

KITSAP COUNTY NOXIOUS WEED BOARD MEETING
THURSDAY, JULY 20TH, 2006
7-9 POPLARS ROOM
SILVERDALE COMMUNITY CENTER

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Jane Wentworth, Joyce Komac, Wendy McClure, Joanne Weber, Dana Coggon, and Toni Probert.

I. No introductions or public comments.

II. Minutes:

Corrections: III. Spell out the acronym SSWM-Surface Stormwater Waste Management. Joyce motioned to accept the corrections, and Jane seconded. The May 18th, 2006 minutes were approved as corrected.

III. Announcements & Board Comments:

Joanne announced a meeting of Stewards and Commissioner Lent on Friday, July 21th at 4:30 P.M. at the Poplar Room. The meeting is to discuss the departure of the Facilities, Parks and Recreation Director and the impending departure of Joseph Coppo.

Joanne would like the Board to revisit the 2006 Goals and Objectives set forth at the beginning of the 2006 year.

IV. There was not Extension Report,

V. Action Item: Board meeting Schedule Change:

Dana recommended possibly changing the meeting schedule to every other month. Discussion followed, Jane stated the Board legally only needs to hold public meetings quarterly. The Board resolved to have meetings in September and November of this year and review the schedule at the beginning of the 2007 year. Jane suggested that if any important issues should arise warranting any additional meetings, Board members would be contacted.

An announcement will be submitted to the media about the meeting schedule change for the remainder of the 2006 year.

VI. Class A noxious weed removal:

Dana is interested in offering help to landowners with the removal of Class A noxious weed, Giant Hogweed. The Board thought this might be good public outreach,

The new policy shall read: "Because Giant Hogweed is a Class A noxious weed, with limited distribution and is a public health hazard, the Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board authorizes the County Coordinator to perform control work based on an Integrated Pest Management plan in cooperation and participation with property landowners."

Joanne motioned to approve the new policy and Joyce seconded it, the new policy passed.

VII. Budget:

The Board was presented the proposed Budget for 2007 and 2008. Dana and the Board came up with specific questions to present to Arley Bright, of the Kitsap County Budget office. Questions arose on availability of funds to help send Board members to conferences or workshops.

VII. Letters and Notices 2006

Dana stated the "Notice of Violation" has been sent three times to the Kitsap County attorney for review. It has been about 3 weeks since it was last sent and she has received no response. Jane suggested Dana possibly contact the County Commissioners to let them know of the delay.

VIII. Project Updates:

- a. **Anderson Landing:** A grant from Department of Fish and Wildlife has afforded Kitsap County to spray 2 applications in 2006 and 2007. Val Koehler, Kitsap County Stream Team, Brian Hauschel, Kitsap County Facilities and Parks, and Dana met at Anderson Landing on July 17th, to evaluate for herbicide spraying. Letters have been sent to property owners along Little Anderson Creek informing them of the spraying and providing release forms to do work on individual properties in the future. The County will start spraying on July 25th, 2006.
- b. **Long Lake:** The alum treatment will start July 21st. Long Lake Daze will be August 19th, Toni and Joyce will be attending the event.
- c. **Schold Farm:** The tansy ragwort and thistle are going to seed. Joanne asked if she and Dana could attend the next commissioner's meeting and present Commissioner Endresen with a bouquet of tansy ragwort.
 - i. Jane stated since no long range plan for control of the noxious weeds has been submitted to the Board, the next step would be to send them a "Notice of Violation".
- d. **Indianola Ivy Out:** Commissioner Endreson has approved funding for a trash container bin to be made available for disposal of the ivy in Indianola.
- e. **Noxious Weed Advisor Training:** The training has concluded for this year. Students are required to do an outreach project over the course of the next year.
 - i. Noxious weed advisor Steve Kendall, a senior State Park ranger, brought together the park rangers from the State Parks in Kitsap County for a Weed Identification Class July 6th 2006.

IX. Program Coordinator Report:

- a. **Events:** Bainbridge in Bloom; Dana Produced one poster for the event and provided coloring sheets for youth. North Kitsap Hansville Greenway Day; a small crowd of about 60 for the day no new products were created.
- b. **Surveys:** Toni has been inputting data on the Ekosystems. Ekosystems is working on correcting the Latitudes and Longitudes.
- c. **Information sent out:** The article in the Kitsap Sun has produced over 100 calls from the public, interested in receiving information on knotweed, the Dirty Dozen, the Kitsap County 2006 Noxious Weed List.
- d. **Educational materials created:** Rhiannon, Webmaster in the WSU Kitsap County Extension office, has PDF'd informational sheets on the Dirty Dozen, along with a brochure on the Dirty Dozen.

X. Other items:

These items were tabled for the September meeting.

- a. Cost share discussion
- b. Magnetic Signs and a Banner
- c. Creating a spending policy for volunteer groups

These items were tabled for the next meeting in September by Jane because of time restraints.

Meeting adjourned 9:10 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by:

Toni Probert

Kitsap County Noxious Weed Control Board Program Assistant