

MEETING MINUTES
Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment
October 28, 2010, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, Room # 102-3

Committee Attendees: Darcy Capstick, Jeanne Clauson, Donna Pecherski, Terry Grogan, Polly Rutherford, Jeff Chapple, Debbie Harrison, Ken Denson

Committee Absentees: Scott Soucek

Liaison Attendees: Libbey Tucker, Mike Geisel

Visitors: Emily Wilson

***Note:** All agenda items were discussed; necessary outcomes/actions noted. The separately delivered Project Updates and Literature/References are incorporated by reference into these minutes.*

I. Call to Order/Agenda – Darcy. (6:36)

- A. Sign-in Attendance.
- B. Visitors Introductions: Emily Wilson, Parkway School District Student Liaison and ~~Hayden Morgan, Rockwood School District Student Liaison.~~ **not present**
- C. Handouts: City Newsletter Articles, 14th Chesterfield/Missouri/America Recycles Day Event Flyer, updated copies of Stellar Green Youth Team Flyer & NWF National Telecon. Minutes of 9/30/10.
- D. Sign-up Sheet for 11/13 Event.
- E. Announcements. ***City of Hazelwood plans to organize a Recycles Day event in June 2011, modeled after the upcoming November Chesterfield event***
- F. Approval of Minutes – Ken. ***Minutes for July meeting approved as recorded. Minutes of August meeting approved with one correction (NWF signage to go at the Chesterfield Valley Athletic Center, rather than City Park)***

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

- A. Presenter: Mike Geisel, Director of Planning & Public Works: Chesterfield’s Amphitheatre and Surrounding Trails-Capital Projects Update. (Ap. 20 minutes) ***Mr. Geisel provided an engrossing overview, with photos, drawings, and diagrams of the many enhancements planned around City Park, especially the amphitheatre.***
- B. Report on St. Louis Community College – Wildwood “1-2-3 Go Green” Event on Oct. 16 –Report: Donna, Jeanne, Ken, Darcy. ***30 vendors participated, with an estimated 300 visitors. The organizers were very pleased. (Vendors were charged \$40 for spaces.)***
- C. Parks & Recreation Citizens Advisory Council Report from 10/9 – Darcy.
- D. Parks Report from 9/14 – Jeanne, Donna, Darcy. ***Parks Committee members took copies of the CCE Brochure and Annual Recycle Drive flyers for distributing.***
- E. October Energy Awareness Month/tabletop Report – Donna.
- F. Dates for 2011 Annual Recycle Drives – Darcy. ***Proposal for: April 15-25 Aug 12-22 Oct 21-31; unanimously approved by the Committee***
- G. Conservation Federation of Missouri Grant Report: Pollinators/Produce/People/Plants/Natural World Systems - Darcy. ***City Staff has met about the grant opportunity. Looking at plants to support pollinators. Mindy Mohrman working on cost estimation; expected complete by Christmas.***
- H. America/Missouri/Chesterfield Recycles Day Event – Sat., Nov. 13, 9 AM – NOON, CVAC Maintenance; Set-up 8:30 AM; email Layout/Traffic Flow Map

and Flyer to partners;– Darcy. ***Committee members will just be there to direct traffic, assist with drop off collections, and hand out information on why we recycle.***

1. Event materials: signs, banner, pencils/pens - Donna.
- I. October Annual Recycle Drive/Multi-Family Dwelling Unit Letter Report – Jeff. ***Jeff displayed a picture of one of the recycle units. Darcy thanked him for the letter, which was well received.***
- J. Chesterfield's 20th Annual Earth Day, Sat., Ap. 16, 2011, Central Park
 1. Trees and woody shrubs – Jeanne. ***Suggested choices: Spice Bush, Buttonbush, Dogwood, Redbud, Sassafras, Short-leaf Pine, Ninebark, Elderberry. Most available in groups of 25.***
 2. E-blast invites, etc. in January. ***Libbey will E-blast to vendors. Any additional vendor suggestions should be given to Libbey.***
 3. Tenting, booth fee, application process, etc.; discussion next meeting; ***please do background homework for ideas.***
<http://www.stlouiseearthday.org/>
- K. December Light Supper Coordinator – Darcy. ***Polly Rutherford will coordinate***
- L. Literature Reference List – Is it useful? Continue preparing? – Darcy ***Not currently being viewed regularly by Committee members. It is useful information, so Darcy will target it to specific members.***
- M. Other.
 1. ***November and December meetings are on 3rd Thursday, due to holidays.***
 2. ***Polly alerted Committee to contest by Wild Ones – with Grow Native. Can win \$1000 worth of landscaping design and plants. Ed Schmitt wants to come to our January 2011 meeting and to Earth Day 2011.***
 3. ***Emily Wilson suggested a teach/educate table top exhibit for Earth Day on proper lawn maintenance, eliminating chemical pesticides, and alerting to chemical runoff from lawns. Committee liked the idea and suggested she work on information for November CCE meeting. Members suggested she contact the following organizations: American Cancer Society, St. Louis Soil & Conservation District, Go Green, Lawn Masters, and Wild Ones.***
 4. ***Information was presented that described Missouri as the elderberry epicenter of the planet.***

III. Calendar

"Clean Out Your Home for the Holidays" Annual Recycle Drive at Dierbergs Market Place, Oct. 23 – 31 (Jeff C.)

*Sat., Nov. 13, 9 AM – NOON, America/Missouri/Chesterfield Recycles Day, CVAC Maintenance Facility (17891 N. Outer 40 Road): WITS, Cintas, Remains (textiles/shoes), A/W Cardboard & Single Stream, Home Depo (plant pots/trays & all 3 types of burned-out light bulbs), CAPY medicines take-back.

- IV. **Next Meeting:** Thursday (**THIRD THURSDAY**), November 18, 2010, 6:30 PM, City Hall – Room #102/3.

(Adjourned 8:00 PM)