

MEETING MINUTES
Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment
May 27, 2010, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, Room # 102-3

Committee Attendees: Darcy Capstick, Jeanne Clauson, Donna Pecherski, Terry Grogan, Scott Soucek, Debbie Harrison, Ben Keathley, Ken Denson

Committee Absentees: Polly Rutherford, Ted Slap, Jeff Chapple

Liaison Attendees: Libbey Malberg, Sarah Cantlon, City Council Member Lee Erickson

Visitors: Gary Gilliam, Julie Hudson, Heather Tomko

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. (6:32 PM)

- A. Sign-in. Presenter(s) next month. Recognition of visitors: Messrs. Veenstra's; others. Handouts: City Newsletter Articles for 6, 7, 8/10; view Watershed Stewardship Award; other.
- B. Approval of Minutes – Ken. ***Minutes from the Feb. and March 2010 meetings were approved.***

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

- A. Review of Earth Day/Outcomes/Plans for 2011-Sarah, Libbey, All ***Sarah presented results of surveys and other data on the new Earth Day format. Extended discussion about what worked and what didn't, appropriateness of expanded hours, food/beverages, items for sale, etc.***
- B. Vote to support: Potential grant opportunity from Solid Waste Mgmt District & Allied Waste for concrete pads for multi-family/commercial containers. - Darcy. ***Discussion including Gary Gilliam of Resource Management discussed activities around expanding recycling to multifamily dwelling units and other businesses. Will look for opportunities for the City and Committee to provide support to both Resource Management and Allied Waste in efforts to expand into those additional markets.***
- C. CCE Web Page and Communication Mechanisms – Libbey. ***City does not currently support Committees using Facebook for communicating their activities. City provides support via website and E-mail listserve. Web pages on City website is intended for information on committee activities; can provide links to up to 5 external websites of outside groups.***
- D. Discuss Creation of Sustainable Business Practices Questionnaire/Survey; – Ted, Darcy. ***Ted Slap will not be seeking re-appointment to the Committee in July. Scott Soucek and Ben Keathley volunteered to work with Ted on work he had done to date. There was additional discussion of the uses and viability of the proposed survey/database.***
- E. Vote to add International Compost Awareness Week (was May 2-8) to CCE Brochure – Darcy. ***Due to limited space in brochure, activities listed need to be limited to specifically activities involving the Committee, so will not add this item to the brochure.***
- F. Update on Presentation of National Arbor Day Proclamation – Libbey ***Proclamation has been posted at City Public Works Department.***

- G. Update on City Sustainable Practices – Libbey *Will E-mail a copy of the report to Committee members. There was a suggestion that the information be publicized more broadly.*
- H. Consideration of 51st Green Team member – Darcy. *Committee members approved Green Team award for the New Horizons Chapter, Order of the Arrow, Boy Scouts of America. Recommendation was to present the award at the second City Council meeting of August 2010.*
- I. Promotion of National Pollinators Week (June 21-27) Web site, table top displays, etc - Darcy
- J. Other. *The City of Fenton is considering becoming a certified Wildlife Community Habitat with the National Wildlife Federation, and the Committee was asked to mentor them on the process. Plan is for Dr. Tim Keane of the St. Louis University Center for Sustainability to attend the September meeting of the Committee.*

III. Calendar

- *July Honor Reception for Stellar Green Youth – or letters with certificates.
- *August ‘Back to School’ Annual Recycle Drive, 8/14-22/10, Dierbergs Marketplace Place (Jeff C.).
- *October – Energy Awareness Month – tabletop to be discussed.
- *Sat., Oct. 16, Sustainability Day at SLCC – Wildwood Campus; tabletop.

IV. Next Meeting: Thursday, June 24, 2010, 6:30 PM, City Hall – Room #102/3. **(Adjourned 8:27 PM)**