

ECWC approved meeting minutes 5-20-19

Present were: Barb Knop, Jan Seibert-Wahrmund, Lynette Villagomez, Ed Johnson, Carolyn Propst (Chair), Scott Rekate (Vice-Chair), Bruce St Denis

The March 18, 2019 minutes were approved as corrected.

Landowner Updates — None

ECFR – Beaver Habitat Restoration —Kayla (NCWA part-time, temporary help) did a great job with writing the OWEB grant; the ECWC is excited about the project. A line item in the CB Budget for the project was approved by the Budget Committee on 5/15. The budget goes to the June 4th Council meeting for final approval. The OWEB review team has scheduled a site visit to the ECRF for June 10th. Brooke is coordinating the visit. There was a suggestion to ask Clara Sroufe and/or Jerome Arnold about historical beaver locations in the reserve. Jan will talk to Clara.

There was a discussion about a prior OWEB funded project related to the diversion of an off-channel portion of Ecola Creek upstream of the city tertiary treatment area. Details of the project were not clear; research would be needed to recover more details.

ECWC Action Plan— The ECWC Action Plan 2014 was reviewed with the goal of updating the plan. Completed and Obsolete tasks were removed and other items will be reorganized and updated. New items were added to the list. Further development of all the items on the action plan is needed; discussion will continue at future meetings. The Action Plan will be an agenda item each meeting to keep the objectives of the Council in clear view of Council members. The items have yet to be prioritized.

Summary of changes from today's meeting.

Remove – Arch Cape Park Acquisition, Local landscaping company outreach event for invasive weeds and pesticides, Cannon Beach 55-acre parcel meeting participation, ECFR Large Woody Debris education

Further information needed – Knotweed control (including lead for city property, Arch Cape and Cannon Beach private property), Yellow Arch Angel removal

Items to remain (reorganization and further development needed) – Asbury Creek culvert replacement, General Outreach/Education, Invasive Species (education and annual removal work), Large Wood OWEB Report & Monitoring, ECFR Thinning Project /Bridge Project, Water Quality Testing, Chisana Creek daylighting feasibility study

Other – Elk Flats Restoration – Phase II – review OWEB grants to determine if project is completed

Items to Add – ECFR Beaver Habitat Restoration, ECFR Stewardship Plan projects, CB North Entrance Scotch Broom, Water Conservation, Advocate for Purchase of Land to Protect the Recharge Area of the CB Springs.

Good of the Order – Ed thanked the city, Bruce St Denis in particular, for supporting the Beaver Restoration Project. Scott reported that Trevor Mount (CB assistant Public Works Director) that Ecola Creek was randomly selected by ODFW for a fish survey this Fall.

The next meeting will be on July 15.