

**Glenn and Gibson Creeks Watershed Council
Meeting Notes for June 18, 2015
West Salem High School Titan Room**

Members present: Glenn Creek resident **Ken Bierly (GGWC Chair)**, Belvedere Brook resident **David Simmons (GGWC Vice Chair)**, Glenn Creek resident **Linda Bierly (GGWC Secretary)**, homeowner's and Audubon Society's representative **Dorald Stoltz**, environmental groups representative **Jim Castle (GGWC Treasurer)**, West Salem Neighborhood Association representative **E.M. Easterly**

Guest: Lucas Hunt, Rickreall WSC

Minutes Without objection, the May 21, 2015 minutes are approved.

Treasurer's report / Mid Willamette Watershed Alliance and GGCWSC: Jim Castle

Jim presented reports on the OWEB Council support grant and the GGWC discretionary funds and HIP fund.

The 2013-15 OWEB Council Support grant agreement, including the budget, is on file at Mid- Willamette Watershed Alliance, our fiscal agent. Current financial reports for GGWC funds are on file and available upon request from Treasurer **Jim Castle** jimacastle@comcast.net

Jim explained that the Mid-Willamette Alliance will continue to hold non-OWEB funds for the Glenn Gibson WC. A new Alliance treasurer is taking over for Jim. Jim will continue as Treasurer for the Glenn Gibson WC. He will also complete the 2013-15 OWEB Council Capacity granting process.

Jim and David will resolve an outstanding prepayment for the last biennium.

Coordinator's Report

Nathan was not present for the meeting and did not provide a report.

Old Business

Sponsoring Willamette Futures film and Willamette Report Card: the event to show "Up River", a film about the health of the Willamette River and publication of the Willamette Report Card, a report on the health of the Willamette River sponsored by the Meyer Memorial Trust will take place Sept. 20 at Riverfront Park. GGWC will be one of the sponsors of the event, using HIP funds.

Council Capacity Funding update: Jim Castle, Ken Bierly and Lucas Hunt met June 18, 2015 to discuss the remainder of the funds in the 2013-15 and the status of the application for the OWEB 2015-17 Council Capacity grant. The application for the 2015-17 OWEB Council Capacity Grant for GGWC and RWC has been submitted. The staff report on council capacity grant reviews will be released July 6, 2015. Grant awards will be made at the July 28, 2015 OWEB meeting. The final report on the 2013-2015 council support grant must be submitted by June 30, 2015 and no grant will be awarded until the final report is submitted. Ken Bierly and Lucas Hunt will compile and submit the final grant report.

New Business

Termination Letter / supporting memo for use of remaining OWEB Council Support grant: GGWC members reviewed the attached termination letter and supporting memo. Without objection, they are adopted.

Council Reports:

Polk SWCD – David Simmons reports that the District is in the process of hiring an adult outreach coordinator. The budget is passed. The District is looking at purchasing property and conservation easements with a view to the preservation of habitats.

Small grant team – no meeting

Audubon Society – Dorald attended the Don Christiansen memorial service. Mr. Christiansen was a strong community supporter and had worked on the Audubon Nature Reserve Committee, participating in restoration activities in which GGWC had a role. Lee Slatum is now the Nature Reserve Committee Chair for Audubon.

West Salem Neighborhood Association – E.M. reported on the successful passage of the Polk Public Safety bond in the last election.

Work Plan priorities

GGWC members have established the following work plan priorities:

1. Completion of the CREP TA grant - very high, current grant **Completed**
2. Urban Rain Garden – high **in progress but stalled**
3. CREP follow-up – high **completed**
4. School based events – **completed** – November 14, 2014 visitation of 3rd class at Chapman Hill Elementary
5. Audubon Site - high, current grant **in progress**
6. Fall Leaf Haul – **2014 event** completed, but with very low turn-out – reconsideration in progress
7. Invasive Control in city parks – high **in progress**
8. Membership - board responsibility? **No current action**
9. New grant applications – high **in progress**
10. Tree planting event - high, current **completed**
11. Fish passage project at Orchard Heights Park – moderate **no current action**
12. Outreach partners - ongoing as projects demand **in progress**

A series of quarterly outcomes will be identified for each priority and presented to the Council

Next Meeting Information

- July 16, 2015
5:30pm -7:00pm
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Respectfully submitted,
Linda Bierly, Secretary
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