

Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment

June 22, 2017, 6:30 p.m.

City Hall, rooms 102-3

Minutes from Meeting

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

All agenda items were discussed; necessary outcomes/actions are noted.

I. Call to Order

A. Meeting was called to order at 6:35 pm.

B. Present: Darcy Capstick, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Tevlin, Paul Travers, Terry Grogan, Laura Houck, Gary Budor, Su Ghosh

City Staff Liaisons: Tom McCarthy, Mary Klauke

Guests: Dr. Clarice Hutchens, Dr. Greg Anderson

Absent: Jeanne Clauson, Polly Rutherford, Ben Keathley

II. Approval of May 25th minutes

A. Minutes from May 25 were reviewed, Donna made a motion to approve, Terry seconded it. The minutes were approved as written.

III. Presenter: Chesterfield resident, Dr. Greg Anderson, Professor of Biology at Lindenwood University, presented a Powerpoint, "The Sustainability and Counterfeit Biodiversity at Lindenwood University". He highlighted the successes from the effort, initiated by Lindenwood students in 2013, to increase recycling and make changes improving Lindenwood's overall sustainability.

IV. Agenda

A. Announcements: Laura Houck, Jeanne Clauson, Polly Rutherford and Darcy Capstick have agreed to serve for the next two years.

B. We passed a card around for Polly and everyone signed it.

C. Darcy reminded the committee we are focusing more on fresh water. Since our CFM recommendation of last year, Chesterfield's Caulks Creek and Bonhomme Creek were incorporated into this year's update of WATER AMP Resource by Bob E. for our Earth Day 2017.

D. YMCA butterfly garden flowers are blooming!

V. Council Liaison: It is official, Ben Keathley is our Council Liaison.

VI. Thank you's to: Su Ghosh for accepting the Vice Chair position, and to Polly Rutherford and Jeanne Tevlin for sharing the job of taking the minutes as CCE'S Scribes.

VII. PORTAL:

☐ Republic year-to-date

☐ Royal Oak Recycling (5/17- 11,857 tons)

☐ 2017's Demo. Garden Make-Over Gift;

☐ CCE Brochure 4/17 (N)

☐ Monarch/Pollinator Nexus List & Certificate {Develop into Flyer – WHO?}

☐ WATER A Most Precious Resource 4/17 (N)

☐ Buying Recycled Means Closing the Loop (N)

☐ Chesterfield What and Where to Recycle Guide Flyer (N)

☐ CVAC Coaches Flyer(N)

☐ Republic's Duplexed Side for R's All-in-One Flyer(N)

☐ Joint DRAFT Letter to NWF & CAPRA for more holistic and unified
Community and Parks
Measurements for Higher Sustainability-Centered Designs 5/14/17;

☐ New Letterhead

☐ "Boom Times for Clean Energy Jobs," p. 14+, Environmental Defense
Fund, Spring '17;

☐ "Amazing Ruddbeckia," p. 22+, "Roll Out The Welcome Mat for Birds,"
p. 64+,

☐ Garden Gate , 8/17; "How Do You Save a Species? Save Its Habitat,"
p. 6, "The Day the
Sun Disappears," p. 10,

☐ "Vital Wetlands Saved from Proposed Levee," p. 44,

☐ National Wildlife, 7/17; "Worldview (18 major river basins in
contiguous U.S.) POSTER?,
p. 7,

☐ "Water Makes the World Go Round," p., 10, "How A Water Fund
Works," p. 50+,

☐ Nature Conservancy , Summer '17; "Recycled Products," p. 50,

☐ Resource Recycling , 5/17; NWF Call Notes 6/13/17.

A. Darcy requested that a link to the Portal be included in the cover email to CCE members with the next meeting's agenda and minutes because members cannot use the Portal without the link.

VIII. Portal usage numbers and review

A. It was decided that we will go over how to access the Portal next meeting because several members are having trouble with it. The purpose of the Portal and how it serves CCE members will be reviewed.

B. In the future, Tom asked that we keep track of how often we access and use the information on the portal. Its purpose needs clarification.

C. Darcy announced that items will be removed from the portal for next meeting.

IX. HANDOUTS:

A. IBH Brochure,

B. City's Green Initiatives Brochure: We did not receive this brochure.

C. MDOC's Fresh Water Mussels. Some reading handouts.

X. "Sustainability by Design" Projects.

A. SLCD OHWM Group Pilot Project Grant – Tom, Darcy, Su G., Jeanne T.

1. Republic's volume from 6/3 and 6/17 Amphitheater: These numbers were not available. Next dates: 7/17 and if rain 8/12.

2. City newsletter announcement article probably in August.
3. Mr. Herring's article for next City newsletter: recyclables from bathroom area update due 7/15/17. Darcy reminded us that the due date to submit items for the newsletter has been changed to 7/5/17, and is not 7/15/17.

4. Mr. Herring's update for "All-in-One" Recycle Flyer, second side for 'concessions recyclables.' (Portal Placement and PDF for CCE Education Tables.): No update

5. "Coaching the Coaches" CVAC Flyer – Tom, Jeanne T.

A. The flyer will be ready for use by the next meeting.

B. New Letterhead–Tom McCarthy

1. A suggestion was made to reverse the placement of the two logos.

C. PRACAC 6/10/17 – Council members Ben Keathley, Tom, Darcy.

1. Meeting notes.

2. Farmers' Market, etc., Parties Off the Parkway, Th., Jul.6: Plans have been made for the CCE to have a table, brochures, and have members "man" the table from 4 - 8 pm. It has been decided that we will focus on one topic a month, and this month our topic is "proper recycling".
3. We will ask Charity Sharity if they can make cloth bags in 2018, especially since adding Parties Off the Parkway to the events we would like to hand them out.

D. NWF – Darcy

1. NWF National Telecom. 6/13/17. Review; no call notes to date.

Darcy updated us about the national NWF telecom in which individuals from 21 states participated. A new topic she raised was using institutions of higher learning for help building sustainability teams in Chesterfield.

2. NWF Fiscal Report due 7/31/17 update. Tom and Darcy will meet to complete in July.

3. Fifty percent more NWF habitat certifications were made in May of 2017 than were made in May of 2016.

E. Annual Family Native Gardening GrowOff – Jeanne C., Darcy.

1. TBDone by Jeanne C., Jeanne T., Su G., Donna P: date is set 6/28/17.

F. Education Tabletops – Donna, Jeanne C., Su, Darcy

1. Donna picked up copies of the brochure "Clean Water" form MSD and "Water Makes the World Go Round" from Nature Conservancy for our archives.

2. Tom said he would print pg. 7 from World View, "The Reach of Rivers" depicting major water sheds in the contiguous US.
3. Tabletop at Library ok'd: up W. 9/13 and down W. 9/27.
4. October 2 – 6 pm at the YMCA: sustainable gardening.
5. Sat., Oct. 7 planting the metamorphosing native flora for butterflies/pollinators garden already there. Chris Hartley presenting during week. Review more in July.

G. Bears, Blankets, cloth sleeves – update – Darcy, Donna, Tom

1. Letter of Introduction or follow up for Tom's friend. Tom updated our matrix: 128 went to St. Lukes and 4 went to Wydon Nursing Home.
2. Table label for cloth sleeves DRAFT - Donna
3. Darcy was considering asking Jim Brown if he would be a Bear Manager, but he was not present.

H. 27th Annual Earth Day, April 28, 2018. Indoors/outdoors.

1. Electronic Thank you letters to re/recyclers on new letterhead: Nov. 4.
2. Dr. Anderson accepted an invitation on behalf of himself and the

sustainability team at Lindenwood University to attend Earth Day and our October 21st invasive Bush honeysuckle eradication work day.

3. Monarch/Pollinator Nexus development into a flyer/brochure? Tom will get GPS locations to develop a Virtual Monarch /Pollinator Nexus Tour Brochure.

I. White House Millennium Green Partnership, Oldest Living Tree in Chesterfield - Darcy, Paul, Su

1. Plan for meet-up at the Am. Horse Chestnut/Buckeye (?) to ascertain what it is and if our guess/estimate of its age is appropriate.

2. Darcy shared the article from the West Magazine about the loss of one of Chesterfield's oldest trees from this project from the year 2000.

J. July 5, Quarterly City Newsletter Articles Due:

1. This has been changed from July 15;

2. Nov. 4, Oct. 7 & 21, Grant Announcement, Recycle Flyers which will have been updated need to go to Tom and Lisa.

K. Green Team Emblems –

1. Need to order more.

2. Two New Honorees (#61 & 2) to be discussed in July.

3. Need bids/design graphic + verbiage. Cost factors. – Darcy, Su, Tom. Hold for further discussion.

L. Other.

1. The meeting time will be changed from 6:30 pm to 6:15 pm and we will try to limit our meetings to one and a half hours.

2. Tom requested that we think about possible speakers for a new speaker series.

3. We will discuss Future Invasive Bush Honeyuckle Removal sights in our parks at a later date.

4. Chris Hartley is our NWF CHPartner Lead for our 10/7 event at the YMCA and will coordinate the types of flora with DJM Ecological Services, who is donating 3 trays.

XI. Calendar:

*National Pollinators' Week 6/19-25/17;

*Possible tabletop/bag of handouts Parties Off The Parkway 7/6; *Library tabletop: 9/1 -27* October tabletop: 10/2-6, Plant 10/7 ; * Invasive Bush Honeyuckle,

Faust Park

XII. Next Meeting: July 27, 2017, 6:15 P.M., City Hall – Regular Rooms 102-3.

David Berger, Executive Director of St. Louis-Jefferson Solid Waste Management District, Presenter.

XIII. Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.