

MEETING MINUTES (1ST Draft)

January 25, 2018, 6:15 p.m.

City Hall, Rooms #102-3

Mission Statement: conservation of native, natural, and energy resources education.

- I. Call to Order** at 6:15 p.m.
- II. Members Present:** Polly Rutherford, Jeanne Clauson, Jeanne Tevlin, Ram Kurapati, Gary Budoor, Donna Pecherski, Laura Houck; Terry Grogan, Paul Travers Council Liaison: Ben Keathley, City Rep:Tom McCarthy Absent: Darcy Capstick, Su Ghosh, city rep – Mary Klauke
- III.** Approval of December 21, 2017 **Minutes.** Motion to approve by Laura Houck and seconded by Paul Travers. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved.
- IV.** There was a motion and second to not print the minutes, and it was approved by all by voice vote.
- V. Partner Visitation:** Geoff Wegrzyn, City Arborist: Geoff Wegrzyn was not present. He will send tree ideas and layout and was not needed to attend the meeting. First Friday April, 6th, MO Arbor Day/time/place/trees; last Friday April 27th, National Arbor Day/time/place/trees.
- VI. Agenda/Announcement – Darcy, Tom**
- A. Republic; Royal Oak Total volume for December is 2.14; Republic Services yard waste: 1561,00, Recycling: 472,22, Trash: 884,37. These are residential results. Tom will check Parks and Amphitheatre results and will also post previous years numbers so we can determine how much of an increase from the CVAC.
- B. Letter to NWF & CAPRA for more holistic and unified Community and Parks Measurements for Higher Sustainability-Centered Designs from 5/14/17 – when can it be sent? Letter is done and Jeanne C. will take to Darcy to sign.
- C. Current Conservation Issues. Mountain Lion and Deer discussion and what’s being done about them.
- VII. “Sustainability by Design” Projects.**
- A. **CCE Handouts/Archives Updates - Darcy**
1. Signature Garden Application Flyer update; inclusive of Subdivision Trustees, Families and Business Families (not for Landscape Professionals) – Hand out was passed out. Gary, Ram and Jeanne C. made a very nice flyer advertisement for the Signature Garden. Tom will look over and see if there are any changes to be made and will send it back to the committee for final approval. We may need to change the photo that is there which was actually planted by “Wild Ones” from the grant they gave in Chesterfield. We will change it to a photo that was actually planted by the family who won the award.
- B. **SLCDOHWM Group Pilot Project Grant – Tom , Darcy**
1. Quarterly report 2/15/18; article in quarterly city newsletter– Tom- There is nothing to report right now. Containers will be out in the spring. We will have 26 bins from the grant. Su suggested (remotely) Tom write a bigger grant to get more bins for A quad at the athletic complex. Problem would be manpower and money to fund the time involved. Might not be financially feasible. Should possibly give the initial bins at the amphitheater a year to see how it goes over.
2. In-kind vouchers; review Donna’s CCE posters – Tom
3. 2018 Concert Dates: 6/2 & 16, and 7/14. RD 7/28. **Hold Dates.**
4. Follow up recycling questions – Tom, Ben
1. The Valley’s Mall Mgmt./businesses
2. Blowing trash/refuse

C. NWF – Darcy, Tom

1. NWF Native bee/bumblebee effort underway. Tom trying to get an Eagle Scout to make some bee houses and have them ready for Earth Day.
2. Jeanne T's Schoolyard Certificate! Westridge certificate. Jeanne T. has it. She will scan and send to Tom.
3. Mayors' Monarch Pledge filed prior to 1/20/18. Expansion: (YMCA, Parks office, looking at areas to stop mowing so often, working with Sachs to stop mowing the fields so much, and checking to be sure it also doesn't get too high that they are cited by the city.)
4. 12/12/17 National Telecon.; call notes review if received.
5. Received free new Applications, and Butterflies Tip Sheets. These were passed around, so that we circle changes or updates and send to Tom.
6. International Earth Hour 2018 Flyer; distribute – Su, Darcy. (not present)

D. **Bears, Blankets, bags, sleeves – update/view matrix** – Tom: 56 new Bears in today and a huge amount of bags with the sleeves to hold bags. We all agreed that we now like to switch to just regular recycle bags and not so much on the recycle sleeve bags. We don't want to promote using plastic bags.

E. **27th Annual Earth Day, April 28, 2018. “Partnering With Pollinators!” Indoors/outdoors Mall**– everybody

1. Monarch/Pollinator Nexus Gardens PR – will be developed by a new city staff PR person/update. Will be part of NOON/Conservation Honors with Bagpiper, Bee Boxes/Houses, 13th NWF Certification for CWHabitat, new signage for GN! Demo Garden, 2 BPGC Youth/table, Monsanto gifting 20 bee houses/tube type – Darcy, Tom.
2. Review 2 brainstorming meetings – Jeanne T. Ideas discussed:
A: Try to attract more families. More family friendly activities and attractions such as composting demonstrations and making bee houses. Will come up with times for each project. We may be able to have free train rides and carousel rides. Jeanne talked to carousel owner. 50 tickets for train raffle @ \$1.25 per ticket. Perhaps do 25 tickets for train rides (\$62.50 total) also. This was voted on and approved to proceed with train and carousel rides. B:
Try to move closer to center of mall, get rid of stage.
C: Reptile man is signed up to come. Wild Bird Sanctuary has another event and can't come. We're checking other connections. No dancers this year. Tom asked about IT NET, an Indian group who has an Indian Festival. They are going to try to have them do a special event at the amphitheater, other than Earth Day.
D: Draft of ED Flyer passed around. Latest times discussed for ED: inside will be 10:00 to 2:00, not 10 to 3:00. 9:00 to 1:00 for outside.
E: Possibly giving away recycled goods products: paper towels, napkins, TP.
F: Eagle Scout is working on bat condo, Tom will ask if he can bring his condo for display. Many ideas discussed. Tom wants all ideas for flyer emailed to him by end of next week.
3. Wildseed Farm Catalog handout for annual & native pollinator mixes – Order. Tom wants email from Donna for what to order. New bags also.
4. ED Tree Guide 2018 view; Earth Day Flyer draft view 1/18 – Tom. Jeff W. (City Arborist)
5. EBlast review – Tom.
6. Ranger Rick is coming!!!
7. CCE Water Bottles; view info. Sheet for each one. {overall education focus remains on: fresh water/sustainable gardening/recycling} – Tom. Tom gave us all a water bottle. A flyer will go inside. He ordered 500 bottles.

8. DJM Ecoservices/Pure Air Natives exclusive native flora vendor per our Metamorphosing Monarch Ed. Sheet with 10 native flora picks on back. They will be selling a grouping from this Chesterfield Batch. Only one flower vendor for selling plants.

9. Re/ecycle drive-through will use Pedro's Planet who does not keep cardboards, Kraft bags. Mary still working on vendors. People with JUST shredding will go in one line, and those who have anything else will go in another line.

10. Monsanto Proposal will have table with STEM bee houses video with things for children. – Tom: They are giving away 20 bee houses. Will also have the table where we're making bee houses.

F. **Green Team Emblems** – 2 New Honorees (#61 & 62) set for City Council 2/21/2018, 6:30 PM – Darcy, Tom (No Tussie Musies (flowers) to date.)

G. **Blue Planet's GREEN Challenge Family:** Arjun, Rishi and Mr. Raychaudhuris visit March 22; will have table at Earth Day - Jeanne T.

H. **Volunteers coordinating for Earth Day** – Tom: Michelle will coordinate volunteers. Certificate will be given out to each volunteer at end of shift.

J. **Other.**

VIII. **Calendar:** *3/22/18 World Water Day; *National Wildlife Week 3/18; *International Earth Hour 3/18; *MO Arbor Day 4/6/18; *National Arbor Day 4/27/18; *27th Annual Chesterfield Earth Day, Sat., April 28 2018; * Quarterly City Newsletter articles due 2/2/18 for 3, 4, &5, 2018; *2/21/18 City Council Meeting for Green Teaming #61 and #62; *5/18 World Migration Bird Day; *Visit from American Document Destruction Manager TBA. (Articles ED, Monarch Pollinator,

IX. **Adjournment.** 7:40

X. **Next Meeting:** Feb. 22, 2018, 6:15 P.M., City Hall, #102-3.

Handouts: CCE 2018 Calendar* below, updated Signature Garden Application Flyer (T 20), Help Save Monarch Butterflies duplex (T 20), International Earth Hour 2018 (T 20), NWF Call Notes (D 15).

Library – 3/12 – 22/18; & YMCA – 4/9 – 25/18

MO Arbor Day: Fri. 4/6/18

National Arbor Day: Fri. 4/27/18

Earth Day: Sat. 4/28/18

GRANT Concert Dates: 6/2 & 16/2018, 7/14/18, Rain Date 7/28

Library 9/10 – 21/18; & YMCA 10/1 – 6/18 Ed. Tables

W. Oct. 3 Y Theater for Project Pollinator

Sat. Oct. 6 planting 3rd segment of Y's native garden

IBH Eradications – Sat. Oct. 20 Faust Park & Chesterfield Park

22nd Chesterfield/MO/America Recycles Event – Sat., Nov. 3, 2018, Central Park Drive-thru

*Y, Library, Faust Park, Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts need to approve.