



MEETING MINUTES/RESULTS

Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee

Jan. 28, 2021, 6:00-7:30 p.m. Via Zoom

- I. Call to order. Attendance sheet.** Darcey Capstick, Chair, Su Gosh, Vice Chair, Barron Rutledge, Jeanne Clauson, Laura Houck, Jeanne Tevlin, Gary Sriperumbudor, Lois Balance, Susan Mlynarczyk, Tom McCarthy Director of Parks, Recreation & Arts
- II. Announcements: recommended quarterly city newsletter articles emailed to all members. Special Announcement:** *New from the Butterfly House is a grant for one of five, 32 native flora – both nectar and host plants – kits for butterflies. The application was sent to Dir. McCarthy today for filing. Probable sites considered were City Hall, Central Park, Logan Park, Parks Dept. Site, and others. Tom will decide based on several factors, including maintenance, etc. The CCEAC Members unanimously approved this Grant and process. Laura proposed it and Su seconded.*

Approval/edits of Dec. 17, 2020 Minutes/Results. *Jeanne T - made motion to approve minutes from the last meeting and Laura seconded it. The motion was unanimously approved.*

III. Old Business

A. Quarterly Conservation Education Presentations/Speakers/Outreach/ZOOM? - Dir. McCarthy

1. Chris Hartley – Project Pollinator partner, butterfly gardening, overwintering gardens, native flora sale at Butterfly House April 10, 11, 17, 18, 2021. Chris will Zoom for any of our conservation education presentations from our calendar.
2. Susan Piazza – Recycling: updates and beyond; Th. Ap. 22 presentation 6:30 – 7:30 PM Zoom was recommended by the members. Scheduled at the Pool Parking Lot pavilion if a good response. If not, then will be done via Zoom.
3. National Wildlife Week – 4/6-10/21, Garden for Wildlife Month 5/2021
4. Invasive species awareness/invasives - October {‘no set time’ in country report}. Set time here? Vote. *Everyone agreed, unanimously, that October would be Chesterfield’s Invasive Species Awareness Month. This will be put into our CCEAC Brochure updates. Pull invasives/plant natives to honor Arbor Day? – Darcy, Dir. McCarthy*
5. Pollinators’ Week, 6/21-27/2021; monarch-pollinators network : *Chris Hartley may present via Zoom call*
6. International Compost Awareness Week – 5/2-8/2021: *Members proposed a zoom meeting for this. Kari Johnson may be a potential speaker for this*
7. International Earth Hour – 3/27/21, new flyer (email with agenda) – *Done. Su suggested to reach out to the Network (Send them thru the trustees..). Tom will look into how to spread through social media Director McCarthy coordinated thru the newsletter. Article published on the city’s newsletter.*
8. Arbor Days: MO 4/2 and National 4/30. Tom shared the request for presentation with our Arborist Geoff. Tom thinks that will be a Zoom meeting.
9. Education/community outreach tables at city hall, Y, Library determined by pandemic protocols- *There is not much discussion due to pandemic. Halls/Libraries are closed. (Tom mentioned that there would be only three newsletters this year. Darcy requested the next city newsletter article Due Date. Tom said he would get that to her.)*

B. 30th Annual Chesterfield Earth Day – April 24, 2021, site?, hours? Flyer? - Dir. McCarthy, JC, Darcy

Drive thru for native trees, seeds, conservation information in recycled shopping bags AND
 Drive thru to re/cycle electronics, confidential docs shreds, textiles?, paired shoes?, etc.? -> No flyer yet.
 Use the same Tree Guide flyer as last year; need a Tree Guide for 2021 trees and our 30th Earth Day.
 Space to drive thru to pick a tree. Thank you for the drivers. Native Seeds/plants...

- Drive thru for native trees, seeds, conservation information in recycled shopping bags -
- Jeanne C has seeds from 2020 that she thinks 90% viable. She will look through Wildseeds Farm catalog for possible purchases.
- Drive thru to recycle electronics, confidential docs shreds, textiles, paired shoes, etc.? MRC, Shredders, Remains, Bicycle works, STL Teachers Recycles will be contacted. Darcy will contact Charity Sharity for 150 additional bags.

C. Planning Logan Park native flora garden for Monarch butterflies - Dir. McCarthy, JC, Donna, Darcy

1. Work with Landscape Designers on native butterfly-pollinator garden. Medicine Wheel? --> Acquired 9 acres. Graded, seeded. Property is for 30 years. We have the water source. Park people will maintain the group.
2. Phase#1: Parking, Playground, Restrooms etc. Phase#2: Pickle Ball and the garden area
3. Looking for grants
4. Design: Medicine Wheel – was a spiritual/ceremonial design of ancient civilizations, those who walked here before us, with appropriate size and connectivity to the community

D. NWF – next telecon 2/2/2021 - Dir. McCarthy, Darcy → Links were shared by Darcy after the last meeting.

1. Links emailed for Mayors Monarch Pledge Actions, discuss, vote: Unanimously accepted
2. Mayors Monarch Proclamation; sign-up by 3/21; 11 actions due by 12/21: Accepted by everyone
3. NWF Application for Amphitheater Native Garden Expansion status – It is still pending per Tom

E. Recycling: Republic: Y – 654 cu. Yd.; R – 417.48 T; T – 1081.6 T. Royal Oak: awaiting report (Personnel changed)

- Senior Citizen discount from Republic- Source: West News Magazine and Republic
- City did not renew the contract yet with Republic. Soliciting public bids.
- Personal opinions on Republic can be sent to City/Jim Erickson

IV. Action Items:

1. City's website update – Su → Su Again requested for input from each member for 3-5 preferred documents list on the website.
 - a. Tom will provide most popular ones based on number of hits
 - b. Documents can be archived.
 - c. Jeanne T shared her feedback to Su
 - d. Darcy requested that everyone follow the conservation calendar
2. End of Year 2020 Report (complete & email with agenda) – Darcy - Done
3. Beekeeping write-up – Dir. McCarthy -In-Progress. He will provide the update at the next meeting
4. Water A Most Precious Resource updated flyer on our page on website – Dir. McCarthy
5. W 1 volunteers – Dir. McCarthy → Talk to Barb/Mary, Efforts continue. Volunteers are not available due to pandemic.
6. Community Garden Group to maintain native gardens – Dir. McCarthy – Still waiting to hear from Steve, updates will be provided once he heard from him.
7. 3 NWF outdoor Certified CWLife Habitat signs – Dir. McCarthy -Tom purchased three 12X9” signs for City Hall, Parks HQ, and Amphitheater
8. Eberwein Tree Walk – Dir. McCarthy - Tom is working with Jim E. Trails washed off, need to be fixed first before installing tree walks. Butterfly garden survived.

9. Planning Grant for Central Park Expansion – Dir. McCarthy- *Applied for a Muni Grant. Meeting scheduled with SWT tomorrow (01/29/2021). Send out the schedule to all the CCEAC members. Start the process in August; we will hear the outcome by December 2021.*

V. **Unfinished Business – Jeanne T., Donna P.** *Updated invasive flora flyer needed – who? - Looking for an updated flyer. MDOC has a new flyer per Tom. J T will work on this. Handout the flyer to the people.*

- *Get the URL/Link will be updated on the city web site*
- *Need the flyer before October for Chesterfield's Invasive Species Awareness Month*

VI. **New Business/Other. Next meeting Th., Feb. 25, 2021**

1. 2021 editions of Chesterfield What and Where and Buying Recycled Means CTLoop – JC, Donna, Darcy- *Donna can use the telephone to update CW&W. JC & Donna will work on CWhat & Where. Buying Recycled...cannot be updated now because it calls for Jeanne C to go into all stores – wait until pandemic is over.*
2. 7:29 Meeting adjourned

Next Meeting: Feb. 25, 2021, 6:00 p.m., City Hall

The Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee will consider and act upon the matters listed above, and such other matters as may be presented at the meeting and determined to be appropriate for discussion at that time. PERSONS REQUIRING AN ACCOMMODATION TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD CONTACT Ann-Marie Stagoski at (636) 812-9501, AT LEAST TWO (2) WORKDAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.