

# LAKE CREEK GREENWAY PARTNERSHIP

## BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, January 18, 2022 by ZOOM

7:01 pm – Call to order

**Board present:** Glenn Buckley, Bob Wise, Melissa Hendricks, Ted Cummings, Cheryl Conley

**Committee members present:** Peter Jensen

**Guests:** Dana Bruton

- **Introduction of Guest/s**
  - Dana taught for 34 years environmental sciences and other related classes. She retired a year ago and now she volunteers in a couple of organizations, including a state forest.
- **Acceptance of November Minutes**

Motion to accept November minutes accepted unanimously.
- **Financials – Glenn**
  - Acct Balance & outstanding obligations/assets
    - Total checking is at \$16,762.09 which is split into operating expenses \$6,531.16 and Capex/Program \$10,230.93.
    - There are \$3522.27 left from the WMPID grant; of which some will go to insurance and programming.
    - As of the date of this meeting, LCGP has only spent \$147.39 this year.
  - Budget Status 2022
    - Propose budget for 2022 is \$10,750.
  - Sources of operating funds
    - ExxonMobil is changing the process of their grant and LCGP is waiting for the new instructions.
  - See attachment for details: LCGP Financial Status
- **Committee Positions- All**
  - Grants Committee Chair
    - LCGP is not ready to discuss grants yet.
  - Program Committee Chair
    - Glenn will take the lead to organize the bi-annual events (Spring and Fall 2022) and will talk to Woodforest. Dana and Melissa are willing to help Glenn.
- **Communication/Publicity – Cheryl /All**
  - Newsletter
    - Glenn would like someone to be involved in writing the newsletter.
  - Community Presentations
    - A couple wrote a nice story in Facebook of their experience at the preserve.
    - Glenn suggested mentioning in Facebook the new trail development occurring on the west side of the preserve and announce the nature trail tours to be led by Master Naturalists.

- Dana proposed announcing the trail tours in *The Chronicle* on a Thursday because it corresponds to their wellness section.
- **Maintenance/Equipment/Storage – Bob/Melissa/Glenn**
  - Sale/Disposition of trailer – Bob
    - Given that selling the trailer has proven challenging, Bob suggests donating it.
    - Bob will take the lead on getting a license. Until then, LCGP will decide whether to sell or donate the trailer.
  - Organization of Storage Module
    - Reorganization of the storage module might be needed soon.
  - Mower Maintenance
    - The carburetor of the mowers might be broken. Bob will take the lead on figuring out what the problem is and fixing it.
- **Preserve/Trails Committee – Bob/Glenn**
  - New trail development – Bob/Glenn
    - Bob, Glenn, Peter, Bill and troop 80 worked together on clearing the new trail. They almost got to Mound Creek on Saturday. There are two potential access points to a beach.
    - Glenn presented a map of the progress done on the new trail on the west side of the preserve.
  - Existing Trail Status/Maintenance– All
    - Glenn plans to schedule two maintenance workdays by March.
  - Pollinator Bed Maintenance Plan – All
    - Not discussed
  - Scout Project Status – Glenn
    - Projects taken include prepping board walks with texture paint, putting a boardwalk across the drainage ditch entering the west side of the preserve, and improving the E-W blue trail with crushed granite.
    - Melissa offered to bring to the storage some T-posts she has at her house and that can be used on projects.
    - See attachment Lake Creek Preserve Eagle Project List for details
  - Link to Christine-Allen Park – Ted
    - Not discussed.
- **Canoe Trail – Mike**
  - Pending
- **Program**
  - Trail Tour Status – Glenn/Peter
    - Glenn recommended every member in the board to sign up for the trail tours.
  - Programs for Winter/Spring 2022
    - The event might be held at the preserve’s trail head. Visitors could park at the entrance road or the parking space at Christine-Allen Park.
    - Glenn suggested having presentations on snakes/native plants and hands on activities.
- **County Acquisition of Additional Preserve**
  - Status of Land Acquisition/park planning – Glenn

- It was confirmed that the land acquisition already went through the Commissioners Court.
- LCGP cannot move forward until the 64 acres have been officially transferred, which might take a couple of months.
- **Nature Center**
  - Status – Glenn/Cheryl
    - Bob explained that Mueller Metal Buildings donates building once a year to a non-profit organization.
    - Glenn and Bob have been working on a letter to apply to such award.
    - It is important to make sure there is a place on the land for the building. For this purpose, Glenn decided to talk to Bruce before submitting the letter.
    - A feasibility study (market analysis, preliminary layout, etc.) needs to be done and this will cost some money. WMPID might be involved in the study.
- **Coming Program Events**
  - Dates for new trail development – All
    - Glenn will send some proposed dates to everyone.
  - Date for Next Preserve Workday – All
    - Glenn will send an email with proposed dates.
  - Dates for Two Community Presentations in 2022 – All
    - Glenn, Dana and Melissa will propose a date at the next board meeting.
- **Next Meeting – Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 7:00pm**
  - LCGP will decide on Zoom vs in person in March.

Meeting adjourned 7:59 PM

## LCGP FINANCIAL STATUS

January 16, 2022

**Total Checking: \$ 16762.09; Opex: \$ 6531.16; Capex/Program: \$10230.93**

**Liabilities: \$0**

**Remaining WMPID Grant available \$3522.27**

**Outstanding: 0**

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2021 QUARTERLY INCOME/EXPENSE					
FIRST QTR		INCOME	0	EXPENSE	147.39
2ND QTR		INCOME		EXPENSE	
3RD QTR		INCOME		EXPENSE	
4TH QTR		INCOME		EXPENSE	

**TOTAL**

**BUDGET**

<b>PROJECT</b>	<b>ITEM</b>	<b>2021 PROPOSED</b>	<b>2021 TO 11-14- 2021</b>	<b>2022 PROPOSED</b>	<b>COMMENTS</b>
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</b>	Scout Projects	1500	3343.56	2000	5@400 each
	Miscellaneous Materials	500	130	1000	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>3473.56</b>	<b>3000</b>	
<b>PROGRAM</b>	Project Wild Workshop		350	0	
	speakers	1000	0	1000	
	refreshments	400	0	500	For staff/presenters
	signs	850	176.08	1000	6 color signs
	portapotties	500	0	600	4 @ 150each
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2750</b>	<b>526.08</b>	<b>3100</b>	
<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	game cameras/trail counter	0	1009.94	0	
-	Canoe Trail	1400	0	0	
-	Miscellaneous	500	513.87	500	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1900</b>	<b>1523.81</b>	<b>500</b>	
<b>OVERHEAD</b>	Web Site	287.64	512.57	600	
	Mail Box	288	288	300	
	Office Supplies	750	45.78	500	
	D&O/Liability Insurance*	1748.56	1748	2000	
	Security	1000		0	
	Accountant	450	450	500	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4524.2</b>	<b>3044.35</b>	<b>3900</b>	
<b>SCHOLARSHIP</b>	with MGSWCD for \$1500	750	750	750	

	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>750</b>	<b>750</b>	
	<b>GRAND TOTAL 2020 &amp; PROPOSED 2021</b>	<b>11,924.20</b>	<b>9317.8</b>	<b>11,250</b>	

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>PURPOSE</b>	<b>2021 PROPOSED</b>	<b>2021 TO DATE</b>	<b>2022 PROPOSED</b>	
EXXONMOBIL VIP Grants	Operating	1500	2000 recvd.	2000	
Hauber Foundation	Project Wild/Programs	0	0	0	
WIMPID Grant	Operating and Capital	9732.42	9732.26	7500	
Friends of Lake Creek	Operating	500	2846.5	500	
Dedicated Grants	Pollinator Project/Scholarship	750	750	750	
Miscellaneous	Operating/TBD	0	7.58	?	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>12,482.42</b>	<b>14788.09</b>	<b>10,750</b>	

## **LAKE CREEK PRESERVE EAGLE PROJECT LIST**

**1-16-2021**

### **TAKEN - WORK PENDING**

1. Clean and level selected (3-4) BW where needed, bleach then repaint with textured pant (Sherwin Williams Buckthorn with non-slip additive). **TAKEN – Lucy Long**
2. Construct a bridge across the drainage ditch on the west side of the FCT Bridge to connect to entrance to beginning of trail in western preserve. **IN PLANNING – Harshil Dinesha**
3. Improve about 100’ of the E-W blue trail starting at the end of the end of the current graveled area to rise in the land. Project includes staking landscaping timbers along the sides and filling with crushed granite. **TAKEN - Brody Bower.**

### **AVAILABLE PROJECTS**

1. Tallowood/Chinese Privet Eradication: Eagle/DCSA (several spring/summer projects) – Involves researching approved methods for removal, identifying the best approach (give reasons), surveying and marking trees for removal, then recruiting an appropriate team (chemicals need special adults). Eagle would be complete after initial phase. DCSA would require following up the following spring.
2. Add ATV barrier and fencing as appropriate at beginning of trail entering the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (Similar to current ATV Barrier on east side of FCT).
3. Complete an existing geotextile path through the muddy area under the FCT bridges to connect east and west preserves and add steps on the west side.
4. Mark and develop a section of trail on the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (connects to trails on east side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare). Multiple projects

5. Boardwalk and steps to cross 2 ravines between entrance to the western preserve and 2<sup>nd</sup> point bar.
6. Wildlife Survey – Involves using game cameras to determine the type and active periods of mammals within the preserve, recruiting birding and amphibian/reptile experts to help survey those groups then prepare a report summarizing the observed wildlife, and where and when they are active.

## **LAKE CREEK GREENWAY PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, March 15 by ZOOM**

**7:05 pm – Call to order**

**Board present:** Glenn Buckley, Bob Wise, Melissa Hendricks, Ted Cummings, Cheryl Conley, Pilar Crespo

**Committee members present:** none

**Guests:** Wes Reeves

- **Roll Call**
- **Introduction of Guest/s**
  - **Not discussed**
- **Acceptance of January Minutes**
  - Motion to accept January minutes accepted unanimously.
- **Financials – Glenn**
  - Acct Balance & outstanding obligations/assets
    - \$17,798.49 in checking account.
    - No outstanding liabilities remain in WIMPID.
    - Scholarship fund (\$ 750) was set aside because no one applied.
    - First quarter income – none.
  - Budget Status 2022
    - Budget – \$ 431.16 were spent so far out of the \$11,250 proposed for 2022.
  - Sources of operating funds
    - Insurance will be a big spending soon.
  - Special fund
    - LCGP has money set aside to operate comfortably for the next 2 years
  - See attachment for details: LCGP Financial Status
- **Committee Positions- All**
  - Grants Committee Chair
    - It is early to discuss about grants. First, LCGP needs to know what Charlie wants to do.
  - Program Committee Chair
- **Communication/Publicity – Cheryl /All**

- Newsletter
  - LCGP plans to publish a newsletter by June 2022. Glenn needs topics. Melissa suggested talking about the green trail. Bob suggested mentioning things visitors see in the trails.
  - Guided nature tours should also be publicized.
  - Bob suggested defining our audience. Glenn explained that it goes out to Texas Master Naturalists, scouters, and everybody in our volunteer list. Glenn will send this list to everybody. LCGP database in OneDrive stores this list.
  - Woodforest and Montgomery County need to discuss placing a sign indicating the entrance to the preserve.
- Community Presentations – not discussed.
- **Maintenance/Equipment/Storage – Bob/Melissa/Glenn**
  - Sale/Disposition of trailer – Bob
    - Trailer has not been sold yet. It is in Hasara’s lot right now.
    - Bob thinks LCGP should donate it, for example to the Boy Scouts.
    - Motion to donate the trailer was approved unanimously.
  - Organization of Storage Module – Bob
  - Mower Maintenance
- **Preserve/Trails Committee – Bob/Glenn**
  - New trail development status – Bob/Glenn
    - Blue and orange trails are in very good shape thanks to Glenn’s hard work on them. There is nothing to be mowed at this point.
    - Next maintenance day will focus on the green trail cutting logs in the south and west side. Northern section of the green trail should be in good shape.
  - Existing Trail Status/Maintenance– All
    - Glenn will show the Conroe Major the Blue and Orange trails.
  - Pollinator Bed Maintenance Plan – All
    - There is some maintenance work needed on the pollinator beds.
  - Scout Project Status – Glenn
    - Brody Bower will start soon solving the standing water by using decomposed granite.
    - Ainsely Frye will build 10 benches along the green trail.
    - See attachment Lake Creek Preserve Eagle Project List for full list of projects.
  - Link to Christine-Allen Park – Ted
    - Ted said Woodforest is under control of Johnson Development; the HOA has no control over any decision to link the Christine-Allen Park to the preserve.
- **Canoe Trail – Mike**
  - Pending
    - Major said he has maintenance guys who could help clear the canoe trail.
    - Insurance is stopping activities on the canoe trail.
- **Program**
  - Melissa suggested doing activities addressed to kids to get them out of the house.
  - Trail Tour Status – Glenn/Peter

- Melissa will let regular hiking ladies know about upcoming programs and plans. She will organize to be their guide and will start doing it twice a month.
    - Program for Fall
      - Woodforest has a lot of activities lined up for the holiday season. Cheryl suggested LCGP should have a booth at their event.
  - **County Regional Park**
    - Status of park planning – Glenn/Cheryl
      - WMPID got the support for the nature center.
      - The design of the park has started according to Tom Grayson and should be more than a sports center; it should include the nature center.
    - Nature Center Complex
      - Mueller Metal Bldg Application- Bob
        - Bob will review the letter and will submit it once LCGP has a clear plan.
  - **Coming Program Events**
    - Date for new trail development – All - Saturday, March 19th
    - Date for Next Preserve Workday – All - Probably Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>
    - Date for November program – All – on hold
  - **Next Meeting – Tuesday, May 17, 2022 at 7:00pm**
    - LCGP will decide on Zoom vs in person in May

Meeting adjourned – 8:13 pm

## LCGP FINANCIAL STATUS

March 9, 2022

**Total Checking: \$ 17798.49; Opex: \$ 7898.92; Capex/Program: \$9899.77**

**Liabilities: \$0**

**Remaining WMPID Grant available \$3522.27**

**Outstanding: 0**

**Desidated: 1320 Jackson Memorial; 750 scholarship**

2021 QUARTERLY INCOME/EXPENSE					
FIRST QTR		INCOME	0	EXPENSE	147.39
2ND QTR		INCOME	1467.76	EXPENSE	431.16
3RD QTR		INCOME		EXPENSE	
4TH QTR		INCOME		EXPENSE	

TOTAL



# BUDGET

PROJECT	ITEM	2022 PROPOSED	COMMENTS	1-1-2022 TO 3-8-2022	COMMENTS
<b>CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS</b>	Scout Projects	2000	5@400 each		
	Miscellaneous Materials	1000		90.92	Spare carburator; flower seed
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3000</b>			
<b>PROGRAM</b>	Project Wild Workshop	0			
	speakers	1000			
	refreshments	500	For staff/presenters		
	signs	1000	6 color signs	110.25	2 Trail signs
	portapotties	600	4 @ 150each		
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3100</b>			
	<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	game cameras/trail counter	0		229.99
-	Canoe Trail	0			
-	Miscellaneous	500			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>500</b>			
<b>OVERHEAD</b>	Web Site	600			
	Mail Box	300			
	Office Supplies	500			
	D&O/Liability Insurance*	2000			
	Security	0			
	Accountant	500			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3900</b>			
<b>SCHOLARSHIP</b>	with MGSWCD for \$1500	750			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>750</b>			
	<b>GRAND TOTAL 2022 PROPOSED &amp; ACTUAL</b>	<b>11,250</b>		431.16	

## Project Status 3-8-2022

### TAKEN - WORK PENDING

4. Clean and level selected (3-4) BW where needed, bleach then repaint with textured pant (Sherwin Williams Buckthorn with non slip additive. **TAKEN – Lucy Long**

5. Construct a bridge across the drainage ditch on the west side of the FCT Bridge to connect to entrance to beginning of trail in western preserve. PREPARING TO EXECUTE– **Harshil Dinesha**
6. Improve about 100' of the E-W blue trail starting at the end of the current graveled area to rise in the land. Project includes staking landscaping timbers along the sides and filloing with crushed granite. **PREPARING TO EXECUTE - Brody Bower.**
7. Add ATV barrier and fencing as appropriate at beginning of trail entering the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (Similar to current ATV Barrier on east side of FCT. **TAKEN- Auri Passmore**
8. Construct and install 10 benches along green trail. (Use our design). **PLANNING-Ainsely Frye**
9. Complete an existing geotextile path through the muddy area under the FCT bridges to connect east and west preserves and add steps on the west side. **TAKEN – Willem Sola**

## **AVAILABLE PROJECTS**

7. Tallowood/Chinese Privet Eradication: Eagle/DCSA (several spring/summer projects) – Involves researching approved methods for removal, identifying the best approach (give reasons), surveying and marking trees for removal, then recruiting an appropriate team (chemicals need special adults). Eagle would be complete after initial phase. DCSA would require following up the following spring.
8. Mark and develop a section of trail on the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (connects to trails on east side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare). Multiple projects
9. Widen. clear and remove stumps from a section of existing trail- multiple projects
10. Boardwalk and steps to cross ravines between entrance to the western preserve and 2<sup>nd</sup> point bar. (2+ projects).
  - a. 1 project involves constructing a 24' boardwalk and steps to cross a ravine
  - b. 1 project involves installing one or two 10x4' bridges across ravines.
11. Wildlife Survey – Involves using game cameras to determine the type and active periods of mammals within the preserve, recruiting birding and amphibian/reptile experts to help survey those groups then prepare a report summarizing the observed wildlife, and where and when they are active.

# LAKE CREEK GREENWAY PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES Tuesday, May 17, 2022

**7:03 PM – Call to order**

**Board present:** Glenn Buckley, Bob Wise, Melissa Hendricks, Ted Cummings, Cheryl Conley, Pilar Crespo, Dave Pierce

**Committee members present:** Peter Jensen

**Guests:** none

- **Introduction of Guest/s** -n/a
- **Acceptance of March Minutes**
  - Motion to accept March minutes accepted unanimously.
- **Financials – Glenn**
  - Acct Balance & outstanding obligations/assets
    - Account Balance is \$18,693.57 split into Opex \$5,190 and Capex/Program \$13,382.16
  - Budget Status 2022
    - Biggest expenses ~~was~~ were used to buy 54 diamond grid sections and pay insurance.
    - There ~~are~~ were \$3,067.61 ~~left~~ spent of the \$11,250 2022 Budget.
  - Sources of operating funds
    - There are \$ 893.82 left of the WMPID grant.
    - \$1500 of ExxonMobil VIP grant has been approved and should be coming in soon.
  - Special funds
    - In memory of Jackson, \$3,899.09 ~~of scholarship funds will be used for his memorial to a project in his memory.~~ \$750 are in a dedicated scholarship fund.
    - Scholarship should be granted to a high school senior going into the field of agriculture (e.g. welder, forestry, plant biologist).
  - See attachment for details: LCGP Financial Status
- **Committee Positions- All**
  - Grants Committee Chair
    - We need people to act as checkers and organize programs.

- Glenn is trying to find someone in college to sit on the board or who might be interested in working in or with the nature center.
    - Program Committee Chair
  - **Communication/Publicity – Cheryl /All**
    - Newsletter
      - Action plan is to put together a quarterly summary and update promotional brochures.
      - Glenn sent an article to the Master Naturalists - Heartwood Chapter. They also make a note of all LCGP tours.
    - Community Presentations – not discussed
      - Setting up a booth in community events can cost up to \$500 so need to look for low or no cost opportunities to participate in events..
  - **Maintenance/Equipment/Storage – Bob/Melissa/Glenn**
    - Sale/Disposition of trailer \_ Bob
      - Trailer has not been sold or donated yet. Glenn agreed to present to Scout Troops as a donation
    - Organization of Storage Module Status – Bob
    - Mower Maintenance
      - Mowers are in good shape.
  - **Preserve/Trails Committee – Bob/Glenn**
    - New trail development status – Bob/Glenn
      - Boardwalk that crosses the ditch on the west side of the FCT bridge is complete.
      - Covia Corporation work on Green trail was postponed due to rain.
      - Green trail cleaning is coming soon.
    - Existing Trail Status/Maintenance– All
      - Orange loop needs some work.
    - Pollinator Bed Maintenance Plan – All
      - Pollinator bed is in good shape. Susan Buckley weeded and Glenn planted additional Prairie Asters and Skullcaps. ~~put in new plant species on the ground.~~
    - Scout Project Status – Glenn
      - Of the 300 milkweed plants that were put in, less than 10% are left on the preserve because most of them got flooded out.
      - Walkway and steps under the bridge have been completed
      - Walkway crossing drainage to west preserve is complete
      - A young man will put steps and geotextiles to cross ravine on green trail.
      - See attachment Lake Creek Preserve Eagle Project List for full list of projects.
    - Link to Christine-Allen Park
      - Glenn will follow-up with Virgil regarding contact to discuss linking park to preserve.
  - **Canoe Trail – Mike**
    - Canoe trail is on hold.
  - **Program**
    - Trail Tour Status – Glenn/Peter
      - Melissa announced the trail tours in the Women Who Hike website.
      - A trail tour is scheduled for May 28<sup>th</sup>. Bob suggested having one of us walk with the tours to help until they are familiar with the features. Bob also suggest ed giving the guide a list with key points along the trail. Bob will mprepare a draft.

- Program for Fall – Pending Woodforest dates
  - LCGP is working on the Fall activities.
- **County Regional Park**
  - Status of park planning – Glenn/Cheryl
    - Initial phase of pPark proposal should be finished by end of June.
  - Nature Center Complex
    - LCGP needs to revisit our strategic plan and short term objectives figure out what the focus of the nature center should be-(i.e. trails, wildlife).
    - Charlies’ focus for the park is sports.
    - Mueller Metal Bldg Application Status – Bob/Glenn - On hold due to application requirements (need to be ready to pour slab and have resolved land ownership issue).
- **Coming Program Events**
  - Date for new trail development – pending June meeting~~At~~
  - Date for Next Preserve Workday – Saturday May 21~~At~~
  - Date for November program – Pending
- **Next Meeting – Tuesday, June 21, 2022 at 7:00pm – tentative Focus will be on strategic plan and objectives for the next two years.**
  - Will decide on Zoom vs in person in July

8:35 PM – Meeting adjourned

## LCGP FINANCIAL STATUS

### May 13, 2022

**Total Checking: \$ 18693.57; Opex: \$ 5190.69; Capex/Program: \$13382.16**

**Liabilities: \$0**

**Remaining WMPID Grant available \$893.82**

**Outstanding: 0**

**Restricted: 3899.09 Jackson Memorial; 750 scholarship**

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FIRST QTR		INCOME	0	EXPENSE	147.39
2ND QTR		INCOME	2873.66	EXPENSE	578.55
3RD QTR		INCOME	2131.33	EXPENSE	2636.45
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	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3900</b>			
SCHOLARSHIP	with MGSWCD for \$1500	750			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>750</b>			
	<b>GRAND TOTAL 2022 PROPOSED &amp; ACTUAL</b>	<b>11,250</b>		3067.61	

## Project Status 5-14-2022

### TAKEN - WORK PENDING

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15. Complete an existing geotextile path through the muddy area under the FCT bridges to connect east and west preserves and add steps on the west side. **COMPLETE – Willem Sola**
16. Steps and geotextiles to cross major ravine on green trail. **TAKEN-Marco Buonincontri**

## **AVAILABLE PROJECTS**

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**LAKE CREEK GREENWAY PARTNERSHIP**  
**BOARD MEETING MINUTES**  
**Tuesday, June 21, 2022**

**7:01 Call to Order**

**Board Present** – Glenn Buckley, Bob Wise, Cheryl Conley, Melissa Hendricks

**Committee Members Present** – Peter Jensen

**Guest** – Professor Alytha Iyer from Lone Star College

- **Acceptance of May Minutes**

Motion to accept May minutes accepted unanimously

- **Financials – Glenn**

- Acct Balance & outstanding obligations/assets

- ◆ Total checking is at \$17,758.46, which is split into operating expenses (\$5,862.11) and Capex/Programs (\$11896.35).

- ◆ There is no money left WMPID grant.

- ◆ As of the date of this meeting, LCGP has spent \$5403.68 this year.



- ◆ Bank account currently has approximately \$5,000 dedicated money pending a decision on a major project. Glenn checked on investing the amount into a CD, but decided against that due to the low interest rates for CD's

- Special Funds

- ◆ In memory of Jackson, \$3899.09 fund dedicated to a project to be decided by relatives and \$750 in a dedicated scholarship fund

- **Committee Positions - All**

- Cheryl has agreed to lead the Grants Committee

- Trails Committee needs a committee member to lead

- The Partnership is very close to needing a Building Committee to help with the planning and construction of the Nature Center

- Glenn, Cheryl and Melissa will meet again to fine-tune the Mission Statement and objectives.

- **Communication/Publicity**

- Cheryl has worked with The Conroe Courier, the Impact newspaper, and Nextdoor to help spread news about The Lake Creek organization and trail system.

- **Maintenance/Equipment/Storage – Bob, Melissa, Glenn**

- Bob says we need to figure out some way to entice more individual volunteers and volunteer organizations to help us with our maintenance program

- The suggestion was presented that we may need to hire a maintenance crew occasionally (especially during the hot summer months) to help us with keeping the trails trimmed and cleared.

- **Preserve/Trails Committee – Bob/Glenn**

- Along the NE entrance to from Christine Allen Park will be improved by a Scout this summer.
  - Seven benches have been installed on the Green Trail by a Scout; two need to be reset due to
- Glenn met with the Order of the Arrow and they plan to hold their fall Ordeal at the preserve at the end of October and will focus on trail maintenance.
- There will be a trail maintenance this weekend focused on the Green Trail loop. 3 new volunteers have signed up so far.

- **Education**

- Glenn and Alytha will meet to discuss how we can work with Lone Star College to implement educational programs for their students. She has suggested meeting this coming fall.
- Glenn is working with the Magnolia School District to develop the possibility of them utilizing the preserve in their educational programs.

- **Meuller Building Grant**

- Bob had made contact with Meuller representations and clarified several aspects of the grant application including that they do all of the building design work, but we are responsible for the foundation, insulations, air conditioning, electrical etc. and need to have funding ready to construct the foundation etc by fall of the grant year should we obtain the grant.
- Glenn has tested the idea of a grant from the improvement district should we obtain the donation from Mueller. Glenn and Melissa will get together with her brother later this summer to flesh out an estimate for the cost of the foundation etc.

●**Next Meeting – Tuesday, August 16<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.**

**8:30 – Meeting Adjourned**

**LCGP FINANCIAL STATUS**

# June 8, 2022

Total Checking: \$ 16363.46; Opex: \$ 4724.69; Capex/Program: \$11638.77

Liabilities: \$0

Remaining WMPID Grant available \$0

Outstanding: 1500 ExxonMobil Grant

Restricted: 3899.09 Jackson Memorial; 750 scholarship

2022 QUARTERLY INCOME/EXPENSE					
FIRST QTR		INCOME	2873.66	EXPENSE	578.55
2ND QTR		INCOME	2162.33	EXPENSE	5003.46
3RD QTR		INCOME		EXPENSE	
4TH QTR		INCOME		EXPENSE	

TOTAL

## BUDGET

PROJECT	ITEM	2022 PROPOSED	COMMENTS	1-1-2022 TO 6-8-2022	COMMENTS
CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS	Scout Projects	2000	5@400 each	2750.01	54 diamonf grid sections; Marco B; Harshil D projects
	Miscellaneous Materials	1000		115.37	Spare carburator; flower seed; Plants for pollinator area
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3000</b>			
PROGRAM	Project Wild Workshop	0			
	speakers	1000			

	refreshments	500	For staff/presenters		
	signs	1000	6 color signs	110.25	2 Trail signs
	portapotties	600	4 @ 150each		
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<b>EQUIPMENT</b>	game cameras/trail counter	0		229.99	4G Game Camera
-	Canoe Trail	0			
-	Miscellaneous	500			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>500</b>			
<b>OVERHEAD</b>	Web Site	600			
	Mail Box	300			
	Office Supplies	500			
	D&O/Liability Insurance*	2000		1748	Annual D&O and liability ins.
	Security	0			
	Accountant	500		450	
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>3900</b>			
<b>SCHOLARSHIP</b>	with MGSWCD for \$1500	750			
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>750</b>			
	<b>GRAND TOTAL 2022 PROPOSED &amp; ACTUAL</b>	<b>11,250</b>		5403.68	

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## PLANNING COMMITTEE REPORT

**OUR MISSION:** To improve recreational and educational opportunities and preserve green space and water quality within the Lake Creek Watershed.

## **OUR OBJECTIVES:**

1. Develop hiking, nature viewing and educational experiences within Lake Creek Watershed.
2. Improve resident and community knowledge of the ecological, water quality, flood control and recreational benefits of preserving bottomlands within the Lake Creek Watershed.
3. Assist in acquiring permanently protected land of ecological and or recreational value within the Lake Creek Floodplain.

## **PROPOSED 2 YEAR PLAN OBJECTIVES**

### **BOARD/COMMITTEES**

#### **2022**

- Recruit a new board member (skills: trails, tie to local education, business),
- Establish Board grants lead and follow up with Joanne Ducharme, county grant writer, to coordinate activities.

#### **2023**

- Recruit additional Board member
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### **TRAILS**

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2023

- Capital Campaign with Commissioner
- Apply for Mueller Building donation.

## Project Status 6-8-2022

### TAKEN - WORK PENDING

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18. Construct a bridge across the drainage ditch on the west side of the FCT Bridge to connect to entrance to beginning of trail in western preserve. **COMPLETE– Harshil Dinesha**
19. Improve about 100' of the E-W blue trail starting at the end of the end of the current graveled area to rise in the land. Project includes staking landscaping timbers along the sides and filling with crushed granite. **PREPARING TO EXECUTE - Brody Bower.**
20. Add ATV barrier and fencing as appropriate at beginning of trail entering the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (Similar to current ATV Barrier on east side of FCT. **COMPLETE- Auri Passmore**
21. Construct and install 7 benches along green trail. (Use our design). **COMPLETE-Ainsely Frye**
22. Complete an existing geotextile path through the muddy area under the FCT bridges to connect east and west preserves and add steps on the west side. **COMPLETE – Willem Sola**
23. Steps and geotextiles to cross major ravine on green trail. **WORKING - Marco Buonincontri**

### AVAILABLE PROJECTS

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2. Mark and develop a section of trail on the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (connects to trails on east side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare). Multiple projects
3. Widen, clear and remove stumps from a section of existing trail- multiple projects
4. Boardwalk and/or steps to cross ravines between entrance to the western preserve and 2<sup>nd</sup> point bar. (2+ projects).
  - a. 1 project involves installing one or two 10x4' bridges across ravines.
5. Steps to access two point bars along green trail.
6. Scrape, bleach and repaint 2-3 boardwalks in eastern preserve
7. Construct and install benches along trail (6-7 benches)

# LAKE CREEK GREENWAY PARTNERSHIP

## BOARD MEETING MEETING

### Tuesday August 16, 2022

### DRAFT

**Board Present:** Cheryl Conley, Melissa Hendricks , Dave Pierce , Bob Wise, Pilar Crespo (by zoom), Glenn Buckley

**Committee Members Attending:** Peter Jensen, Wes Reeves

**Acceptance of May Minutes:** Approved as written

**Financial Report:** Total Checking \$16,712; \$5840.94 in Opex and \$10871.26 in capex/program  
Of the capex/program \$4170.11 is dedicated to the Jackson fund and \$750 is dedicated to a scholarship matched by the MCSWCD. Details are attached.

Glenn also reported that we received an unsolicited \$100 check from the Benevity organization. As there was considerable discussion regarding the legitimacy/purpose of the organization Cheryl will follow up to check their legitimacy and report back to the board.

**Report of Committee on Mission and Objectives:** Committee submitted a recommendation that reduced the size of the mission statement, added a vision statement and reduced the areas of focus to three. Bob was concerned that there wasn't enough emphasis on utilizing the trails/preserve to develop an appreciation for preserving the natural environment and will try to come up with more specific wording.

**Committee Positions:** Wes has agreed to chair the trails committee. Glenn will give Wes the contact information on potential committee members which would include Peter. Glenn will also supply Wes with the full list of potential volunteers for future trail days.

**Communication/Publicity:** Bob suggested that we needed a list of all of the avenues/media we use to promote the preserve and activities. Cheryl will prepare a list.

**Maintenance/Disposition of Equipment:** Glenn reported that his son in law donated a Rigid battery powered drill and that we purchased a battery and charger set for it. It is stored in the shed. Melissa requested information on the mower that Peter purchased for us. Glenn will supply. Glenn noted that there was one Scout unit interested in the trailer and he will follow up this week now that summer camps are over.

**Preserve/Trails:** Trails are in good shape for now after the last work day, work by Randy Wean clearing deadfall and removal of a downed tree by Bob and Glenn. There was some concern about liability of work crews. Peter will supply the hold harmless form that Bayou Land Conservancy Uses as a go by. The main remaining issue now is the pollinator area. Glenn will work with Wes in setting up a short work day when the weather cools. Glenn reported that there are two Scout projects pending: adding hand rails along the ravine steps and bridges across the drainage areas along the Green trail.

Glenn will contact the new vice-president for Woodforest regarding signage and access between Christine-Allen Park and Lake Creek Preserve.

**Program:** Agreed that the small anticipated numbers at the Woodforest Event didn't warrant a booth, but decided to plan for an event for the spring at the preserve with a presentation on reptiles and area wildlife as the main event.

**County Regional Park and Nature Complex:** Glenn reported that work on the park layout is pending approval of a related bond by the improvement district. Bob is working on an application for a possible donation of a building for an outdoor learning center by Mueller Metal Bldgs. The main issues are the land ownership



requirement and having funds for the foundation and associated electrical, plumbing and air conditioning costs. Glenn will pursue a long term lease with the commissioner's office and Bob is working on cost estimates for the foundation and utilities. The application will be due next spring. Bill Elwell in helping with the cost estimates.

**Coming Events:**

September 6 - Melissa, Ted and Glenn will meet with the Lone Star College to discuss potential areas of mutual interest regarding the nature center and preserve.

October 28-30 – OA Ordeal will focus on removing stumps and widening the Green trail.

**Next Meeting:** Tuesday October 18 at 7:00pm.

## LCGP FINANCIAL STATUS

### August 8, 2022

**Total Checking: \$ 16,712.2; Opex: \$ 5840.94; Capex/Program: \$10871.26**

**Liabilities: \$0**

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**Outstanding: 0**

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TOTAL

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## Scout Project Status 8-7-2022

### TAKEN - WORK PENDING

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30. Steps and geotextiles to cross major ravine on green trail. **COMPLETE - Marco Buonincontri**
31. Add short (10-12') bridges across two ravines along southern portion of Green Trail Loop. **PLANNING- Evan Miller.**
32. Clean and repaint several boardwalks. **TAKEN – Ann-Elise Merritt**

**33.** Install safety hand rails and erosion control rock steps across green trail ravine. **PLANNING-Jerry Gu**

## **AVAILABLE PROJECTS**

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  - 9.** Add steps to cross ravine between green trail loop and new trail following Mound Creek north
  - 10.** Mark and develop a section of trail on the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (connects to trails on east side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare). Multiple projects
  - 11.** Add benches along green trail loop.
  - 12.** Widen, clear and remove stumps from a section of existing trail- multiple projects
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# LAKE CREEK GREENWAY PARTNERSHIP BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, October 18 at 7:00

2427 Blue Lake Drive, Magnolia and By ZOOM

**Board Present** – Glenn Buckley, Bob Wise, Cheryl Conley, Melissa Hendricks, Pilar Crespo, Dave Pierce

**Committee Members Present** – Peter Jensen, Wes Reeves

**Guests:** Patrick Reardon

## 7:00 – LCGP Board Meeting

- **Roll Call**
- **Introduction of Guest/s**
  - Retired Business Lawyer and moved from Forth Worth 4 years ago. Patrick is involved in the Houston Audobon Club and is interested in wild birds.
- **Acceptance of August Minutes**
  - Motion to accept August Minutes as written accepted unanimously.
- **Financials – Glenn**
  - Acct Balance & outstanding obligations/assets
    - LCGP is in good shape financially. Total Checking is \$22,386.38, Opex \$5871.94, Capex/Program \$16514.44
    - Bill coming up for the mail box for \$300.
  - Budget Status 2022
    - Total income to date \$12,546.33 and total expense to date \$7,059.43
    - Money went to where LCGP said it would be spent.
    - LCGP has had big projects like the ravine and has still kept total income greater than total expenses.
  - Special funds
    - Outstanding ExxonMobil Grant of \$500 from Peter Jensen volunteer hours ~~\$5000 donation dedicated to enhanced reality sandbox~~ ~~cinema could be built from donation~~
  - Change Bank Signing Authority
    - Motion to accept Ted Cummings as LCGP Treasurer and to have signing authority as our accountant accepted unanimously by board members.
  - See attachment for details: LCGP Financial Status
- **Mission, Objectives, Near Term Plan**
  - Approve Final Proposal
    - Mission, objectives and near term plan to accept them as written accepted unanimously.
  - See attachment Mission/Planning Committee Report
- **Committee //Board Positions- All**
  - Defer to Executive Session
- **Communication/Publicity – Cheryl /All**
  - Newsletter - no updates
  - Interviews with Newspapers – not discussed
  - Glenn will provide Cheryl information to put out about the scholarship.
- **Maintenance/Equipment/Storage – Bob/Melissa/Glenn**
  - Sale/Disposition of trailer \_ Glenn
    - Trailer will be donated to a non-profit to free storage.

- Glenn would like someone to help with be in charge of changing the batteries on the security cameras regularly. Solar panels have not worked so well before due to all the shade from the trees.- Batteries currently are lasting two weeks since added short video to each event. Need to evaluate whether solar panel is functioning properly.
- **Preserve/Trails Committee – Bob/Glenn**
  - New trail development status – Bob/Glenn
    - Widening Adding landscaping timbers and crushed granite to the E-W blue trail was completed along the remaining low portions of that trail.
    - Covia will have a volunteer day and help with kiosk and benches on the west trails.
  - Existing Trail Status/Maintenance– Bob/Wes
    - Wes and Melissa walked the trails recently and found them in good shape except for a problem with Orange BW3..
  - Pollinator Bed Maintenance Plan – All
    - Grasses and sedges need to be pulled out to get the pollinator beds ready to replant/reseed. This would need to be an adult project to prevent kids pulling out the good plants.
  - Scout Project Status – Glenn
    - On green trail there are 2 smaller ravines that need bridges and are a scheduled might be handed to a Scout project.
    - A new trail (red) is planned to leave from the NW corner of the green Construction will involve several Scout projects loop might be developed by a scout.

See attachment Lake Creek Preserve Eagle Project List for full list of projects.
  - Link to Christine-Allen Park – Glenn
    - Signage is needed to communicate to people at Christine-Allen Park that they have access to the preserve. Glenn met with Virgil Yoakum, Woodforest VP and received interest in signage. Glenn is preparing some drafts.
- **Canoe Trail – Mike**
  - On hold
- **Program**
  - Trail Tour Status – Glenn/Peter
    - Land Conservancy will run a tour on December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 10am to noon.
  - Program for Spring – All
    - LCGP has enough money to use towards programs. Glenn talked to Virgil about a program in Christine-Allen Park and liability issues if tied to Woodforest.- Reptiles, fishing, and general wildlife could be some of the exhibitions. Melissa suggested early May 2023 as a possible date.
- **County Regional Park**
  - Results of visits to La. and Mich. Nature Cntrs. – not discussed Discussions with park managers suggested nature center would require \$300K+/annual operating expenses which includes two staff. Additional suggestions from staff have been passed along to Burditt Consulting.
  - Status of park planning – Glenn/Cheryl
    - Nature Center Complex
      - Glenn talked to Tom Grayson, LCGP advisor, about building costs of the nature center.
      - Glenn is expecting the initial nature center design layout to be available before Christmas.

~~• Glenn also inquired about yearly operation costs of the nature center.~~

- Meuller Metal Bldg Application Status – Bob
  - Rather than having 2 separate buildings it might be more cost effective to have just one.
- **Coming Program Events**
  - OA Ordeal/service weekend – 28-30 October
  - Covia Corporation Work Day - Pending
- **Executive Session**
  - Discussed among board members.
- **Next Meeting – ~~To be decided~~ December Christmas gathering. Glenn to propose a date.**

Meeting adjourned – 8:08 pm

## LCGP FINANCIAL STATUS

**October 10, 2022**

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**Liabilities: \$0**

**Remaining WMPID Grant available \$0**

**Outstanding: \$500 ExxonMobil Grant; Rotary Donation \$TBD**

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TOTALS			12546.33		7059.43

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## Scout Project Status 10-10-2022

### TAKEN - WORK PENDING

34. Clean and level selected (3-4) BW where needed, bleach then repaint with textured paint (Sherwin Williams Buckthorn with non slip additive). **COMPLETE – Lucy Long**
35. Construct a bridge across the drainage ditch on the west side of the FCT Bridge to connect to entrance to beginning of trail in western preserve. **COMPLETE– Harshil Dinesha**
36. Improve about 100' of the E-W blue trail starting at the end of the end of the current graveled area to rise in the land. Project includes staking landscaping timbers along the sides and filling with crushed granite. **COMPLETE - Brody Bower.**
37. Add ATV barrier and fencing as appropriate at beginning of trail entering the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (Similar to current ATV Barrier on east side of FCT. **COMPLETE- Auri Passmore**
38. Construct and install 7 benches along green trail. (Use our design). **COMPLETE-Ainsely Frye**
39. Complete an existing geotextile path through the muddy area under the FCT bridges to connect east and west preserves and add steps on the west side. **COMPLETE – Willem Sola**
40. Steps and geotextiles to cross major ravine on green trail. **COMPLETE - Marco Buonincontri**
41. Add short (10-12') bridges across two ravines along southern portion of Green Trail Loop. **PLANNING- Evan Miller T889.**
42. Install safety hand rails and erosion control rock steps across green trail ravine. **COMPLETE-Jerry Gu**
43. Develop new trail from NW corner Green loop. **PLANNING- David Nelli T1180**

### AVAILABLE PROJECTS

13. Tallowood/Chinese Privet Eradication: Eagle/DCSA (several spring/summer projects) – Involves researching approved methods for removal, identifying the best approach (give reasons), surveying and marking trees for removal, then recruiting an appropriate team (chemicals need special adults). Eagle would be complete after initial phase. DCSA would require following up the following spring.
14. Add steps to cross ravine between green trail loop and new trail following Mound Creek north
15. Mark and develop a section of trail on the preserve on the west side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare (connects to trails on east side of Fish Creek Thoroughfare). Multiple projects

- 16.** Add benches along green trail loop.
  - 17.** Widen, clear and remove stumps from a section of existing trail- multiple projects
  - 18.** Clean, level and repaint two boardwalks on orange trail.
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