



## Summary of Meeting Minutes

### CHESTERFIELD CITIZENS ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, August 28, 2025 6:00 PM Conference Room 102-103

**I. CALL TO ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM

**II. ATTENDANCE** Kari Johmson, City Liaison, Jeanne Tevlin, Chair(Ward IV), Rob Kilo, Assistant Chair(Ward IV), Laura Houck, Secretary(Ward III), Su Ghosh(Ward III), Deepa Dhanalakota Ward IV, Jessica Eilerman, Ward I, Visitors: Darcy Capstick, Emeritus, Pat Tocco Council Person Ward II, Merrill Hanson Council Person Ward IV, Mary Ann Mastorakos Council Person Ward II and Katie Siech

#### **III. APPROVAL OF MEETING SUMMARY**

A. Approval of 2025-07-24 meeting results Add Amendment to the September minutes: The list of 17 trees was presented to city arborist, Geoff Wegerzyn. Rob Kilo made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Su Ghosh seconded the motion.

#### **IV. COMMITTEE RECAPS/FOLLOW UPS**

A. National Wildlife Federation updates.

- a. August 18 - Council meeting presentation. 20<sup>th</sup> National Wildlife Certification. This certificate was presented to Mayor Dan Hurt at the last city council meeting. Jeanne Clauson was honored for her years on the CCEAC Committee. The CCEAC had a wonderful article in the new addition of the Chesterfield Citizen.
- b. NWF Network Wide zoom meeting – August 4 - Jeanne Tevlin, Rob Kilo There are 176 certified communities in the US with 196 registered. Jeanne and Rob listened to the zoom meeting on Aug, 4.
- c. Lead and backup: NWF Network Wide zoom mtg – Nov. 3, 2025, 3 pm – Lead and back up will be discussed at the next meeting.
- d. NWF certification requirements status – Vaishali Soneta Vaishali was not in attendance for this meeting. Kari and Vaishali still need to meet to discuss certification requirements for the NWF. Some examples where we get points are holding Earth Day, article in the Chesterfield Citizen, attending the NWF zoom call.
- e. Send pictures to Su Ghosh for her to include in the end of the year summary.

B. Educational/Marketing

- a. Next Citizen article deadline? Topic? The deadline for the next newsletter is September 26. The topic will be on native trees from the list we are promoting. Su Ghosh and Katie Siech will write the article.
- b. QR codes on brochures status The QR code for What and Where needs to be fixed. Kari will work on this. Katie Siech suggested that we have a QR code that will take you to the city's website where you will have access to all of the committee's articles. Jeanne Tevlin and Rob Kilo will help fix this after the website is completed.
- c. Monthly Educational Posts
  - September Eblast– native trees – Rob The list of native trees was sent to the city's arborist, Geoff Wergezyn who added the chinkapin oak. Kari will have her team turn the list of native trees into a fun flyer with pictures. This will be approved by Geoff and then by Wayne Dunker Parks Director. Then it will be approved by CCEAC and then city council. A request was made to ask Geoff to include a short leaf pine tree as it is the only evergreen tree on the list.
  - October Eblast Jessica will write an article about native plants for pollinators and where to buy them.
  - A- Frame - finalize messaging for Central Park and Logan Park - dates Recycling will be going to the A-frame for Central and Logan Parks

## **V. UPDATE ON EVENTS AND DEADLINES**

- a. Publication on Native Tree – Rob
- b. August 9 – Saturday - Back to School Bash recap
- c. October 4 - Saturday – Trucks and Treats - Brainstorm
- d. October 9 – Saturday – Senior Sampler: Trunk or Treat brainstorm
- e. Staff Updates. New Member Packets
  1. Kari mentioned the three different articles from CCEAC in the Chesterfield Citizen
  2. New member packet for Parks and CCEAC new members
  3. New nametags were brought by Kari
  4. Fall removal of honeysuckle in September
  5. Rob mentioned the trash left by the lake after the Indian festival that was recent. 30 Callery Pears to be removed this fall and winter in Central Park
  6. Two-sided printing will start in order to save paper

## **VI. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMENTS (2 minutes per person)**

**Su and Deepa will take pictures on areas previously worked on during the**

**Honeysuckle removal.**

**VII.ADJOURNMENT – 7:35**

Next meeting Thursday, September 25, 2025