



MINUTES

Illahee Preserve Stewardship Committee

Tuesday, March 21st, 2017

6:30 – 8:00 PM in Kitsap Pavilion Building at Fairgrounds

1. Welcome & Introductions

Attendees: Jim Aho, Jon Buesch, John Plant, Judith Krigsman, Lori Raymaker, Dale Boyle, Jon Chadborn, Michael Hays.

Minutes from last Meeting: Minutes of the 1/17/17 meeting were approved as read.

3. Business

- ⑩ Stewardship Plan Amendment: Jim Aho presented plan addendum for the Illahee Preserve project, as required by the Salmon Funding Recovery Board. This was a requirement for the 25 acre Lost Continent acquisition. The amendment was approved as read.
- ⑩ County's position on Lost Continent/Timber's Edge Phase 2: Jim informed the committee that the Lost Continent Phase 2 project for \$740K has been submitted to the legislature by Kitsap County. The appraised value of this property is \$870K. The legislative request is \$740K and \$130K must be raised from the community.
- ⑩ All Secure Update and Illahee Preserve to Manette Path: Paul Dutky informed the stewardship committee that the WDOT did not approve the suggested bike path along SR 303, which leaves the project without an end or terminal parking site for the bike path. Jim presented an Illahee Preserve Resolution, 2017-1 for a Proposed Purchase of Terminus Property for East Bremerton Bike Path. The resolution was voted upon and approved. Jim to present to bike committee meeting at Eagles Nest tonight.

- ⑩ Almira Shelter Progress Review: Lori has gotten an approved permit to begin construction of the shelter. It is anticipated that construction will begin in six weeks. The permit cost was approximately \$575.
- ⑩ Kitsap County Park's Report: Lori Raymaker invited two guests: Michael Hays and Jon Chadborn, representing the mountain bikes and trails community. They discussed types of trails that mountain bikers prefer. The Washington Trails Association donates 125,000 volunteer hours a year in Washington. There will be a trail design and construction workshop, free and open to the public, in April. Lori will send out this information. Lori will also send out information regarding an opportunity to get a project done in your park. Three projects will be selected from submitted applications to be chosen for an on-site project opportunity. Time sensitive. Lori will be out of her office the first week in April. A time will be set for a walk through the preserve with the mountain bike representatives. Judith thanked Lori for the great job developing the Stewardship Committee Handbook and for clearly defining the responsibilities of the Parks Dept., the stewards and the joint responsibilities of both.
- ⑩ Homeless watch - Almira corridor & car camping: Camping motor home observed in the Almira parking lot. We will keep watch.
- ⑩ Belden Property Update: Dale to follow-up on needed repair. Heart of the Park will be a grant opportunity for purchase with a keen eye kept on grant opportunity submittal ending dates.
- ⑩ Anyone need a Thank You: A big round of applause for the volunteers who just finished the latest improvement work party. The trails are well maintained by all the volunteers.
- ⑩ Wildlife & Nature reports: deer population increasing

4. Issues / Concerns

Enforcement items – car camping in Almira lot, dumping in parking lots, homeless camps in forest, dogs off-leash, dumping along Thompson Lane, brush picking, dog scoop, drug dealing, off-trail hiking, rogue trail building, tree poachers, paint ball, & motorcycles.

5. Adjourn 8:15 PM

The Illahee Preserve Stewardship Committee meets on the third Tuesday of the month to discuss issues associated with the Illahee Preserve. The next regularly scheduled meeting of Illahee Preserve Stewardship Committee is **April 18th, 2017**.

NOTE: Illahee Forest Preserve, the non profit 501(c)(3) corporation which supports the Illahee Preserve, meets the middle month of each quarter on the 3rd Tuesday of that month.

Judith Kringsman, Secretary