

MASON COUNTY CLEAN WATER DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes for December 1st, 2022 (via Zoom)

12/01/2 – CTO 1:03 by Commissioner Shutty

Welcome & Introductions: Roll Call

Members: Erica Marbet - SIT, Glenn Landram – Citizen (Not present), Nick Schneider – MCD, Kevin Shutty, BOCC, Erin Ewald – Taylor Shellfish (not present), Teri King – Citizen, Evan Bauder – MCD, Jason Ragen – Taylor Shellfish

Other Agencies/Public: Art Whitson – Port of Grapeview, Alena Reynolds – ECY, Jean Frost – WSDOH, Tom Bloomfield – Seattle Shellfish, Kenny Oberg, City of Shelton, Seth Book (citizen) Bob Postore (citizen)

County Staff: JJ Stepan, Erik Doran, Ian Tracy

Review Agenda: No changes

Review/Approval of minutes: Teri requested correction of minutes, asked to have meeting to understand language. Will table correction for now and include two minutes in next meeting. Briefing will be with DOH about language.

Public Comments: None

Program Overview:

- Ian introduced new member Art Whitson, briefed on staff changes since last meeting - loss of employee Travis Casey and gaining 2 employees JJ Stepan and Erik Doran
- JJ briefed on his ambient monitoring work, establishing 33 fixed sites for sampling
- JJ discussed plans for putting stream data up on website, instilling publicly accessible map of test sites displaying month to month data for streams. Wants to implement hyperlink that will take to a page with a graph displaying month to month data on specific stream clicked. Also plans to have data on a spreadsheet available to download for public use. Will need to work with IT to implement. Asked for suggestions for any other useful features.
- Seth suggested retaining all data by flagging data vs throwing out data to be used for current water quality assessments under the quality of water act. Suggests making these data quality specimens usable, shareable, and accessible for assessment
- Erica and group discussed high fecal coliform hits on Cranberry and Deer creek along with observations around the areas
- Erik discussed Septic O/M work and the response from the spring 2022 mailing of unsatisfactory letters, about 30% respondents called back, 16% had already resolved the issues.
- Erik discussed current mailing project will be approx. 900 unsatisfactory letters, staggered as to not overload staff, about 100 sent per week + will observe results.
- JJ discussed his project of going through OnlineRME and extracting all parcels who reflected a failing system on last inspection report, a total of 55 parcels, near bodies of water that have been categorized by location
- Seth discussed accessibility of OSS reports online and accessibility of data entering repairs online

- Teri asked if there was a way to get a report of numbers on a quarterly basis reflecting failing/deficient notices, how many replied and how many resolved

Next steps:

- Erik intends to start compiling a list of parcels who have never had an inspection vs unsatisfactory inspected parcels to start outreach
- JJ intends to go out to the 55 flagged parcels near water and speak with parcel owners to find if repairs have been made or what needs to be done for correction
- Next Meeting March, 2023.

Partner updates:

- Art discussed goal to get water sampling started at Mason Lake
- Kenny discussed program implementation and maintenance of Stormwater BMPs, progressive enforcement policy and heavy education and outreach within city limits with businesses. This will lead to inspection of about 70 sites, starting January. It will be on Mason County website once finalized. Pre-inspection letters will be sent to businesses to introduce the program.

Adjourned: 3:03 by Commissioner Shutty

Respectfully submitted:

Cheryl Craig, MCPH Clerical & Ian Tracy, EH Specialist