



Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee

Jan. 25, 2024, 6:00 P.M.

Meeting Notice

Chesterfield City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Pkwy. West

Room #102/3

- I. **Call Meeting to Order:** Farewell reception for Darcy. The meeting was called to order at 6:35PM
- II. **Roll Call:** Kari Johnson, City Liason, Darcy Capstick, Chair (Ward III), Su Ghosh, Vice Chair (Ward III), Donna Pecherski (Ward II), Jeanne Clausen (Ward III), Rob Kilo (Ward IV), Barron Rutledge (Ward I), Vaishali Soneta (Ward IV), Susan Mlynarczyk (Ward III)
Guests: Council member Merrel Hansen (Ward IV), Jeanne Tevlin (ex CCEAC committee member)
A. New Green Shirts – Next meeting
B. Election of Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary postponed to Feb. 22
C. Updated December 2023, current CCEAC Brochure – distributed by Darcy
- III. **Approval of Meeting Summary of Dec. 14, 2023** Donna P made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Jeanne C.
- IV. **Unfinished Business**
 - A. NWF
 1. 2/12, 4/14, 9/16, 12/9/24; Chair is NWF “Steward.” 3 PM our time. **WHO** will take this 2/12 Telecon/Zoom (for Fiscal Year Report)? Jeanne C to attend 02/12/24 zoom meeting. Darcy to send the link to her
 2. Fifth Mayor’s Monarch Pledge Proclamation: recommended by the committee. Darcy asked all to check out the last one and to see it helps native pollinators
 3. CFM – 88th annual convention. 3/2 Affiliate Luncheon.
 - a. New Board; review vote – email sent by Darcy
 - b. Parks Director should attend; unanimous recommendation for the Parks director to attend. Kari J mentioned a potential conflict for attending with an in-town meeting happening on the same day
 - B. 19th Year Recertifications for posting to: City Hall, Parks HQ, Butterfly House
 1. Add Josts Greenhouses for Certificate. Committee voted in agreement. Donna to give a copy to Paul McCool to take to Josts Greenhouse
 - C. Newsletter articles - on World Water Day emailed 12/15 to Kari
 1. International Earth Hour Flyer 2024 last Sat. of March & article to Kari 1/9/24 – Completed by Su

2. NEED article about 19th Recertification of Community Wildlife Habitat & 20th year 2024 effort this year for next city newsletter due when (for Fiscal Year Report)? Due by mid April. Will be done by Kari
- D. End of Year Accomplishments 2023/*DRAFT* – Completed by Darcy and Su. Copies distributed. Waiting for comments due by 01/31/24
- E. Updated 2023 CCEAC Brochure, & Green Team List on our page? – Done by Kari. Darcy to check and confirm
- F. 33rd Chesterfield Earth Day update, April 27, 2024
 1. St. Louis Compost, Rick Blosser, bring own bags – Kari Rick Blosser is not with St Louis Compost anymore (Rob K confirmed), possibly new contact is Roy Gross, Vaishali to verify
 2. Native trees with Geoff Wegrzyn, City Arborist – List given to Kari
 3. Tree Guide, Kari to make
 4. Wildflowers – Josts Greenhouses, Paul McCool to get these for Earth Day
 5. Remains at Red Key – Kari, contact Paul Wyte
 6. Wildflower Seeds: 2 mixes ordered?, ‘Bag and Tag’ date/time/place TBD possibly during weekday lunch hour and informed to all by Jeanne C and Donna
 7. Flyer, article by Kari for city newsletter – 33rd Earth Day
 8. Little cup planting plan for children – cups purchased? – Kari to do
- G. December Recycling Results: Republic and Royal Oak PLEASE FILL UP
- H. Fall ‘Recycling at Schools’ PowerPoint/Republic – Donna, Makarand, in works

V. New Business

- A. Minute for the Environment – RK - Importance of getting the Backyard gardens certified as NWF wildlife habitat, shared the simple requirements for it, and Monarch Grove brochures and other relevant documents (electronically, email on 01/26/24)
- B. Eberwein Farm Park, Tree Walk – Kari confirmed completion
- C. Arbor Day/s status at Wild Horse Elementary – Vaishali, Kari
 1. 4/5 and/or 4/26
 2. Principal’s selection/choice of tree/s - approved to share the tree list
- D. March, April, May event/opportunity
 1. 33rd Earth Day; Arbor Day/s, April 5 and/or 26?
- E. June, July, August event/opportunity - TBD
- F. September, October, November event/opportunity (Fall Festival)
- G. Order box of 100 NWF “Garden for Wildlife” magazines for Earth Day - Kari
- H. See below listing of what is on our page, city website for which CCEAC is

curator

VI. Announcements

1. Barron R will not be attending mtgs thru August 2024
2. Rob K passed on a quote “Planting Forget-Me-Nots represents a pledge that you will never forget them and that you will think of them often” ~ Planet Natural. He also mpassed on packets of Forget-Me-Nots for everyone in honor of Darcy’s THIRTY THREE years of leadership and service to Chesterfield to be planted in a planter

3. Committee thanked Darcy for her leadership and dedication to the environmental causes

VII. Adjournment at 7.40PM

1. Next Meeting Th., Feb. 22, 2024

On our page* of the city's website, all current:

1. Programs and initiatives – flyers, explanations, sources
2. Partners of Project Pollinator/Butterfly House, flyers
3. International Earth Hour – annually updated
4. Environmental Initiatives – “Living Green” in Chesterfield
5. Informative websites – conservation education
6. Natural Resources and Community Habitat
7. NWF Background and Garden for Wildlife Presentation
8. “Bring Conservation Home” partnership with St. Louis Audubon Society
9. What is sustainability
10. Chesterfield What and Where to Recycle directory updated annually
11. Documents, brochures and resources PDF's listed at the bottom of this page:
CCEAC Brochure/our 'roadmap,' TREEED Partners and rationale, Green Team Members 69+ (rationale in CCEAC Brochure), Stellar Green Youth Team applications, How to compost, invasive plants, battery recycling, etc.

*CCEAC is the curator of this page and must update special flyers and documents each year. Keeping our CCEAC Brochure current must be done by December of any year. The City Liaison has access to this page to change or alter it. We supply that which needs to be changed or added to our City Liaison. Our End of Year Accomplishments 2023 should appear here top left, green margin.