

MEETING MINUTES
Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment
May 23, 2013, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, Rooms #101-2

Committee Attendees: Darcy Capstick, Scott Soucek, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Clauson, Su Ghosh, Terry Grogan, and Debbie Harrison

Committee Absentees: Ken Denson, Polly Rutherford, Jeff Chapple, Jeanne Tevlin, Bob Ernst, and Patty Wiggins

Liaison Attendees: Libbey Tucker and Officer Teresa Koebe

I. Call to Order/Agenda

- A. **Attendance/Absences/Notices.** “New (?)” ‘Bee’ article. *Libbey reported that James Mello will be replacing Kris Simpson as the intern who will work with us. The motion to have Darcy continue to serve as Chairman of the Committee was unanimously passed.*
- B. **E-Reports:** 4/18/13 Minutes, A/W Republic, Abi/Bow (20.151 tons), 2014 Community Stewardship Grant Meeting, BiodiverseCity St. Louis Stakeholder Summit.

II. “Sustainability by Design” Projects

- A. **Presenters’ Schedule - to resume in June – Darcy.** *Executive Director David Berger from Solid Waste Management will present the District’s update at our meeting in June.*
- B. **Chesterfield’s MSW up – Darcy.**
- C. **Special MFDU Single Stream Recycling Effort (1 day/month at diff. sites using vector process & A/W Republic) – Libbey, Darcy.** *City will be developing improvements for recycling at events and in parks.*
 - 1. *ArmStrong Environmental/Presenter (MFDU Hauler) to Address at 7/25 meeting. The presentation will discuss another approach to multi-family unit recycling.*
- D. **Grants**
 - 1. **MDOC 2014 Community Stewardship Grant/Ereport – update – Darcy, Libbey.** *A follow up meeting will be held in June 24 per the minutes.*
 - 2. **SLED – for Forks & Corks compostable service ware update - Libbey.** *They will continue to work with Blue Sky and Mr. Harry Cohen.*
- E. **Chesterfield’s 25th Anniversary Signature Garden Model – by Butterfly House + CCE/GST 2534 for City’s BD Party.** *To be on our city’s web site and CCE Page – Darcy, Libbey. The Butterfly House provided tips for aiding pollinators and Butterfly gardening. Our flyer will include a picture of the Girl Scouts with completed garden on one side and the design of the wing and Butterfly House material on the other.*
- F. **“Charity Sharity” – Darcy.**
 - 1. **The program/brainstorm.** *Officer Koebe was on-hand to accept the first 20 Care Bears from Charity Sharity. They will be placed in Chesterfield Police Emergency Vehicles for presentation to children in stressful situations. The Charity Sharity organization procures cloth and related remnant & sewing materials that otherwise would have been thrown away from which their network of volunteers makes many items some of which are “comfort objects”(e.g., dolls, bears, etc.) for those,*

especially children, in need. We 'brainstormed' for locations in which to place the Care Bears. Initial suggestions, in addition to police officer emergency vehicles, are hospital emergency rooms, fire department emergency vehicles, urgent care facilities and Wings of Hope. More Care Bears will be coming in for this distribution list.

2.*Add to November and Earth Day. CCE members want to add Charity Sharity to our RE/Recyclers list for November and April to collect: fabric remnants, sewing supplies, sewing equipment, and needlework supplies.*

- G. BiodiverseCity St. Louis Stakeholder Summit of 5/15– ereport – Bob.** *Bob sent a report which summarized the meeting. There were three objectives of the meeting: introduce BCSL, promote discussion of relevant issues and get buy-in on actions. The next step will be to develop a communication process.*
- H. Earth Day – Critique – everybody.** *Libbey and Darcy reviewed the feedback they had gathered.*
- 1. Opening.** *Champ in 2014 following Riley leading to STOMP or Petco. Darcy would like to expand STOMP by adding community outreach teams each bringing their own” Brand” of recyclable to “STOMP Upon”.*
 - 2. Layout Guides/Information Stations/street signage.**
 - a. Amphitheater/vendors.** *Operation Food Search received some out of date food. We need to advertise that food needs to be within the acceptable date range and unopened.*
 - b. Pavilion/RE/Recycler Review; Volume Reports.** *We need to pursue placing laminated/reusable signs that identify the specific re & e-cycling stations. Basically held our own with volumes although weather did negatively impact overall volumes. Overall good volumes.*
 - c. Veterans’ Place Drive/vendors.**
 - 3. Volunteers update and Volunteer ‘Tabletops’ for check-in.**
 - 4. Native Trees/Guide. Tree Giveaway Station. Labeling.** *One attendee was overly aggressive on the number of trees acquired. We may want to clarify our intent in this area.*
 - 5. CCE Tabletop.**
 - 6. National Arbor Day.** *Darcy, Libbey.*
 - 7. EBLASTs.**
 - 8. Youth Science Exhibitors update/Certificates/Awards; EDSET Judges.** *Overall outstanding results as picked up by two newspaper articles and comments from judges!*
 - 9. On Stage/Performances update/needs. – Libbey.** *Darcy discussed the idea of partnering with Parkway School District for next year’s Earth Day Festival at a school location. This approach would be helpful in including students in the event, as well as providing some indoor relief in the case of inclement weather.*
- I. June – National Pollinators Month – Tabletop Up: 6/10; Down 6/27. – Donna, Jeanne C., Debbie H., Jeanne T.** *Donna will take the lead on this, and GS Troop 2534 will have their table next to ours to show how partnering has given our community Chesterfield’s 25th anniversary Signature Garden model.*
- J. Other.**

- III. Calendar: * Gardening for Wildlife AND Compost Awareness Tabletop, Thurs. May 23 DOWN. *Monday, June 10 Tabletop Up for National Pollinators' Month/Down June 27. *MDOC Community Stewardship Grant Meeting at CVAC 6/24, 1:30 PM.**
- IV. Next Meeting:** June 27, 6:30 PM, City Hall – Room #101-2.