



1. Meeting Notes

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Board Meeting Minutes

Puyallup River Watershed Council Board of Directors
Puyallup City Hall
August 22, 2013
3:30 p.m.

Board Members in Attendance: Lorin Reinelt, Teresa Lewis, Linda Burgess, Bill Anderson, Kurt Fremont, Mark Lavergne, Mark Palmer Barbara Skinner, Ryan Mello,

Board Members Absent: Jason Jordon, Cheryl Greengrove, Russ Ladley, Tom Kantz

Call to Order 3:47

First Order of Business: Decisions for Steward Awards
Government Award to City of Puyallup
Group Award to Pierce Conservation District
Individual Award to Rosendo Guerrero, Trout Unlimited
Nomination forms attached.

Second Order:

Theresa Lewis heading out for the Forum Field Trip:

- Fennel Creek Restoration Project
- Puyallup River Floodplain Restoration

I. Review and Accept Minutes of the July 25th Meeting
No Minutes Taken

II. Treasurer's Report – Barbara Skinner
No change from last report

III. Old Business

IV. New Business

- A. Discussion about Monthly Forums – Teresa Lewis
Low attendance lately
Do we have enough outreach? Is this an effective way to educate people?
We could use the TRFF Communities of Interest groups as report-outs on a quarterly basis.
Good retreat topic
Environmental education will be a big driver for TRFF

B. Consideration of New Board Members

Bob Meeks resigned.

Mark Heckert is interested in serving on the Board as an individual representative
Shelly Schlumpf also recommended Patty Denny as a business representative
2 business slots and one citizen slot open now.

Board approves the recommendation for requesting both for a one year
commitment. Bill will send them the By-laws and ask for them to join.

C. Discussion of PRWC Role in The Russell Family Foundation Puyallup River
Watershed Initiative

D. Annual Watershed Steward Awards

See above; First Order of business

E. Update on Salmon Homecoming Event – Teresa Lewis

Salmon Homecoming Saturday, September 21, 2013

11:00am to 3:00 pm.

More promotion to come

F. Committee Updates

Lorin Reinelt

Working through socio-economic/land-use chapter. Getting closer to completion.

Jeffrey Raker called and noted they are putting together a watershed background
document- a summary document and interactive map-based tool for different GIS
layers in the watershed. WOSS = Watershed Open Space Strategy. Meeting from 1-
3:00 at TPCHD Monday.

Only 2 ½ chapters left, if any feedback please let Lorin know.

Might condense the report into a less technical reader friendly version for the
website.

V. Other Business and Announcements

- Bill Anderson submitted the statement of interest to TRFF for the Council's
interest in being a Community of Interest. Bob Warren, TRFF, is interested in
the proposal and would like to help us build as a Community of Interest. Will
be determining first steps for such a CI as to how to build a website, staff and
make it an effective organization.

Volunteers to meet with Bill Anderson and Bob Warren next week: Kurt,
Linda, Mark

- Barbara Skinner
Forever Green also came up with a really good statement of interest for
TRFF as a Community of Interest.
- Need to put the December retreat on the next agenda for September.
- Mark Palmer
Additional half million dollar grant for Meeker Creek announced

- More porous streets completed
- Got 2.1 million for the 15th street stormwater quality project. At 90% design, built next year when school is out
- Clarks Creek- hand pulled all three miles of the creek for Elodia harvesting with diver assistance. Took out over 10,000 50lb onion skin bags.

VI. Adjourn

Steward Award Nominations (missing City of Puyallup)

The Puyallup River Watershed Council (PRWC) wants to recognize people, groups, businesses and local governments that have made significant contributions to the health of the Puyallup River watershed. Please use this form to provide the Council with information about your nominee(s).

Nomination Category:

individual group small business large business local government

Nominee Name: _____Rosendo Guerrero_____

Name of Contact Person _____(same) Trout Unlimited – Tacoma Chapter_____ (for business or government)

Nominee email address (if available) _____rosendo64@yahoo.com_____

Nominee phone number (if available) _____(253) 861-8964_____

Your Name _____Lorin Reinelt_____

Your email address _____lorin.reinelt@kingcounty.gov_____

Brief Description of Reasons for Nomination (use back of form if additional space is needed)

Rosendo has done an amazing job over the last 4 years on the clean-up efforts along the Puyallup River. He started with a vision to clean up after the first major pink run in 2009 when fisherman left a lot of trash along the river. It has grown into an annual event and extended to multiple rivers. In 2010, volunteers removed over 4.5 tons of trash from the river shoreline. This is a great example of grass roots volunteerism. Rosendo saw a problem and came up with a solution to get the community involved in protecting the river.

Here's a link to a story about the 2011 event:

http://www.tacomaweekly.com/news/view/make_friends_with_your_river/

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Nominee Name: Pierce Conservation District

Name of Contact Person Melissa Buckingham
(for business or government)

Nominee email address (if available) melissab@piersecountycd.org

Nominee phone number (if available) (253) 845-2973

Your Name Mark Palmer

Your email address mpalmer@ci.puyallup.wa.us

Brief Description of Reasons for Nomination (use back of form if additional space is needed)

Pierce Conservation District has been a consistent and valuable contributor to the City of Puyallup's restoration efforts on Silver, Meeker and Clarks Creek, as well as valuable contribution to the City's well known rain garden program. PCD has also been a key player in the 8th Ave NW LID Retrofit and Clarks Creek Porous Maintenance Road and Riparian Restoration projects. In addition, PCD is in the planning stages of implementing the planting plan for the Meeker Creek Channel Restoration Project and the revised Green Stormwater Infrastructure Incentive Program, which will provide material and technical assistance to homeowners in the City of Puyallup who want to install rain gardens, rain barrels, porous driveways and other GSI BMPs. With the limited staff available at the City, none of these programs could be effectively or efficiently completed. In addition to coordinating the large number of volunteers required for these projects, PCD also provided education and outreach to these same volunteers, leveraging the projects goals and objectives. PCD is an essential element to all the City of Puyallup accomplishes.