

Meeting Minutes

City of Bainbridge Island Environmental Technical Advisory Committee

October 28, 2021

Location: Zoom

Members Present:

Charlie Kratzer, Ben Harrison, Melanie Keenan, Malcolm Gander, Brian Harmon, and Dylan Frazer (joined at 3:45 pm)

Members Absent:

Juan Rovalo and Jane Hannuksela

Meeting began at 3:11 pm

Minutes from September 16, 2021 meeting approved by 5-0 vote.

Council Liaison Report (Christy Carr)

- Shoreline Master Program (SMP) has been under periodic review since 2020. However, despite this review being one of ETAC's defined tasks (Ordinance 2014-25), for some reason ETAC has not yet been invited to review.
- Main areas of concern relative to ETAC are critical areas, aquaculture, and non-conforming lots.
- Christy reached out to the City Manager to see why ETAC has not been invited, and it appears that the review process has been disjointed. The City Manager is working on a restart plan for the review process.

Chair Report (Charlie Kratzer)

- Charlie reported on his ETAC activities since the last meeting on September 16th. These activities included the following items.
- September 21st Council meeting regarding GWMP in which the Council requested that COBI staff revise the goals and objectives slightly to specify the importance of surface water protection.
- October 26th emails from Blair King regarding ETAC input on the SMP periodic review process.
- Charlie reviewed and revised ETAC sub-committee assignments. The revised assignments are: (1) notetaking – Brian; (2) HMP sub-committee – Ben, Juan, and Brian; (3) GWMP sub-committee – Charlie, Melanie, and Juan/Malcolm; and (4) SMP sub-committee – Charlie, Melanie, and Ben.

Update on GWMP process (Maureen Whalen)

- Maureen is thinking of using Story Map to consolidate inputs from the public and stakeholders.
- Maureen is setting up a zoom meeting with representatives from UAC (Andy Maron and Ted Jones), CCAC (Mike Cox and Deb Rudnick), and ETAC (Charlie, Melanie, Juan/Malcolm) for early November to discuss the GWMP process further.
- How about developing a reporting platform for private well owners to report water levels?
- Dylan suggests that the UW Geosciences program might have students who could use this project as a thesis topic.
- COBI is thinking about providing \$250K for overarching stormwater work including the NPDES work and more. Charlie asked how this would fit with the previously approved \$100K for contracting a study of stormwater alternatives for improving water quality and expanding infiltration ability.

Meeting adjourned at 4:51 p.m.



Charlie Kratzer, Chair 11/18/21