

SCA Board of Directors Minutes

February 25, 2015 10:00 AM
Snoqualmie City Hall
38624 SE River Street, Snoqualmie WA 98065

1. Call to Order

Matt Larson, SCA President, called the meeting to order at 10:05 AM.

Members present: Bill Allison, Nancy Backus, David Baker, Chris Eggen, Don Gerend, Dennis Higgins, Dave Hill, Bernie Talmas, Amy Walen

Members absent: John Marchione, Jim Haggerton, Bob Harrison

Staff present: Deanna Dawson

2. Public Comment

There is no public comment.

3. Consent Agenda

David Baker moved, seconded by Nancy Backus, to approve the minutes of the January 21, 2015 meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

4. President's Report

Matt Larson provided the President's Report: Due to a schedule conflict, he was unable to attend the SCA leadership and PIC meetings. Nancy Backus reported that the topics at the leadership meeting with King County Executive Constantine included representation on the Service Guidelines Task Force; legislative priorities including transportation, the 1% property tax cap, and the tribal tax (HB 1287); the PSERN levy; and the Flood Control District levy, among others. Matt reports that he and Deanna have visited 29 of the 36 SCA cities and will visit the others in the near future.

5. Executive Director's Report

Deanna Dawson provided the Executive Director's Report: Caucus Chairs and Vice Chairs are encouraged to attend the SCA Caucus Chair Training on March 4 and all board members are welcome to attend. All Seattle Council Member positions expire in 2015. The Master Builders Association has offered services to the SCA including meeting space and technical assistance. The SCA has entered a reciprocal membership relationship with the Seattle Chamber of Commerce. The 2015 Intercity Study Mission to Chicago will be June 10-12; our members are welcome to participate. More information is available at www.seattlechamber.com or call Deanna. Other topics Deanna reported on included Communities of Opportunity grants; Youth Action Plan; and interviews for the policy analyst position. Deanna reported that the City of Seattle provides long-term in-home care for low-income seniors through the AAA. The program

is operated by the City of Seattle with reimbursement by Medicare and the state. The services are provided to all King County cities with more resources used in those communities with more need. Reimbursement levels need to be increased.

Dennis Higgins moved, seconded by Nancy Backus, to draft a letter of support from SCA to increase state contributions to this program. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Events Committee Report

David Baker provided the Events Committee Report: Candidates for the 2015 Events Committee are listed on page six of agenda attachment 3.

Nancy Backus moved, seconded by Don Gerend, to appoint all proposed candidates to the 2015 Events Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

7. PIC Chair's Report

Bernie Talmas provided the PIC Chair's Report: Topics included Flexibility in Investment of Hotel/Motel Taxes for Affordable Housing and the strategic plan developed by the Committee to End Homelessness.

Bernie Talmas moved, seconded by Bill Allison, to adopt the policy position for Flexibility in Investment of Hotel/Motel Taxes for Affordable Housing. The motion passed unanimously.

8. SCA Support for SB 5799 and HB 1940

Deanna Dawson gave background on the bills, which would protect the flood control district levies from suppression. SCA has a previously adopted position on this, which Dawson provided to the Board.

Bernie Talmas moved, seconded by Dave Hill, to draft a letter of support. The motion passed unanimously.

9. City Manager's Report

Bob Harrison was not present. No report.

10. Economic Development Council of Seattle and King County Report:

Nancy Backus provided the Economic Development Council of Seattle and King County Report: The SCA board should become more engaged in the conversation. There are opportunities for the SCA to attend trade shows. Annual meeting is February 26, 2015.

11. Discussion Items

a. SCA Retreat Follow Up

Deanna Dawson sent a retreat report. A full list of action items are listed on page 30 of the agenda packet.

Discussion:

Item 1: Media Awareness – Cities should send information to Deanna about issues in their cities that she can promote to media.

Items 2 and 3 – SCA members should reach out to their networks for the SCA to partner

more with political and community organizations.

Item 9 – Schedule mid-year King County/Regional Government 101 orientation for SCA members.

- b. 2015 Legislative Session
- c. Service Guidelines Task Force
Topics: Work plan for task force; potential conflicts between geographic equity – urban, suburban, rural ratio.

12. Upcoming Events

- a. SCA Networking Dinner
Wednesday, February 25, 2015 – 5:30 PM – Renton Pavilion Event Center
- b. SCA Caucus Chair Training
Wednesday, March 4, 2015 – 6:00 PM – Renton City Hall
- c. Public Issues Committee
Wednesday, March 11, 2015 – 7:00 PM – Renton City Hall
- d. SCA Board Meeting
Wednesday, March 18, 2015, 10:00 AM – Kent ShoWare Center

13. For the good of the order

No discussion.

14. Adjourn

Matt Larson moved, seconded by Chris Eggen, to adjourn the meeting at 11:35 a.m. The motion passed unanimously.