

## OUTCOMES DOCUMENT

### Lower Chippewa Invasives Partnership Monthly Meeting

Community Services Building, Room 55, 3001 US HWY 12 East, Menomonie, WI 54751

Thursday, May 25th, 2017, 2 - 4:30 PM

**Present:** Chris Gaetzke, Chase Cummings, Ted Ludwig, Lisa Ludwig, Richard Damro, Jim Anderson, Keith Gilland, Mame Gale, Martin Van.

**LCIP Identity Statement:** LCIP is an organization that reaches goals toward invasive species awareness and control by using Civic Governance as a new approach to educate and organize the civic infrastructure needed to produce a basis to govern for the common good and sustain democracy as a just system.

**Meeting Purpose:** To give individual updates on the 2017 work plan for operations that will allow the organization to expand and improve outreach, education and control of invasive species within the five-county jurisdiction.

- 1. Approval of Outcomes Documents – April 27, 2017.** Motion by Lisa, second by Chase to approve Outcomes Document. Passed.
- 2. Negotiate agenda and individual check-in (5 mins each)**– identify progress in organizing key stakeholders in your jurisdictions and agreed individual action items.

**Chase** reported that Pepin County highway department will be doing roadside spraying for wild parsnip and other invasives. Lee is assisting in getting setup. Kathy and Chase has been in contact regarding the ISM tracking. It is recommended to use one account and one password for our group and use LCIP as group name for all sites. Reports and queries would be easier. Fees would be \$200 per year annual license for more than 5 sites. **Suggested LCIP think about what to do and decide at the June meeting.**

**Dick D.** was contacted by one of his neighbors about a wild chervil and will assist her in controlling it and will get chemical from Lee. She is probably eligible for the landowner's program. **He will contact Lee.**

**Keith** is looking for student projects for continuing work on Invasive plants. **When students are back in fall will continue to work in the Wolske Bay area/Lakeside Park.**

**Mame** said she could use some assistance in flagging Japanese Barberry for control in the fall. She has sprayed a lot of garlic mustard near her property. **Nancy Schofield did a PowerPoint presentation on Amur Cork for the Master Gardeners and will send it to us and will ask her to present her PowerPoint to LCIP at the June meeting.**

**Ted** has noticed garlic mustard and Dame's Rocket is heavy along the roadway near Elk Point. This follows the road work that was done last year. He should resign as secretary for several reasons. Melanie has displayed an interest and some discussion was held. Ted said he would assist anyone taking the position. **Melanie said she would try the position for six months if needed.**

**Lisa** presented with Ted at the Boyceville/Colfax Environmental Field Day and Elk Mound EFD. Students were eager to learn and loved discovering insects that live in streams.

**Martin** has noticed a resurgence of a native shrub, elderberry in the areas he has been working. Working with his neighbor on the first LCIP Landowner Chemical Program participant. **Working on his case study of invasive management of his property over the past twenty years.**

**Chris** reported that Jeff Hessburg has been hired at the natural resource intern for this summer. He is a student at UWEC and will be starting on May 30<sup>th</sup>. He will be available for all projects in the area. Chris and Dale Dahlke worked with middle school students April 20<sup>th</sup> behind the school and found oriental bittersweet, honeysuckle and buckthorn. They pulled whatever was found. At the Birch Creek event about **1,520 pounds** of garlic mustard was pulled. The DNR wants to use pictures of this event for one of their projects. **Preparing Chase, Mame and Kathy for the Civic Policy Workshop on June 21<sup>st</sup> in Baldwin.**
- 3. Address Governing Issues.**

**LCIP Invasive Tour and commitments.** Posters have been posted about the invasives tour throughout the area. Jim A. will be driving the bus. Chris will present at Chippewa Valley Nature Fest on June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 1pm. Stockholm Art Fair is

coming up in July and Kathy and Martin will be there.

**2017 LCIP Goal Check in**

Chris reminded everyone to review the 2017 LCIP Goal sheet to see where they are at and what to focus on. LCIP will do a midpoint review of the goals at the July LCIP meeting.

**Civic Governance update, Fiscal Agent for ICGOA & Civic Policy Workshop 6/21/17 (Chris)**

Chris reviewed what is going on with this. Kathy, Mame and Chase will be attending the workshop to learn more about the approach and be able to use it more with LCIP. LCIP will act as the fiscal agent for the Interstate Civic Governance Organizing Agency for the next year.

**Report financials (Kathy)**

Kathy was unable to attend, but sent the financial statement via Email. See Attachment 1.

**NR Intern discussion**

Chris made a request for all attendees to get ahold of Jess Hessburg if they want his help or there is something he could learn this summer.

**Amur Cork tree action plan, WDNR grant update (Kathy and Mame)**

Chris reported the plan is on hold for a few weeks and efforts are being made to get new properties into the program and to make sure the chemical treatments will work. Discussing with WDNR on additional funding for project since LCIP is down to under \$3,000 of the WDNR Grant.

**Wild Chervil update (Lee, Kathy and Chris)**

Chris received communication from Kelly Kearns (DNR) stating that additional funds will be available when current funding is used. Work with Lee from 4-Control to coordinate chemical treatments for townships and counties involved.

**4. Identify Next Steps.**

**Next meeting is on Thursday, June 22nd from 2 - 4:30 PM, Community Services Building Room 55, 3001 US HWY 12 East, Menomonie, WI 54751 (Featuring Nancy Schofield)**

Holding one on one conversations within your jurisdictions about the group with the use of the LCIP governing document to increase the civic capacity of LCIP.

**5. Evaluate the Meeting**

May 25<sup>th</sup> meeting score average was 4.74. Meeting was relaxed but dragged out at times. Check-in is still lengthy.

It was decided to have the July meeting at Menomin Park and have a cook out followed by a walk through the park.

**Attachment 1**

**LCIP Treasurer's Report  
May 20, 2017**

**5-20-2017 RCU Checking account: \$ 2,368.71**

**Checking account balance once outstanding checks clear: \$104.72**

Expenses and outstanding checks as of 5-20-2017 and expenses since last LCIP meeting:

Outstanding Expense: Katherine Stahl reimbursement for boot brush/pick promos  
outstanding \$113.99

Outstanding Expense: Jeffrey Sarnstrom (Parejko ACT removal)  
outstanding \$2,250

Expense: Mary Dominic 70% ACT share \$1,610

Sharon Wallen 70% ACT share \$553.88

Income yet to be deposited: Chippewa County Land Conservancy: \$100

**5-20-2017 RCU Savings account: \$244.65**

Income: RCU Interest = \$2.44

**Stifel Account: \$12,000.13**

Income: Interest=\$.13

**Save The Hills Grant: \$1,500**

\$148 Health Newsletter & Chervil Handout

\$689.60 Amur Cork Tree letter expenses

\$837.60 used of grant, leaving **\$662.40 of STHA grant funds**

**DNR Rapid Response Award 2017-2018 (\$11,140.00) Remaining funds: \$2,702.80**

Thomas, Christoffersen, Mondlock 70% share \$2,329.49

Eide 70% share \$332.33

Jan Harvey 70% share \$875

Jim Selz 70% share \$486.50

Parejko 70% share \$2250

Mary Dominic 70% share \$1610

Sharon Wallen 70% share \$553.88

**ACT Herbicide 2016 grant: 12 gallons**

**Remaining: 2 ½ gallons**

**Landowner Chemical Program (\$2,000): Remaining funds: \$1,886**

3 Sprayers @ \$38=\$114

{Brian Klink Vanquish bill from 4 Control not yet received, amount unknown}