



Texas Gulf Region  
Cooperative Weed Management Area  
Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2018

2:00 PM to 4:00 PM

Location: Nature Preserve Headquarters, 106 Cut Off Rd.

In attendance:

Colleen Simpson, Kendal Keyes, Frank Morgan, Mark Kroeze, Katie Swanson, Rosario Martinez, A.J. Conrad, Dan McLendon, Bill Behrens, Scott Cross

1. 2:00pm Call to order. Welcome and Introductions.
  - a. Dan and A.J. from American Conservation Experience (ACE) do non-profit work on public land. Able to bid on removal work.
    - i. ACE has volunteered to work on City land for free with chemicals being provided.
    - ii. Check to see if chemicals costs can be reimbursed to City from existing grants
  - b. Frank Morgan resident of Port A looking to get more involved in CWMA
2. Updates on Current and Upcoming Funding
  - a. CMP – Shredding and treating 67 acres of City Property, contract through UT
  - b. CBBEP – Peppertree removal and treatment on UT and County Property
3. Updates on Future Funding Opportunities
  - a. NOAA Coastal Resiliency Grant
    - i. Pre-proposal due March 7<sup>th</sup>
    - ii. 40% Match Required
    - iii. Potential Project ideas:
      1. Goose Island State Park 80acres shoreline stabilization
      2. Propagation of native trees, partner with local nurseries
    - iv. Fund position for CWMA coordinator for 3 years.
  - b. Apache Tree Grant
    - i. Tree required to be planted on public land
4. Building Partnerships
  - a. RETREET
    - i. Grady McGahan working with Keep Port Aransas Beautiful on replanting event for fall
5. Updates on treatment areas/workdays
  - a. RFP is out for CMP work on 67 acres, site visits with contractors scheduled.
  - b. Work day at Port A Community park went well, retreated area that was treated recently by DBI and expanded to area around pond and gazebo
6. Future Projects and Events
  - a. Eat the Invasives

- b. Work Day
- c. Peppertree Inventory
  - i. Golf Carts, Maps, drones?
  - ii. Intern with GIS?
  - iii. Record on invasives.org?
  - iv. Go door-to-door with flyers
  
- 7. New Business
  - a. None
  
- 8. Next Meeting, conference call 2pm March 1
  
- 9. 4:00 PM Depart