



Meeting Minutes

Sunday, April 27, 2025

Location: Dunn Brothers, The Chapel (second floor meeting room)

Attendance: Jim Marrs, Amanda Muenzner, Kerri Seemann, Bob Tacke, Kurt Weber

1. Update on Buckthorn Workshop

No one has signed up for the May buckthorn event. Kurt will mention at the commissioner's meeting tomorrow.

Action Item (AI): Bob will give comments on herbicide application timing/conflicting information to Steve.

2. Update on Lindsey's Roundabout Weeding

AHG hoping to coordinate a volunteer weeding event (late June) with the county to manage weeds in Lindsey's roundabout. Coordinating with County is proving tricky.

AI: Kerri will continue to try and determine event date/coordinate with County.

3. Potential Cummings Park Project

Kerri has been trying to develop a planting plan for Cummings Park in response to concerns from a resident after the ash/buckthorn removal in early 2024. Kerri met with neighboring residents to get their input (mostly a desire for privacy/screening). Boston Scientific is currently interested in having an employee volunteer day to cut buckthorn, plant, etc. Jim suggested ABENZA GIS as a mapping tool.

During this process, the possibility of a community partnership with MNL—raising funds for AHG through a plant sale—was brought to our attention. Perhaps we could coordinate a native plant sale in conjunction with the tree sale (if it happens again in 2026)?

AI: Kerri to pull permit/set date to do seed planting on edge of Cummings Park

4. Update on Chatham Trails

Bob has more work with buckthorn and will send Kerri hours.

AI: Bob will let Kerri know when they will be ready for seed plantings. Kerri has another volunteer who may be able to help.

5. Miscellaneous

Kerri spent time pulling burdock in Hazelnut yesterday. Hannah is interested in cutting buckthorn at Crepeau if anyone is interested in helping. Kids in Chatham dug up some plants to make dirtbike trails. One PTRC member suggested putting signs out encouraging people to stay on the existing trails.

Kurt mentioned that the new Parks Manager will oversee the development of the parks master plan, but Public Works will still be the ones doing buckthorn mitigation/maintenance.

NEXT MEETINGS:

Wednesday, May 28th 1:30pm-3:30pm: Dunn Brothers (first floor)

Sunday, June 29th TBD