



MEETING MINUTES/RESULTS

Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee

**October 24, 2019, 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. City Hall –
690 Chesterfield Parkway West - Room 102-103**



I. Call to order. Attendance sheet. Called to order 6:00 p.m.

- A. Present: Darcy Capstick, Polly Rutherford, Jeanne Clauson, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Tevlin, Su Ghosh, Susan Mlynarczyk, Laura Houck, Lois Balance
- B. Absent: Gary Budoor
- C. Staff Liaison: Tom McCarthy

Announcements:

- 1. **Compost Slide Show** for adults & children, can be found on our CCE page on city's website.
 - * 2. **New Member Susan Mlynarczyk, Ward 3 WELCOME**
 - 3. **NWF Bus Tour Presentation.** Passed around and on our page on website. Go to - Green panel - NWF presentation.
 - 4. **Millennium Green Heritage Project.** One of the oldest living trees fell last year, but it continues to be a part of the Claymont Woods neighborhood and our city. The tree was cut up and made into benches by Boy Scout, Jonah Yates. There are 2 benches on the ball field, 2 in the area where the tree fell, and 1 on the nearby trail. Jeanne C suggested we pay for a plaque to put on bench. All agreed. Darcy wants article for City Newsletter written by Jonah or Courtney (City Staff). Tom will follow up with him. We need a plaque design first, so we can get a bid.
 - 5. Pfizer – 40 employees on Green Team. Earth Day volunteers. Want to rehab their property and want us to give them contacts and resources to follow up with.
- Republic:** Y 642 yds, R 349.45 T, T 915.89 T; **Royal Oak:** 8.845 T
{ Spreadsheet Nov. }.

II. September 26, 2019 Meeting Results. Edits. Vote Laura approved, Lois 2nd.

III. 9/26 Blue Planet's GREEN Challenge – Blake Pericich – Vote. When to honor? Jeanne T., Su, Darcy 11-year-old, 5th grader. He will be invited to our November 21 CCE meeting. The committee will decide on a few questions to ask Blake and his mom will be given the list of questions. Su will get the questions together. Jeanne T suggested we add more requirements to the questionnaire, for the future, such as the number of boxes required to be checked off. This will be discussed further. Blake will be presented a certificate signed by the Mayor at our first Quarterly Presentation in January. On our website, the BPGC can be found under Good Neighbor Pledge.

IV. 10/2019:

- 10/5: YMCA Butterfly Garden** – review, photos, release form – Donna, Darcy, Dir. McCarthy: All photos were emailed to Dir. McCarthy which could not be viewed via his laptop at the meeting. Chris Hartley helped plant. Donna Pecherski helped a lot with rock painting.
- 10/10 - 24: Library Ed. Tabletop** – review, photos - Donna, Jeanne C. - Lots of participation. Many flyers gone. Once again, Photos could not be viewed at the meeting.
- 10/19: IB Honeysuckle Eradication at Faust Park** – review, photos, release form-Darcy, Dir. McCarthy
The picture was shown of the large group at Faust Park on the 19th. Only Tom and Darcy from CCE were present. Tom suggested we try harder to get more CCE members to attend these events. (We agreed that normally our committee is much better represented). We have openings on CCE. Ward 1 has no representatives. Tom suggested that the Council members need to reach out to their constituents.

V. 11/2 - 23rd Chesterfield/MO/America Recycles – 9 – Noon; volunteers 8:30 a.m. to tent, E-note for youth, 225 cloth bags (including banners bags update), layout, volunteer parking, THE GRID review – Su, Darcy, Dir. McCarthy. Volunteers should park in the Sears area, same lay out as last year. Kim Montgomery for GS, Terry Grogan for BS. We decided that some leftover bags can be given to vendors. Additional extra bags can also be given out at our Quarterly Presentations. There was discussion that Charity Sharity should be given our old banners to make them into cloth bags. A sample banner shopping bag will be dropped off soon. All volunteers need to bring their own reusable bottles. **Plastic water bottles will not be given out along with the lunch provided by the city this year.**

VI. **Flyers:** Signature Gardens – T Nov.-Darcy; Community Gardens: Why Should I care – T Nov.; 4 P's Make Chesterfield A Better Place – Dir. McCarthy Updated and on City's website; Int'l. Earth Hour, Plastic Bags, debris/decomp 'piece' - Su. Su, Donna, JC and Polly discussed points and recommendations via email. Su read our suggestions. Will discuss more at next meeting.

VII. 12/19/19 Meeting: Plan. **GREEN** Potluck? Polly & Laura H will plan the light dinner potluck. Please bring 2020 calendars and reusable shopping bags for Paul Travers. -

Meeting time voted to extend to 7:15 for tonight. Perhaps will be extended every meeting in the future. Will discuss next meeting.

VIII. 2020:

***1/21/20** - Recycling Presentation, Joell Aguirre, Republic Manager; asked for 'end products' made from 'our' recyclables and 'where' do 'our' recyclables go. City Hall, 7 – 8 p.m. RSVP's and Drop-Dead decision managed by Dir. McCarthy – Donna, Darcy, Dir. McCarthy.

***4/25/20** - 29th Annual Chesterfield Earth Day/50th Earth Day Birthday. Chesterfield Mall, Butterfly Garden Kits, Tree Guide, NOON Conservation Honors Who (Blake Pericich, Pfizer,), recycling - JC, Su, Darcy

There was discussion and a decision NOT to not have the noon honor awards. These honors can be awarded at the Quarterly Presentations. As discussed, Blake's award will be in January. May have very little as far as indoors. No crafters to sell stuff. They haven't made much money in past. Plan on still having the free giveaways from CCEAC and community partners. Partners planning on helping are: Pfizer, Forget-Me-Nots Federated Garden Club (Better Butterfly Garden Kits), Butterfly House/MBG, and Republic.

***Quarterly Presentations** – Polly, Darcy, Dir. McCarthy

~4/?/20 - NWF Slide Show **"Gardening for Wildlife"** - ed. Tabletop, Pfizer Green Chemistry table, date? Has Dir. McCarthy 'saved' this PowerPoint? - discuss - Darcy

~6, 7, or 8/2020 - **Monarch/Pollinator Network** – **Bob Lee, Master Gardener** – choose a Tuesday and let him know/VOTE - discuss. Darcy Tom will check for June 9th or 16th.

~10/?/20 - **October is Energy Awareness Month**– Roeslein Alternative Energy/Brandon Butler?, and/or other utilities? Vote. Darcy. There was much discussion regarding the pros and cons of inviting Roeslein Alternative Energy for October's Presentation. Since Roeslein (RAE) converts energy gathered from manure/methane on CAFO's (Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations or Factory Farms) and these are known for their water and air quality violations and overall pollution, it was decided that although converting this methane to the energy grid is something that should be done, it might not be a good fit with our environmental committee.

We are going to look towards other alternative energy resources or perhaps a panel discussion for home energy savings and energy audits. Polly will inquire with her friend, Adam Rustige, CEM, Energy Engineer at Automatic Controls Equipment Systems, Inc. He may have suggestions and resources that would be helpful for CCE to consider.

***SPRING 2020 – Invasive Bush Honeysuckle Eradication Central Park/Amphitheater** - when, time – JT, Darcy, Dir. McCarthy

ADJOURNMENT: 7:16 ALL ITEMS BELOW WERE TABLED TO BEGINNING OF NOVEMBER MEETING

IX. CFM Milkweed Grant – some replacements for integrity of grant – area – Darcy, Dir. McCarthy

X. End Of Year Accomplishments – 2018 – Dir. McCarthy
2019 – Su, Darcy

XI. Unfinished Business – JT

XII. New Business – updating CCEAC brochure – Darcy

XIII. Adjournment:7:16

Next Meeting: November 21, 2019 (Holiday Schedule) 6:00 p.m., City Hall

The Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee 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.