From:

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Tuesday, July 02, 2013 2:15 PM

To:

Christine Brown

Subject:

FW: Sit down with City Manager

Subject: Re: Sit down with City Manager

From: islandsvcs@aol.com

Date: Thu, 28 Mar 2013 13:11:10 -0700

CC: dward451@comcast.net; blossoms49@hotmail.com; eric@turloff.com

To: debbilester@yahoo.com

Debby, Thank you for the invitation. But frankly I have had several direct conversations and information exchanges with the City Manager since he joined the City and regrettably have not found those to be at all productive. It has been my experience that I/we just show our cards and he takes what he needs from them to develop a strategy that avoid the areas where I/we have a particularly strong argument, all in support of his goal to retain staff levels, methodologies, scope of services, and processes to achieve such ends regardless of the cost/benefit to the community/rate payers.

I would not want to participate in further discussions with the City Manager about either of these issues until I knew what we are trying to achieve and had an agreed to strategy amongst the participants to achieve that end.

Hope you find this comment useful and constructive. Things just seem to be going around in circles and without a specific strategy I fear they will continue to do so.

If you want to discuss your specific goal I would be happy to have coffee at your convenience but at this point I would defer any commitment to participate in a group discussion with the City Manager until I had a better understanding of the objective and a mutually approved path to achieve such.

Respectfully submitted,

Arlene Buetow

On Mar 28, 2013, at 12:32 PM, Debbi Lester wrote:

Would you all be available to meet with City Manager to discuss UAC and City presentations of Water Quality Flow Monitoring and Water Management?

Please provide times you are available:

3/29, Friday 4/1, Monday 4/2 Tuesday (before noon) 4/5, Friday

Best regards, Debbi Lester

--- On Thu, 3/28/13, Arlene Buetow <islandsvcs@aol.com > wrote:

From: Arlene Buetow <islandsvcs@aol.com>

Subject: Kitsap water quality continues to improve while Bainbridge writes reports and spends excessive \$\$\$

To: "Dave Ward" <dward451@comcast.net>, "Steven Bonkowski" <smbonkowski@yahoo.com>,

"Debbi Lester" <debbilester@yahoo.com>, "Sarah Blossom"
blossoms49@hotmail.com>

Date: Thursday, March 28, 2013, 10:59 AM

I know you looked in to the Kitsap County water quality monitoring program Dave, all while Cami and Lance touted their program and supposed results "State of the Island Water Report" as recognized for excellence and all while City Manager Doug Shultz said that the water quality monitoring available through KPUD was not quite up to our requirements maybe now is the best time to raise the challenge of results

Doesn't KPUD work with the County in support of their water quality program? Given this recent report maybe it is time to compare cost dollar for dollar between the two programs, and consider the costs and benefits of continuing what we have been doing just because we have been doing it.

it is time to consider the cost effectiveness of what we have been doing and what results we have demonstrated in improving water quality.

Thanks for listening - Arlene

Kitsap water quality continues to improve

- By Christopher Dunagan
- Posted March 27, 2013 at 6:08 p.m.

Read more: http://www.kitsapsun.com/news/2013/mar/27/kitsap-water-quality-continues-to-

improve/#ixzz2OrFT04mH

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"The Environmental Protection Agency has adopted Kitsap County's program as a model practice and provided federal funding to implement similar programs throughout Puget Sound."

"Kitsap Public Health District's pollution identification and correction (PIC) program has been recognized for its success in tracking down pollution sources, working with property owners and cleaning up local waters. The effort includes ongoing monitoring of 58 streams as well as lakes and

saltwater beaches."

"As part of the effort, Kitsap Conservation District worked with farmers throughout the Burley area to improve their overall livestock-management practices, and that probably made a difference to the water quality in Bear Creek, Banigan said."