

MINUTES

Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment

July 26, 2018, 6:15 p.m.

City Hall - 690 Chesterfield Parkway West - Room 102-103

Mission Statement: Conservation of native, natural, and energy resources education

- I. Call to order. Attendance sheet. Excused absences. Call to order was at 6:17.**
 - A. Present: Polly Rutherford, Laura Houck, Su Ghosh, Paul Travers, Gary Budoor**
 - B. City's Rep's Present: Tom McCarthy, Mary Klauke**
 - C. Guest: Andi Rand (possible new member Ward 1), Lois Ballance (Ward 4)**
 - D. Absent: Jeanne Clauson, Darcy Capstick, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Tevlin, Terry Grogan, Ram Kurapati, Ben Keathley**
- II. Approval of June 28, 2018 minutes, Laura Houck motioned to approve, Polly seconded**
- III. St. Louis County Grant**
 - A. Current grant information: Article in West News Magazine. Grant includes bins, compost bucket bins, classes for residents and schools**
 - B. Committee members information table at concert on July 28 (6:15pm) Weather looks good finally! Recycling has skyrocketed.**
 - C. now we are using huge roll offs, one inside enclosure and also another one to hold all the recyclables. Tom will announce grant and instructions, on stage. CCE will have a table to hand out brochures and give info. John Gruender from Parks, and Ben K are signed up. Laura volunteered and Andi Rand volunteered to help.**
- IV. St. Louis County Health Department 2019 Grant proposal - Residents will sign up starting in December city newsletter. There will be a \$25 buy in fee and sign ups will start when the newsletter comes out. CCE members can be trial members and sign up online or in person first. Pick up will be arranged later – possibly at Parks Dept on certain pick up days. Educational materials will be given out at same time.**
- V. Park Master Plan Survey: Survey is online, city website, left column, Parks Master Plan Survey. We need 2500 to fill it out and only 100 so far. Also a link on the Parks App. Statistical survey will come out around September or October.**
- VI. NWF Application- Recertified: Mary and Tom filled out application. They sent us recertification.**
- VII. Republic: Republic Yard Waste, Trash, Recycling -The numbers were not in yet. Royal Oak: 10490 tons from Royal Oak for June
Trash numbers for residential are trending much higher than we would like.
Discussion as to whether to redo the “One pound more campaign”, discussion to get apartment complexes on board. Su proposes that we need to do something about this problem. It will be further discussed at next meeting.**
- VIII. Scout Event on July 24, 4:45-7:30pm (Terry) Information was copied for Terry's event. He was not here to give us an update.**

IX. Sharity Charity: This is really a huge company. It's a National company. CCE and Parks will no longer be a collection point. We will be a middle man and tell them where to drop them off. We can be a contact and help Charity Sharity connect to receivers. We will deliver only the Bears and Blankets that we presently have on hand. Su G. motioned to discontinue getting just Bears and Blankets from C.S. We will keep our connection with them. Laura H. seconded the motion.

X. Dates

- **Honey Suckle Removal Date for late Fall at Conway Cemetery: No date yet, Tom has not been able to reach anyone. Possibly it will be October 20th or 27th. We need to check with Terry for Scouts.**
- **YMCA planting? Denise from YMCA wants to continue the garden. Denise said that they have people who maintain it. But nothing survived from the last planting. We don't want to put more time, labor and money into it, if the garden won't be maintained. Chris Hartley will check into it further.**
- **Table top dates? Tom called Darcy Capstick and she will get back to us with dates.**
- **Signature Garden Challenge? Only one application, The Rosenberg's. So this will be discontinued.**
- **Council dates for Blue Planet Green Challenge - Oct 15 City Council mtg**
- **Council date for Stellar Green Youth Team - Nov 5th City Council mtg**
- **Volunteer dates for Park Master Plan Survey: Family fun day August 11th – need 4 volunteers - Time is 12:00 to 2:00**

XI. Old business November 3rd is our Recycling for Fall and it will be at the Mall.

XII. New business: Su was going to contact Monsanto about growing Milkweed plants from seeds, and Butterfly Weed. ; the new St. Louis Children's Hospital about their wishes for Bears and Blankets, and the young man (possible new recruit from Earth Day) about what his interests may be in volunteering with CCE or Parks.

Tom suggested getting 1 or 2 students from each HS to be on our committee.

XIII. Adjournment: 7:25

Next Meeting: August 23, 2018, 6:15 P.M., City Hall