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Glenn and Gibson Creeks Watershed Council Rickreall Watershed Council Meeting Notes for May 19, 2016 Salem towne – Breezeway Meeting Room

Members present: Glenn Creek resident **Ken Bierly (GGWC Chair)**, **Linda Bierly (GGCWSC Secretary)**, coordinator **Lucas Hunt**, **Salem towne** resident **Jim Scott**, City of Salem representative **Keith Bondaug-Winn**, Polk SWCD representative **David Simmons**, **Nancy Heuler (Rickreall WSC Secretary)**, **Rich and Janice Woolcott RWC**, **Douglas Fitting RWC**

Potluck with wonderful hamburgers prepared and grilled by Lucas Hunt on the Polk SWCD BBQ!

Discussion of the potential for some sort of joint effort

Members of the GGWC and RWC discussed the OWEB capacity building grant application to be submitted by both watershed councils. Both councils agree that potential exists for a joint organization and further agree to more discussion on how this organization might be structured. Potential benefits were discussed and potential areas of concern were discussed. GGWC Chair Ken Bierly, RWC Chair Jennifer Bakke and Lucas Hunt, coordinator for both councils will write the grant application to be submitted by June 6, 2016.

Coordinator's Report

Lucas Hunt reported on the following activities:

Eola Ridge Park and West Salem Schools Outreach – Lucas has sprayed the regrowth of blackberries. Myers Elementary 3rd, 4th and 5th graders will have field trips to the park on May 25th. Lucas will set up three stations to explain various elements of the park and the restoration project. In December, Friends of Trees will be planting native trees and plants.

Holman Park Ivy pull with Rickreall WSC and Grande Rhonde youth crew is in the planning process. Lucas will work on a date and partners for a work day pulling ivy at Holman Park.

Old Business

Events

- Wallace Marine Park Ivy Pull May 21, 9:00 am – noon
- Polk Co. Fair Booth August 11 to August 13 from 10am-10pm

New Business

Council Reports

Polk SWCD – Claudia the fish is being refinished, Polk SWCD moving forward on 2 land purchases for conservation and restoration, this is the 50th anniversary year for Polk SWCD

City of Salem- stream team interns will begin working at the end of May. GGWC members discussed the possibility of applying for a small grant to write a management plan for Van Kleeck property. Keith will bring a map of the property to the June meeting.

Audubon Society - bike riders have moved logs to continue biking down the slope. Logs have been moved again to interrupt the trail formation that causes the erosion. This project will need continued monitoring.

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Small Grant Team meets next week, 2 applications have been submitted

West Salem Neighborhood Association – Edgewater Community Fair is being planned

Next Meeting Information

June 16, 2016 5:30pm -7:00pm

Salemtowne Breezeway Room

Respectfully submitted,

Linda Bierly, Secretary

Between meetings, call: 503-362-6860