OSWEGO LAKE WATERSHED COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Gubanc's Pub and Restaurant

Friday, July 10, 2015

The *vision* of the Oswego Lake Watershed Council is a healthy properly functioning watershed. This vision is of streams, wetlands, riparian forests, upland forests/trees, Oswego Lake, and other natural resources working together as a sustainable ecological system that supports good water quality, productive habitat for native plant and animal communities, and enhanced quality of life.

The *mission* of the Oswego Lake Watershed Council is to foster stewardship, education, participation, and financial support for the purpose of the conservation, restoration, enhancement, and maintenance of watershed functions that achieve and sustain a healthy watershed.

1. **Welcome and Introductions:** Directors present were Chair Stephanie Wagner, Mary Ratcliff, Rob Amsberry, Tom Bland, Mike Buck, and Sarah Asby, Mark Rosenkrantz.   Guests were intern, Maddee Rubenson, Project Coordinator, Grady Shelton, and David Beckett.

2. **Operations**

• **Resolved: Minutes for June 12, 2015 were unanimously approved and accepted.**

• **Financial Report**: Tom passed out Financial Statement (PNL) that shows our balance at $30,262.39.   Our bookkeeper, Aleta, took past statements and put them in Quickbooks. Tom and Aleta have created the necessary separate categories in this program and Tom will monitor the financial reports in light of our approved budget. **Resolved: Financial report accepted as stated by Watershed Council in unanimous vote.**

3. **Council Business:**

• **Lake Oswego Habitat Enhancement Grant Implementation Update**: Grady reported the progress of Boutwell Creek project: Invasive species removed on a 20 foot buffer with some native species replanting. Extensive planting suspended due to prevailing high temperatures. Grady has organized multiple work parties at Hallinan project site with another set for August 2nd. David Beckett asked whether herbicides could help clear the invasives. Grady said that we have not used them to date but if we did in the fall especially at the Springbrook Creek site by Boones Ferry Road, he would be following the guidelines utilized by Parks and Recreation. Grady believed we would be starting at this third site in the last weeks of August. He will also be purchasing a few tools to have on hand for our continued habitat projects. Invoices for equipment, plants, and materials have worked for the reimbursement process set up by Tom.

Grady also reported about the Brighton neighborhood meeting which is located in the Tualatin River drainage. Stephanie and Mike accompanied him in this on site visit with concerned neighbors on their designated wetland with years of neglected maintenance for this water conveyance system.   The neighbors want some direction

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on how best to remove the invasives and improve the water functions and ponds for better habitat. Funding mechanisms and cooperation with the City for these enhancement goals was also discussed with the neighbor leads. Council members digressed for a short update on what faces the City next in compliance with DEQ water standards.

• **Mountain Park Tanglewood Park Project:** Sarah reported that Mountain Park will hear about their grant request from Metro by Sept.4th. Dwight Sangrey wants to apply in September for the OWEB grant to help supplement project work on this tributary. Council discussed the importance of publicizing what Mountain Park is doing and how our own OLWC is working on smaller sites that larger conservancy groups would not countenance doing.

• **Shared Project Management with TCWC:** Stephanie reported that she has not received any communication yet from Corrina.

• **Comp Plan NRAB comments:** Stephanie will share with us her draft in September.

5. Public Announcements: Hallinan work parties on July 11th and July 19th at 9:00 – 12:00.

6. Meeting Adjourns: 9:30 am.

7. Next Meeting set for August 14, 2015. (Stephanie cannot attend.) Hope was to include Dwight as a guest.

(Minutes amended with next meeting set for August 9, 2015 at 9:00am at Gubanc's.)

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