

MEETING MINUTES
Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment
December 17, 2009, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, Multipurpose Room

Committee Attendees: Darcy Capstick, Jeanne Clauson, Rachel Eilbott, Donna Pecherski, Terry Grogan, Polly Rutherford, Scott Soucek, Jeff Chapple, Ken Denson

Committee Absentees: Ted Slap

Liaison Attendees: Libbey Malberg, Sarah Cantlon, City Council Member Matt Segal

Visitors: City Council Member Randy Logan

I. Call to Order/Agenda – Darcy. (6:30 PM)

- A. **Sign-in. Handouts: MSD Information from 11/4.**
- B. **Approval of Minutes – Ken. (None presented)**

II. “Mainstreaming Green” Projects: Discussions/and-or Actions.

- A. Visitor: City Council Member Randy Logan: Citizens Alliance for Positive Youth (CAPY) at Tree Day. *Provided additional details and logistics of the pharmaceuticals collection event that will be carried out at Tree Day. CAPY is working toward making this a twice-a-year event.*
- B. Report on NWF National Teleconference of 12/8 – Darcy. *There are now 37 Certified and 45 Registered Community Wildlife Habitats nationwide. (Chesterfield is Certified; registration precedes full certification.) NWF is developing recycled metal outdoor Community Wildlife Habitat signs, similar to the Tree City USA signs. Purchase discounts will be available for Certified communities.*
- C. **19th Annual Tree, Earth and Arbor Day: Water’s Where It’s At!!! Sat., April 24, 2010, Central City Park, 9 AM – 2 PM.**
 - 1. Food/No Waste update – Jeff. *Proposal that was approved is to start by allowing non-profits, such as the Boy Scouts, to sell food for the initial event. Jeff Chapple will develop a policy in conjunction with the City Liaisons for soliciting and approving organizations that wish to sell food.*
 - 2. Update on Trees to be Given Away – Jeanne, Libbey. *Tree List: River Birch(75), White Flowering Dogwood(100), Red Bud(100), Buttonbush(75), Ninebark(75), Spicebush(75)*
 - 3. Exhibitors/vendors – Darcy. *Ms. Capstick reported that a number of organizations agreed to come because they will be able to sell items. Around 17 of the approximately exhibitors are planning to sell items.*
 - 4. Reusable water bottle purchase for Tree Day– Sarah. *~150 BPA-free, recycled plastic green water bottles with the white CCE logo have been ordered, using the remainder of the Wal-Mart grant money.*
 - 5. Other. *Additional tents will be set up this year, and exhibitors will be deployed along the new road in Central City Park (running alongside the new sculpture area).*
 - 6. *The Committee approved renaming the event to simply Earth Day, with the same water theme for this year’s event.*

- D. Update on American Recovery & Reinvestment Act/Energizing Missouri Communities – Libbey. ***The City has received \$219K via this program, thus far. Activities include improved heating, cooling, and lighting efficiencies.***
- E. Millennium Green Heritage Grove plantings/CVAC Park update – Libbey. ***Trees have been planted in the west end of the park. Additional native plants will be planted as funds allow.***
- F. Streamwalk/DOC Grant – Libbey. ***The City was not awarded this grant.***
- G. Conservation Federation of Missouri/ Teaming with Wildlife Grant Applications in January, 2010/Watershed ‘Cleanup’ – Libbey, Darcy. ***A complication has been identified that the City doesn’t own qualifying waterways.***
- H. Volunteer Update - Darcy
 - 1. Establishment of Volunteer liaison ***Donna Pecherski volunteered to serve in this role.***
- I. End of Year Summary – Congratulations CCE! – Darcy.
- J. Other. ***There were reports of organizations accepting broken Christmas lights for E-cycling. Libbey will check whether WITS accepts them at their events.***

III. Calendar

- *PR Tree Day Flyer DRAFT 1/2010**
- *Tree Guide DRAFT 1/2010**
- *City Newsletter Copy due 1/15/10 for 3, 4, 5/10**
- *Green Teaming #50 of WITS at City Council – W., 2/17/10**
- *July Honor Reception for Stellar Green Youth (if necessary)**

III. Next Meeting: Thursday, January 22, 2010, 6:30 PM, City Hall – Room #102/3
Happy Holidays!

(Adjourned to holiday party at 7:24 PM)