

Manchester Community Advisory Council Minutes

September 2, 2025 Public Meeting

Manchester Library Meeting Room

Members in Attendance: Carol Malmquist (Chair & Northern Neighborhood), Carrilu Thompson (Manchester Community Association), Susan Shaw (Port of Manchester), Sharon Holst (Colchester Neighborhood), Genti Brierly (At-Large), Russ Higgins (Alaska Neighborhood), Janet Grimley (At-Large), Patty Olson (At-Large)

Excused Absences: Janelle Overton, Michael Harris

Absence: Chuck Williams

Guests: Bob and Rashmi Ballard, Jim Stritzel, Ryan True, Heather Cleveland, Dusty Wiley, Paul Golnik, Jodie Collins, Jeff Faucett, Alex Jarrett

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Carol at 6:30 pm.

Guest Speakers:

Heather Cleveland, a long-range planner from the Department of Community Development, spoke on the county's current "Year of the Rural" focus. Public comment will be taken by the Planning Commission until Sept. 23. For more information: https://www.kitsap.gov/dcd/Pages/Year_of_the_Rural.aspx

Chief Jeff Faucett of South Kitsap Fire and Rescue discussed plans for staffing and equipment of the fire district, and the implications of decreasing property valuations on future revenues.

I. Administrative Items

Approval of the minutes from the August 2025 meeting: Sharon (motion), Patty (second); minutes approved. (Carrilu abstained.)

Approval of the proposed changes to the MCAC By-laws: Janet (motion), Carrilu (second); changes approved.

II. Business Items

III. Announcements and Public Comments

Patty introduced the Coffee Oasis Homeless Youth Charity quilt raffle fundraiser.

Carrilu thanked the various local entities that sponsored the Mark Lewis jazz event.

The Manchester Community Association's Oktoberfest will be held Saturday, October 4, from 11 am - 3 pm.

The next meeting of the MCAC will be held October 7.

Adjournment: There was a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:58 pm: Susan(motion), Sharon (second); meeting adjourned.