

Conservation Commission Agenda Notes  
September 4, 2018

1. Slight amendments requested to the 8/21 meeting notes:
  - a. Please add, to #7, from meeting with Peter Carney LCWMD that we discussed their concern about development within Sable Oaks area which comprises a large portion of the clean water source for Long Creek
  - b. 6D – please change 50% to 80%
2. Old Business:
  - a. FWCF Inventory Report
    - i. Discussion about next steps, including properties we could inventory
      1. Old Joe’s Pond – Tom Blake has asked the City Manager to put this back on the workshop agenda. We plan to list this in the updated FWCF Inventory report. Megan will follow-up with Tom
      2. Hinkley Park – Pat’s feedback was to stay keenly aware of the definition and criteria that define wetlands, as these ponds might not qualify as wetlands. Megan to find out what exactly Kevin wants to do before listing in the FWCF as a priority.
      3. Barberry Creek South of Broadway (near Dock’s) – Related to China Garden drive-through and request to waive the standard stormwater management protocol. Megan will follow-up with Steve based on email that Dan sent asking about the standard protocol, and what this means for FWCF, etc.
        - a. Group determined that it’s important to focus on both “ends” of Broadway, but to perhaps make a distinction and split Barberry into two different parcels for the actual FWCF inventory listing, due to the different ownership issues.
      4. Mahoney/Trout Brook – we gave them a grant and they haven’t used it yet, but regardless, parcel will likely still need to be listed as the grant funded project won’t have fully “fixed” the problems
      5. Who has a map of all wetlands in the city? We’d like to see a full list. Megan to ask Tex/Pat.
    - b. O’Neill Street Update – none at this time
    - c. Mildred – none at this time; Megan to ask for an update on Mildred when emailing Pat for other questions/answers
    - d. Open Space Forum Update – Barb sent notes to the entire group, please read. Public forum outcomes include the need to create three subcommittees and simply do the work needed. We’ll still have the public meeting, though not the 2<sup>nd</sup> public forum, and we’ll ensure that anything that might raise public flags are addressed.
    - e. Climate meeting update

- i. Items 5-7 are the most important for this group to read from the RFP– group should read this before the next meeting
  - ii. Dan asked Julie how we can help beyond being a cheerleader:
    - 1. Advocate for clean energy
    - 2. Attend Energy expo at USM on October 20
  - iii. Dan to share comprehensive notes from the meeting
- 3. New Business:
  - a. China Express request to waive basic stormwater management (Dan)
    - i. Discussed above
  - b. Membership in Commission/expiring terms
    - i. Barb is staying on Commission when her term expires in November
    - ii. Jody is going to email Linda Cohen and let her know that there will be a vacancy in November
    - iii. Megan is TBD (term expires in March)
- 4. Conservation Corner
  - a. Asian Long-horned beetle – Jody to draft
  - b. Open Space update – Barb to draft
- 5. Environmental Steward – follow up and schedule a time to meet
- 6. Follow up w/Greg about funds for joining state-based conservation commission

Agenda:

- Discuss how we can be more involved with other groups more:
  - Attend meetings
  - Read minutes
  - Read city newsletter
  - Be aware of when committee meetings are (and if we should attend)
  - Etc.
- Discuss FWCF next steps
  - Write-ups for Scott for his review to determine if vendor is needed?
- Environmental steward help?
- Update from Greg?
- Conservation Corner