

Stillaguamish River Clean Water District Advisory Board

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Meeting Summary - FINAL Thursday, October 28, 2010 5:30 – 7:30 PM Peace Lutheran Church, Silvana

Attendance

Board Members Present: Max Albert, Bill Best, Christine Betchley, Jody Brown, John Connolly, Bobbi Lindemulder, Cathy Stanley, Herm van Lier, Mike Wolanek

Board Members Excused: Bruce Black, Dave Ridgeway, Kelly Wynn

SWM Staff: Steve Britsch, Sean Edwards, Cindy Flint, Mike McGuinness

Guests: Leif Fixen, Gina Gray, Kristin Marshall

Welcome, introductions, agenda review, and meeting summary

CWD Advisory Board Chair John Connolly opened the meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Sean provided hard copies of the following materials:

- CWDAB 10/28/10 draft meeting agenda,
- Draft schedule of CWDAB 2011 meetings and focus topics,
- CWDAB 9/23/10 revised meeting summary,
- Notice of septic system care workshops sponsored by WSU Extension in the Stillaguamish watershed (10/28/10 Stanwood, 11/10/10 Granite Falls, 11/13/10 Stanwood)
- Notice of 11/4/10 Snohomish County Focus on Farming workshop

John reviewed the draft agenda. **The 9/23/10 revised meeting summary was approved as written.**

Subcommittee reports

Max reported that the Finance Subcommittee met at Herm's house on 10/24/10. Max, Bill, John, Herm, and Mike met with SWM staff on 10/27/10 to review and discuss how CWD revenues are allocated to SWM projects. Max noted that these meetings with SWM are helping to create a mutual understanding between SWM staff and the CWD Advisory Board. The Finance Subcommittee will continue to meet with SWM every 4 – 6 weeks. For 2011 the Finance Subcommittee intends to shift its focus to other financial topics besides shellfish. **SWM and the Finance Subcommittee have agreed to replace SWM expenditure reports from quarterly to annual reports.**

Sean reported on the following shellfish protection activities completed in October:

CWD Inter-Agency Cooperation

- Snohomish County Council, Public Works Committee briefing (10/5/10)
- Shellfish Program briefing for Flood Control District Commissioners (10/21/10)
- Warm Beach Camp meeting (10/26/10)
- Scope of work for 2011 SHD sanitarian services for the CWD (ongoing)

Public Education and Outreach

- Posted CWDAB letter to Council on the CWD website (9/30/10)
- Posted Shellfish Program briefing on the CWD website (10/6/10)
- Slow Food Port Susan meeting (10/16/10)
- Contact made with Trans Ocean Seafoods (10/17/10)
- Referred Black Bird Café and Warm Beach Camp to Trans Ocean Seafoods
- CWD Education & Strategic Planning meetings (x4)
- Warm Beach Camp horse stables tour w/ SCD (10/30/10)

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Bacterial Pollution Source Identification and Control

- Field tested rapid assessment methods for fecal waste and trash at public access areas in the CWD (10/6/10)
- Port Susan Marine Stewardship Area Workshop (10/19 – 10/20/10)
- Bacteria Microbial Water Quality Assessment work planning for 2011 (ongoing)

Q&A regarding SWM response to CWD Advisory Board's 4/28/10 recommendations letter.

Mike McGuinness provided hard copies of SWM's written response to the CWD Advisory Board's 4/28/10 recommendations letter and invited questions. **SWM will provide a written response to the Board's 2011 recommendations letter by the June, 2011 CWD Advisory Board meeting. The Board agreed to route future draft letters to the Stanwood Mayor for review and comment if the letters address any issues related to the City of Stanwood.**

CWD education and outreach strategic planning update

Cindy Flint presented a PowerPoint update on the CWD education and outreach strategic planning effort. Hard copies of the presentation were provided. Thus far the project team has developed the following vision statement and strategies:

- Vision: Foster stewardship and awareness of the Stillaguamish River watershed to restore clean water, manage storm and flood waters, and ensure healthy aquatic systems.
- Strategy 1: Understand the Audience
- Strategy 2: Build Awareness
- Strategy 3: Encourage Stewardship

Next steps include developing tactics for implementing each of the three strategies. The final strategic plan will be presented at the 1/27/11 CWD Advisory Board meeting. This strategic plan is intended to focus and coordinate the CWD education and outreach efforts of SWM, Snohomish Conservation District, and the CWD Advisory Board for 2011 and future years. The strategic plan will include specific tactics for utilizing the CWD Discretionary Fund to implement Strategy 3 (encourage stewardship).

Stillaguamish River bacteria microbial water quality assessment: methodology and work plan

Sean Edwards and Steve Britsch presented a PowerPoint overview of the methodology and work plan for SWM's Stillaguamish Bacteria Microbial Water Quality Assessment (MWQA) project. Hard copies of the presentation were provided.

2011 CWD Advisory Board schedule and focus topics

The following additional focus topics were proposed for 2011: 1) in-kind services provided by Snohomish County Road Maintenance in lieu of cash payment of CWD fees, 2) additional review of Discretionary Fund guidelines, 3) legal rights and responsibilities of boards and commissions.

The meeting adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Next Meeting: Thursday, January 27, 2011, 5:30 – 7:30 p.m., Peace Lutheran Church, Fellowship Hall.

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