradling the island shaped like sacred water
- ❖ Open discussion on Logos
  - Is the shape of Vashon over used?
  - Simplicity of design makes it easiest for resizing the image
  - Do we want our focus of the logo to resonate with how we feel about our connection to the island, or how we want others to perceive the community?
  - Do we want the logo design to be multi-colored?
  - Can we present three or four designs we feel comfortable with to the VMICC to vote

### **Discussion of open board seats**

- ❖ The board currently consists of 7 members, with 6 members being a quorum
- ❖ We elect to take it slow and do more outreach of the community for those who may be interested to be on the board
- ❖ Gavin Kovite offered to write an article to the Beachcomber inviting community members to apply and reminding the applicants of the time commitments and responsibilities of the board including occasionally needing to have additional and extended meetings
- ❖ Remind community that if they are passionate about a specific topic that they may be more interested in chairing or participating in a committee
- ❖ We hope that with taking it slow people can have an opportunity to also help encourage each other to apply and appreciate the value of diverse experiences of members on the board
- ❖ These open board seats will be appointed by the Board and then voted to be confirmed by the general VMICC membership
  - Discussion of the demographics of the island
  - Discussion of the sectors that had been previously indicated
  - Reminder that Latinx is the largest BIPOC (black, Indigenous and people of color) island demographic

### **Treasurer updates**

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- Require the EIN (Employer Identification Number or Tax ID) to complete the business license
- The additional account holders will need to bring their SS# to PSCCU to be added to the account
- At this time the account holders will be Treasurer, President and if need be Vice President

**Meeting closed at 9:57pm**

Minutes summarized by VMICC Clerk, Kyle Britz