

**Hamilton County CISMA Meeting Agenda/Notes October 2021**  
**10/6/2021 at 6 pm on Zoom**

**1) Welcome**

- a) Welcome new attendees
  - i) Debra Grace-Johnson, Susan Steele, Christy Oakes, Nan Molitor

**2) HIP HIP HOORAY – personal achievements (any good life or invasives news)**

- a) Congratulations Kim! Teter Retreat and Organic Farm 2021 Silent Hero Award
- b) Mary has accepted a new position with Sycamore Land Trust. We will miss her but are so happy for her and thankful for everything she has helped us create.
- c) Taylor is taking some days off and is going to work on invasive species at her property in southern Indiana.
- d) Dorrie planted 80+ plants where invasives had been removed.

**3) Upcoming events, event summaries, important dates ([/www.hcinvasives.org/education](http://www.hcinvasives.org/education))**

- a) HIP Strike Team @ MacGregor Park at HY31 and HY38
  - i) Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 9AM to noon
  - ii) Relatively clean space so we want to keep it that way.
- b) Cool Creek Weed Wrangle— HIP volunteers needed - October 9 from 9:00am – 12:00pm at Cool Creek Park. Contact Steve Sneath (HCPR) at [steve.sneath@hamiltoncounty.in.gov](mailto:steve.sneath@hamiltoncounty.in.gov).
- c) Hendricks County Master Gardeners Adventures in Gardening Seminar – Native alts for invasives in landscaping – Lisa
  - i) <https://www.hendricksgardeners.com/>
- d) Amos Butler Audubon Society (ABAS) and HIP Strike Team workday with CCPR
  - i) Wednesday 10/13 from 4:30-6:00, Invasives and trash pick up options. Good opportunity to bring the two groups together.
  - ii) Register:  
<https://carmelclayparks.app.neoncrm.com/np/clients/carmelclayparks/projectList.jsp?query.project.id=843>
- e) Carmel HOA group (CNAN) – Claire to present on 10/28 @ 6pm
- f) Nov. 20<sup>th</sup> – Strike Team at Dillon Park led by Master Gardeners

**4) Education Station**

- a) Ed Station sign up: <https://signup.zone/9FJ8w9vvBkYf6tpdD>
- b) Garlic Mustard in the Midwest resource for land managers
  - i) [https://bugwoodcloud.org/mura/mipn/assets/File/MIPN\\_GMMManagement\\_Sept2021\\_Final.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0sG-7ZMSMQ8eATeNelco9b0jmJU8mYDma2ZGvlsRyIBPg7VtjTBeFrGN4](https://bugwoodcloud.org/mura/mipn/assets/File/MIPN_GMMManagement_Sept2021_Final.pdf?fbclid=IwAR0sG-7ZMSMQ8eATeNelco9b0jmJU8mYDma2ZGvlsRyIBPg7VtjTBeFrGN4)

**5) HIP General**

- a) Weed Wrangles - fall event schedule?
  - i) Register your WW, more info/volunteer info:  
<http://invasivesinhamilton.weebly.com/registerww.html>
  - ii) Hosts: report your data after here: <http://www.hcinvasives.org/weed-wrangle-post-event-submission.html>
- b) GIS mapping – Claire --tabled
  - i) Fall meeting to be scheduled
- c) Hamilton County Invasive Species Awareness Week 2022 Dates
  - i) State dates won't be confirmed until the end of the year. It is usually the third week of April.
- d) Invasive species trade in program - <http://www.hcinvasives.org/trade.html>
  - i) Trade bushes for bushes and trees for trees. – noted for next year
  - ii) Mention that fall is a great time to plant a tree. -- done
  - iii) Link to eradication info and contact Taylor. -- done
  - iv) Hashtag or swap infographic people could post. – will do
- e) 2022 Goal Setting

- i) Technical committee – tackle that in October or November. Then we can all come together to set goals in December and January to have set by the end of January.

## 6) Technical Committee Update

- a) Strike Team
  - i) Officially combined with the Master Gardener Strike Team. This is a well-rounded partnership.
  - ii) Safety and Eradication Techniques presentation to HCMGA at the pavilion at Dillon Park RECAP- ID, practical training went really well.
    - (1) This could be adapted to offer to parks department laborers. Need to educate people who are doing mowing, etc.
    - (2) This could be a good topic to address at the GIS meeting?
    - (3) Can we connect this to climate change?
  - iii) HIP Strike Team @ Fall Creek Township Natural Area in Fishers RECAP
    - (1) First time finally getting to use sharp tools and herbicide.
  - iv) Upcoming event at Macgregor on October 23<sup>rd</sup>
    - (1) Register: <https://hamiltonswcd.salsalabs.org/MacgregorParkStrikeTeam102321/index.html>
- b) Wrapping up other goals for end of the year.
- c) Next meeting is between 4-4:30 at Hazel Landing before the Audubon event.
- d) Kim put together a summary document going over how the work was done at Teter. This document serves as a history and also a guide for novices embarking on an invasive management and restoration project. Kim will share with Claire.

## 7) Education Committee Update

- a) Native Alternatives to Common Invasive Species Presentation with Hamilton East Public Library RECAP
  - i) Presented Lisa and Laura’s presentation and it was great!

## 8) Partner Updates

- a) SWCD - thanks for tree sale help, tool loan ramping back up.
- b) CCPR – na
- c) HCMGA – na
- d) SICIM – na
- e) WGT – working on replanting where things were removed in the spring. Grapevine came back heavy. They have 15 bushes and trees from the tree sale.
- f) General—Grace Johnson—welcome! Grace just took down a burning bush she’s had for over 30 years! Christy Oakes has attended some presentations and volunteered at the tree sale. Nan Molitor works hard on her HOA common area woods and pond plantings. Susan Steele - newer to the area.
- g) Kim has 4 blackhaw viburnums to giveaway! Contact him if you are interested!
- h) Kim has done some background work with the state chemists office on licensing vs certification. The SWCD can not license non-employees so most volunteers who pursue this training will be certified but not licensed. We will need a licensed individual to do any work on school properties.
- i) Kim is going to tackle wintercreeper at Morse!

## 9) Next meeting(s)

- a) HIP – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday, alternating 12 and 6
  - i) Next meeting: 11/3 at 6pm
    - (1) 6pm registrations:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0tf-qvpzkrGd3AQvaKB0vDyCFQa829IHXd>
    - (2) 12pm registrations:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZ0pdOmqrzMoHNK6PzW4XVTO8Xft9FIIMfbs>
- b) Education Committee – 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at noon
  - i) 10/20, 11/17
- c) Technical Committee – 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 2:30

- i) 10/13, 11/10
- ii) 10/13 is at 4:00pm at Hazel Landing Park in Carmel



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Your invasive for our native!

Show us your removed  
invasive species and get a  
FREE 5 gallon native tree!

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Healthy In. Healthy Partners.