



Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee
Dec. 14, 2023, 6:00 P.M.
Summary of Meeting Minutes
Chesterfield City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Pkwy. West, Multi-Purpose Room

I. Call Meeting to Order: Eat & Meet Process - Barron. The meeting was called to order at 6:08PM

II. Roll Call: Kari Johnson, City Liason, Darcy Capstick, Chair (Ward III), Laura Houck, Secretary (Ward III), Paul McCool (Ward I), Makarand Deo (Ward II), Donna Pecherski(Ward II), Jeanne Clausen (Ward III), Rob Kilo (Ward IV), Barron Rutledge (Ward I)

A. New Green Shirts: W II and W IV They will arrive in January for Makarand Deo and Rob Kilo.

B. New Member: Rob Kilo, W IV

III.Approval of Meeting Summary of Nov. 16, 2023, Paul McCool made a motion to accept the minutes as written. The motion was seconded by Makarand Deo.

IV. Unfinished Business

A. National Wildlife Federation (NWF)

1. 12/4 report: 158 Certified CWLH, 172 registered

a. 2/12, 4/14, 9/16, 12/9/24 next year's schedule

2. Mayor's Monarch Pledge Report – Kari We passed! We only needed 30 points and had 40 points. This was our 19th year certified.

3. NWF End of Year Report **due ~Dec. 15 from Dir. Dieckmann – Kari Kari filed this report.**

B. Newsletter articles due Jan. 16, 2024, covering 33rd Earth Day, Arbor Day/s; 27th Tree City USA; etc? This will be for March, April and

May.The last Saturday of March is International Earth Hour 3/30/24. Everyone is asked to turn off lights for one hour from 8:30-9:30 PM. Darcy will ask Su Ghosh to update the flyer from 2023 and to write a brief article sending it to Kari by 1/15/24 (2023 is on our page, city website). Darcy will do a brief article (Water a most precious resource flyer is on our page, city website) for World Water Day 3/22/24.

C. End of Year Accomplishments 2023 emailed to Su for photos. Will be ready sometime in January when Su returns from India.

D. Updated annual Brochure, Green Team List, & on our page – Kari, Darcy - all up to date by Dec. End, 2023. What's next for CCEAC was updated:

1. Recycling and youth engagement

2. Growing Stellar Green Youth Team (67+)

3. Conservation and sustainability opportunities

4, Promoting Chesterfield's biodiverse pollinator/conservation gardening paradigm

5. Encouraging community to add native/natural flora garden habitat areas to Chesterfield's NWF Certified Community Wildlife Habitat Certification

6. Continued grant and new project delivery

E. 33rd Annual Chesterfield Earth Day, Sat., Ap. 27, 2024, Central Park

Prof. Nes Sandoval of Taylor Geospatial Institute wants to start a lego robotic team. We networked this already.

One event per quarter.

For Sure for Earth Day: SL Compost/Walt Bressert - Kari, native Trees – Geoff W. & Kari, and Tree Guide – Kari. Donna and Makarand will contact Sue with Republic Services to see what kind of presentation will work for elementary children. Glass will be omitted in recycling because glass products are not allowed in elementary schools.

Jost Greenhouses - native wildflowers – Josts Greenhouses to be picked up; Paul will help with his truck, Remains - textiles recycling at Red Key site – Kari, Wildflower Seeds – bag & tag or not TBD; the Butterfly House considering helping

1. Red Key recycling, shredding & reciprocating partner, same day, close to park – Kari to email directional map for networking to members –

Kari. Red Key is willing to have Remains, recycling and Pedro's shredding on site. Kari will be doing the PR for the event and an article for the city newsletter.

2. Children planting seeds, in containers, with compost, & seeds/ plan –

Kari. Kari will order cups for the children to plant a few seeds to be given by us to those who have cups with compost. This will take place at Central Park.

- a. Youth planting seeds plan, compost, wildflower seeds: Bag & Tag

OR teaspoon of seeds, special cups/Kari orders – Kari. The children will use a few seeds and may take home a packet of seeds to plant. We will need to bag and tag seeds before this event. The date/time/place to 'bag and tag' is TBD.

3. Wildseed Farms catalogs distributed/ordered - Butterfly-Hummingbird and Cut Flower mixes ordered – Kari will order.

F.. November Recycling Results: Republic & Royal Oak

Yard Waste 1847.06 Cu. Yds.

Royal oak 6.75 tons recycled

Recycling 351.79 T

Trash 1033.23 T

25.4% diversion rate

26.2% av.diversion rate

V. New Business

1. Minute for the Environment – DP – Donna discussed the extreme improvements we as a Country need to make regarding plastics.

Rob Kilo will do January

2. Eberwein Farm Park, Tree Walk update – Kari no update

- a. Need for CFM David Risberg Grant this year? - Kari

3. Arbor Day/s, 4/5 and /or 4/26, Wild Horse Elementary information from Vaishali via Geoff W./city arborist – Kari. Darcy contacted Vaishali about updates for Arbor Day. Geoff Wegrzyn, per Kari, was to 'ok' Vaishali to show the principal our list of trees ordered for Earth Day 33. We have not heard from Geoff?

4. June, July, August Event/Opportunity

5. September, October, November Event/Opportunity (Fall Festival?)

VI. Announcements: Nov. and Dec. meet 3rd Thursdays due to holidays. Kari received the 3rd Parks, Rec., and Arts Reaccreditation award-CAPRA (Commission for Reaccreditation of Park and Recreation Agencies). Kari also framed our 19th National Wildlife Federation RECertification of Chesterfield's Community Wildlife Habitat Certificate!

1. Elections at January 25, 2024, meeting: Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary.
Please give your recommendations to Kari by January 18

VII. Adjournment at 7:08PM

1. Next Meeting Th., Jan. 25, 2024