

**ENVIRONMENTAL CORRIDOR AND OPEN SPACE
COMMITTEE AGENDA
Thursday, July 20, 2023
3:30 PM
Village Board Room, Municipal Building, 210 Cottonwood**

Roll Call

1. Consideration of minutes.
2. Discussion/ action on current projects.
 - a. FECON use at Penbrook Conservancy.
 - b. Kiwanis tree planting.
 - c. Other.
3. Continued discussion on the five-year plan.
4. Announcements.
5. Adjourn.

Ryan Bailey, Village Manager

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**ENVIRONMENTAL CORRIDOR AND OPEN SPACE
COMMITTEE MINUTES - Amended
Thursday, May 18, 2023
3:30 PM
Village Board Room**

Roll Call: Present were Chip Schneeberger, Jim Muenzenberger, Dave Van Theil, Dave Felkner, Leo Jungbluth, Tom Jensen, Linda Hallquist guest Tim Hallquist

1. Dave V. made a motion to approve the April minutes, Chip seconded and motion passed 3 - 0.
2. There was an amendment to the agenda to discuss ECOS Board positions. The 5th position on the committee is still open. Suggestions included Darlene or Sarah and any old members of the committee. The committee will reach out to Jeff and post the opening on the village website.

There were also concerns about the Nixon dam which is slippery.

3. The secretary arrived at the meeting after this item was discussed.
4. Discussion/Action on current projects:
 - a. Kiwanis burned the wood pile created during the April clean up.
5. Discussion of development of the 5 year plan.
 - a. The committee continued to discuss and update the 5 -year plan.
6. Chip moved we adjourn the meeting and Linda seconded the motion. Motion passes 4 – 0 The meeting adjourned at 4:30.

**ENVIRONMENTAL CORRIDOR AND OPEN SPACE
COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, June 15, 2023
3:30 PM
Village Board Room**

Roll Call: Present were Chip Schneeberger, Jim Muenzenberger, Leo Jungbluth, Dave Felkner, Tom Jensen, Linda Hallquist

1. Jim. made a motion to approve the minutes as amended, to cover the time Linda was not at the meeting. Chip seconded and motion passed 2 - 0. Amended minutes are attached.
2. There was confusion over the chairman at the village because it was not documented in any prior minutes. The committee informed staff that when Tim Rhode took minutes, Jim had been elected chair. To make the records correct, Chip nominated Jim as committee chair, Linda seconded it, and the motion passed 2-0.
3. Agenda item 5 was moved to item 3 on the agenda. The committee agreed to send an email out 2 weeks before the meeting. Members will have 2 days to respond before Jim sends to the village.
4. Current projects:
 - a. Knotweed: Knotweed is still an issue, it is located at Hill Street by Easy Street, the Hwy 16 and 83 off ramp, and Bark River West. It is all over the village. Village staff are continuing to do what they can to get it under control.
 - b. The tree order deadline was the week ended June 16. Bids will be sent out next week. Chip made a motion for the ECOS committee to purchase 4 trees for Centennial Park. Linda seconded the motion and the motion carried 3-0/.
5. Chip made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Linda seconded the motion. Motion carried 3 – 0 The meeting adjourned at 4:30.

ECOS 5-year plan

Bark River Corridor

Centennial Park

Park proper - west of paved path (Kiwanis as friend group)

1. Eradication- Kiwanis near pond/ bend, move burn pile.
2. Restoration- ground cover- village, add trees- Kiwanis, ECOS, village.
3. Maintenance- Regrowth- Kiwanis, general maintenance village

West bank- Merton (Ben Huth) – owns south to T

1. Eradication- Educate neighbors on invasive species control.
2. Restoration- Property owner
3. Maintenance- Property owner

**tree order due by June 2023

Rae Drive Corridor (Friends group from subdivision?)

Village owned to T. (pair/time with work on Centennial segment)

1. Eradication - Kiwanis to finish.
2. Restoration – ground cover – village, add trees – Kiwanis, ECOS, village.
3. Maintenance – Regrowth – Kiwanis, general maintenance village.
4. Special – Educate property owners/ no dumping on village property.

Privately owned. (They own to water's edge)

1. Eradication – village to keep path overhead clear/safe, river flowable.
2. Maintenance – village to maintain path surface, create better southern access.
3. Maintenance – boardwalk IATA. Owners the rest
4. Special – educate homeowners on everyone's responsibilities.

Hartbrook Park

Park proper

1. Maintenance - status quo - DPW

Hartbrook West (Friends group potential)

1. No eradication needed – village.
2. Restoration ongoing (add trees) – village.
3. Maintenance – village (regular budget).

Bark River Greenway

Hyw 16 to Lawn

1. Eradication – Remove dead trees – village, Knotweed village/ECOS.
2. Restoration – ongoing (add trees) village. (Replace chipped river path)
3. Maintenance – village (regular budget)

Lawn to Capitol

1. Eradication – completed by village.
2. Restoration – dogwood at bend, add trees – village/ECOS.
3. Maintenance – status quo DPW.

Privately owned Palmers to Haight Dr

West Bank (BMO, Tabi's, Pharmacy)

1. Eradication - Private – Educate property owners on invasive species control.
2. Restoration – Private
3. Maintenance - Private

East Bank (Palmer's, Haight/Fabian)

1. Eradication – Private – Educate property owners on invasive species control.
2. Restoration –
3. Maintenance -

Haight to Park

Library segment

1. Eradication – North Kiwanis, South weed control ECOS/Village DPW
2. Restoration – Kiwanis, Wild Ones?
3. Maintenance – Kiwanis, DPW

Legion Hall

1. Eradication – Private – Educate property owners on invasive species control.
2. Restoration – Private
3. Maintenance - Private

Private owners (Goodwin)

1. Eradication- Private – Educate property owners on invasive species control.
2. Restoration- Private
3. Maintenance - Private

Nixon Park

Park Proper

1. Maintenance – status quo DPW

West Bank

1. Eradication – Private- Educate property owners on invasive species control.
Village Segment – friends' group/ DPW.
2. Restoration- Private
3. Maintenance - Private

Mill Place Greenway

Village – East

1. Eradication – Friends group/DPW
2. Restoration – DPW, if needed
3. Maintenance – DPW
4. Special – DPW may remove blockage/debris at Cardinal Lane tunnel as needed.

Private – West

1. Eradication – Private -Educate property owners on invasive species control.
2. Restoration- Private
3. Maintenance - Private

Reviewed To here.

Cardinal to Cottonwood

Marsh east -IATA

Private west

1. Special – Cottonwood bridge -portage area – village land.

Cottonwood Wayside/Marsh

Village owned.

1. Eradication –
2. Restoration –
3. Maintenance –
4. Special – **Task Force – engage with industrial properties, expand trail network to NGOs.**

IATA owned.

1. Eradication –
2. Restoration –
3. Maintenance –
4. Special - **Task Force – improve boardwalk, signage.**

WCLC owned.

1. Eradication –
2. Restoration –
3. Maintenance –
4. Special – Passible Bark River through property.

Other Lands

Maple Wayside

IATA

1. Eradication –
2. Restoration –
3. Maintenance –
4. Special – **Task Force – Educational use for Ice Age Geology.**

Penbrook Park

Park Proper

1. Maintenance – status quo DPW.

Conservancy

1. Eradication –
2. Restoration -
3. Maintenance –
4. Special -

Private owners- **Task Force – Educational signage, engage adjacent owners.**

Nottingham Park

1. Eradication –
2. Restoration –
3. Maintenance –

4. Special - Survey 2024 Task Force – engage with adjacent homeowners (Friend group?)

Northwest Park

1. Eradication –
2. Restoration –
3. Maintenance –
4. Special - Task Force – Bird Sanctuary

Updated 6/16/23.