



MEETING MINUTES/RESULTS

Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment

**November 21, 2019, 6:00-7:00 p.m. City Hall –
690 Chesterfield Parkway West - Room 102-103**



- I.** Call to order. Call to order at 6:00 Attendance sheet.
- A. Present: Darcy Capstick, Polly Rutherford, Jeanne Clauson, Jeanne Tevlin, Donna Pecherski, Su Ghosh, Lois Balance, Susan Mlynarczyk
 - B. Absent: Laura Houck, Gary Budoor
 - C. Staff Liaison: Tom McCarthy
- Guests: Blue Planet's GREEN Challenge Honoree, Blake Pericich (Green Trails) and family
10 min. Q & A; He explained what he did. Was most proud of things that he already does like turning off TV and lights when not using them, which saves energy. What gave him the idea? His mom, she discovered our Flyer at Earth Day. He thought it would be fun. He knows what he does will impact the future. Learning about Sustainability in school. Ongoing competition among all Parkway Elementary Schools. They log points. They get points for activities involving energy savings, recycling, composting. A picture of project efforts gives you Bonus Points. His school is in 2nd place. We encouraged him to ask friends to complete the Challenge as well. We invited him to January 21, 2020, our 1st quarterly presentation, to be honored and receive a certificate.
- Paul Travers/Friendship Village Chesterfield (5 min.) members brought reusable bags and calendars for residents at Friendship Village.
- II.** Approval of Oct. 24, 2019, 'minutes/results' - edits/vote. Susan approved, Jeanne T. 2nd
- III.** Motion to extend Meeting Time to 1 ½ hours. Vote. Discussion, End at 7:30 at the latest. Could be sooner. Unanimously accepted.
- IV. Unfinished Business**
- A. CFM D. Risberg Grant/Milkweed - integrity of grant replacements – Darcy, Dir. McCarthy: Lost all the milkweed due to weather. Jeanne C. and Darcy will decide on buying plants, get bids for best price. Will be placed at a higher/better location. 4 different kinds of milkweed. Central Park/Amphitheater – when we pull honeysuckle, possibly plant milkweed the same day/event, but not at the same place. Will use a plugger so should go quickly. Planted where there is irrigation. Steve Jarvis will be there to help and direct.
 - B. Updates for EOY 2018 – Dir. McCarthy, EOY 2019 – Su, Darcy: Su and Darcy are developing the 2019 EOY which they'll have done by end of year. Tom will try for 2018 EOY also.
 - C. MFDU update – Lois, Donna: More info after January. Questions from our Committee were sent to Republic. They will address this situation at the Quarterly Presentation. Discussion as to whether we should include the commercial aspect at this presentation when we have enough residential problems. New MFDU's need to provide recycling opportunities. Enough space for Recycling must be provided. Ordinances from Chesterfield – Questions raised: new MFDU's must implement from what year ?? Who follows through on the ordinance? Should be planning commission. Same problem with trees that die. Once they're pulled out, new ones don't go in. **Tom will talk to Justin Wise at Planning (Director).** Tom will bring the current ordinance language to the next meeting.
 - D. NWF National Telecon. 10/22 update. Next call 12/10/19. – Darcy: 233 registered/certified communities. Pfizer has 10 acres they'd like to use for NWH. /Monarch Joint Venture with NWF.
 - E. Quarterly city newsletter articles due *when* for 2, 3, 4/2020 - Dir. McCarthy: January 15th, 2020 is deadline for next newsletter.
 - F. 11/2 Review: bags, cars, volume report, layout – Dir. McCarthy and all: over 588 cars. Spread sheet of Recycle Day was shown. Numbers were mostly up from previous years. Very good response.
 - G. 12/19/19 Green Potluck update – Polly, Laura: The sheet was passed around for those who had not signed up.
 - H. Review some updates for CCEAC Brochure; one for each member to edit for next meeting – Darcy: Brochures passed around. City will have new website in a month or two. If things aren't being looked at, they may be taken off the website. Tom thinks we may be spending too much time on updating flyers and brochures and they are not being reviewed/looked at on the city's website. Su asked that an electronic archive be created by the city. Darcy asked that Tom let us know what will be deleted so we can be sure we have a copy. We will see a Hit List before deleted.

V. Action Items Updates

A. Oldest Living Tree verbiage in order to get bid for plaque from Eagle Scout Jonah Yates' project.- Dir. McCarthy, Darcy: Tom reached out to Jonah but he has not heard anything back from him. Jeanne will ask a trustee for information and she'll pass it on to Tom.

B. Blue Planet's GREEN Challenge standards, updates, site on our page – Su, Jeanne T., Darcy: JT said she had a hard time finding it. Many links to get there. Even a search wouldn't pull it up. This may be improved with the web update. It is not user friendly. Google Medi tags need to be updated by city. Jeanne T will add a few requirements(boxes) on the Challenge to make it a little harder for the next candidate. **She will bring this list to our December meeting.**

C. Flyers updates: Signature Garden Flyer – Darcy: Kari will work on in November. Jeanne T suggested putting in under “umbrella” of Garden Kits. Donna P suggested coming up with a new name since Signature Garden is outdated. Possibly “Commuter Garden” or wildlife commuter garden, which may cause confusion.

International Earth Hour,

Plastic Bags and debris/decomp ‘piece’ - Su: Plastic bag page should be before the decomp page. Tom suggested adding logo and adding website info. Final decision on copy tabled to next month. Donna would like utensils added, but the flyer was complete as is, from working group.

What and Where/House Hold Hazardous W + new panel – Donna:

Water - a most precious resource – needs updating. Susan will be updating it. It's a 4-page flyer and Susan would like to shorten it.

D. *Dates* for the rest of 2020 quarterly seminars (all on Tuesdays, 7 – 8 PM at City Hall): Tom suggested every Tuesday may be a conflict, and this will be looked at again.

1. 4/?/20 - NWF Gardening for Wildlife, our tabletop, Pfizer tabletop: Tom says he will bring in a professional speaker. Perhaps Mo Bot, Conservation Dept. Tom will show the NWF slides in background (on the wall) before meeting and after meeting. Specific on what individuals and families can do. We will have our tabletop and Pfizer's.
2. 6/9 OR 16/20 - Bob Lee, Master Gardener Monarch/Pollinator Network – Dir. McCarthy: Bob Lee retired. It will be Tom Holt. Bob will help him. Date will be changed to Wednesday's. **Tom is organizing this quarterly presentation.**
3. 10/?/20 - October is Energy Awareness Month, panel potential – Polly, Susan: Polly spoke with Adam Rustige, Energy Engineer, CEM Automatic Controls Equipment Specialist. He would be able to lead a panel about energy awareness around the home. **Tom will call him.**

E and Forward will be at the beginning of our agenda next month. Meeting was extended another 15 minutes.

ADJOURNMENT : 7:45

E. 1/21/20 Republic's “Recycling Then and Now,” Joell Aguirre, Republic Manager. Minimum # attendees, ‘drop dead date,’ Dir. McCarthy. Our Ed. Table – Donna, JC. Republic's table – Darcy. Our posters on easels? Left-over recycled shopping bags – inserts?

F. 4/25/20 Chesterfield's 29th Annual Earth Day Plan – re/cycling; butterfly garden kits, 4 Partners (Pfizer, Butterfly House, Republic, Forget-Me-Nots); recycled shopping bags - Polly, Dir. McCarthy, Darcy

G. Spring 2020 IBHoneysuckle – date, time, place – Jeanne T., Dir. McCarthy

H. Banner Bag sample – Darcy

I. Spring 2020 Ed. Tabletops: 3/2 - 13/20, 3/16 - 26/20, and 3/30 - 4/10/20 at City Hall first, then YMCA, and then Library. Vote. Have to verify with each site. - Donna, Darcy, Dir. McCarthy.

J. Recycling – Quarterly Review on Screen – Dir. McCarthy. Royal Oak: 5.325 tons. Republic: Y 770 yds., R 364.33 tons, T 942.76 tons; note averages.

K. Photographs reviewed on Screen: 10/5, 10/19, Ed. Tables Spring & Fall, and 11/2 - Dir. McCarthy.

VI. Unfinished Business – Jeanne T. **BANNER BAGS need to be followed up on.**

VII. Unfinished Working Group Action/s - Donna P. **Donna asked that working groups send her emails to report upon if not updated during this meeting.**

VIII. New Business: 3/20 National Wildlife Week, Habitat for Humanity builds to USGBC/LEED Platinum level standards now, 1 out of 4 birds now gone since 1970. Other.

***** 2020 Annual Events, Working Groups, Ward Membership List*****

2020 Annual Events

1/21/20 “Recycling Then and Now”
3/?/20 Ed. Tables at City Hall, Y, Library
3/28/20 International Earth Hour
4/25/20 29th Annual Chesterfield Earth Day
4/?/20 NWF Garden For Wildlife
Spring 2020 IBHoneysuckle Central Park
6/ 9 OR 16/20 Bob Lee Master Gardener
Monarch/Pollinator Network
10/?/20 Ed. Tables at City Hall, Y, Library
10/?/20 October is Energy Awareness Month
10/3/20 IBH Faust Park
11/7/20 24th Chesterfield/MO/America Recycles

Working Groups

IBH – Jeanne T.
MFDU – Lois, Donna, Jeanne T.
Events – Su, Donna, JT
Compost – Laura, Kari, Darcy
Community Education Connection
Ed. Tables – Donna, Jeanne C., Su, Darcy
Garden – Laura, Jeanne C., Darcy
National Wildlife Federation (NWF) - Darcy

Utilities – not active
Computer – not active

Ward Volunteers Need

I. 0	4
II. 2	2
III. 4	0 {+ 1 At Large + 1 Emeritus}
IV. 3	1

Next Meeting: December 19, 2019, 6:00 p.m., City Hall

The Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment will consider and act upon the matters listed above, and such other matters as may be presented at the meeting and determined to be appropriate for discussion at that time. PERSONS REQUIRING AN ACCOMMODATION TO ATTEND THE MEETING SHOULD CONTACT Ann-Marie Stagoski at (636) 812-9501, AT LEAST TWO (2) WORKDAYS PRIOR TO THE MEETING.