

MEETING MINUTES
Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment
April 27, 2017, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, Rooms # 102-3

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

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

Minutes taken by Polly Rutherford

- I. Call to Order/Agenda/Notices.** Announcements! (Ben K., Jeanne C., GRANT, 12th year NWF certificate)” *Sign-Up Sheet review for 4/28, 4/29.*
- A. Meeting called to order at 6:30 p.m.
Mary Klauke was introduced as new city employee, working with Tom McCarthy.
 - B. Present: Darcy Capstick, Paul Travers, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Tevlin, Jeanne Clauson, Terry Grogan, Laura Houck, Su Ghosh, Polly Rutherford, Gary Budoor, Ben Keathley
 - C. Absent: Bob Ernst, Jim Brown, City Council Liaison: Guy Tillman,
 - D. Others Present: City Staff Liaisons Libbey Tucker, Tom McCarthy and Mary Klauke
 - E. Review of Eberwein Park Planting Schedule for tomorrow at 1:00
 - F. Terry said he and David Koschoff will be helping for Earth Day. Ben’s wife, Jenny, will help Su inside to hand out plastic bag sleeves.
 - G. Further review of Saturday’s Earth Day plans. Who’s where/when.
 - H. Judy Smith’s mom (Dierberg’s Continental Pastry Chef) died. A card was sent around for signatures. Also a card was sent to Grandma Care Bear’s daughter. She had made 3000 Care Bears over the years.
 - I. Recognition to Ben Keathley for winning his City Council election, and to Jeanne Clauson for her Bravo Award, which was presented at the City Recognition Banquet, where Jeanne was absent.
 - J. OUR GRANT WAS AWARDED! We received our 12th NWF Certificate!
 - K. Donna was thanked for her efforts on the Recycling Flyer update.
- II. PORTAL:** 3/23/17 minutes, Republic year-to-date; Royal Oak Recycling (3/17- 4.34 tons); 2017’s Demo. Garden Make-Over Gift; 2017 Earth Day Flyer, 2017 Tree Guide, and Indoor/Outdoor LAYOUTS; International Earth Hour Flyer 2017; CCE Brochure 12/16; Monarch/Pollinator Nexus List & Certificate; 4 P’s Make Chesterfield A Better Place update; WATER A Most Precious Resource 4/17 update (N); CFM Affiliate Membership update; MO Arbor Day pictures (T.McCarthy N); NWF Critter Facts (N); “Helping the Monarch Butterfly,” *Missouri Resources*, Spring, 2017 (N); “Butterfly Basics,” *Garden Gate*, 2/17(N); City Newsletter articles for 6, 7, 8/17; Buying Recycled Means Closing the Loop (N); NWF 4/4/17 Call Notes; Chesterfield What and Where to Recycle Guide Flyer (N); 2017 CCE Volunteer Tags; “Zeroing In,” *Resource Recycling*, 4/17.
- III. “Sustainability by Design” Projects.**
- A. SLCDHOWM Group Pilot Project Grant – announcement – Libbey, Darcy, Bob. GRANT WAS AWARDED!!!!!!
 - 1. City Newsletter Articles for June, July and August 2017.
 - 2. “Critical Path” points for ‘talking points’ to be delivered orally prior to concert series. Just think on this now.

3. In-kind time vouchers for you to keep current and turn in as you give time.
 4. Mr. Herring's (Republic Services) article for city newsletter. Recyclables from bathroom area. Libbey stated she would follow up.
 5. Mr. Herring's update for "All-in-One" Recycle Flyer, second side for 'concessions recyclables.' (Portal Placement and PDF for CCE Education Tables.) Discussion on Flyer and decision to make a decision in May. Libbey stated she would follow up.
 6. Reviewing concession recyclables – Su Gosh will do a Field Study review by our next meeting.
 7. Jeanne Tevlin Flyer discussed. Tom M. says we need to add more commonly used items to the flyer to be sent to coaches, to pass on to parents and others. Will be posted on board at CVAC. Flyer will be finalized by Jeanne T. for May meeting.
- B. **PRACAC 4/8/17 update** – Darcy.
 May 3rd Veterans Honor Park ceremony at 5:30 p.m.
 Farmers Market – 1st Thursday every month starting June 1, 2017.
 Tuesday, May 9, 4 – 5:30 ceremony for reaccreditation Parks and Rec.
 Invitation sent to all.
- C. **NWF** - Darcy, Libbey.
1. New outdoor signs for YMCA, Library; given at Earth Day.
 2. NWF Call Notes from 4/4/17. 100 communities certified, 180 total. Bob and Darcy will meet about online platform survey and send to Tom and Libbey.
 3. CFM Affiliates Membership update.
 4. 12th Year Achievement of Post-Certification Goals Certificate received; fiscal report due 7/31/17.
 5. June 13th next call for NWF.
- D. **Annual Family Native Gardening GrowOff** – Darcy.
1. Summer visitations: Jeanne C., Donna, Su. Tentative date? Best time to see garden is after plants are in full bloom. Prob. July or August, reported by Jeanne and Donna. Only 2 gardens in contest.
 2. October Conservation Honors at City Council.
- E. **Education Tabletops** – sustainable gardening – updates - Donna, Jeanne C., Darcy
 Donna reported a good tabletop display and everything intact.
1. YMCA – 4/10 – 4/25 update; 75 Beginners' Blend/DJM Eco. Serv. + NWF CREATE Cards.
 2. October at the YMCA.
- F. **Bears & Blankets – update** – Darcy. Grandma Carebear's daughter finished off all the cut outs Grandma Care Bear had already done.
- G. **26th Annual Earth Day, April 29, 2017** – everyone
1. MO Arbor Day update – Tom McCarthy, Darcy. Tom has pictures and said he would post them and send out via email. 2 white oaks and two gums planted.
 2. 4/18 cloth sleeves (329) + bag/tag pollinator seeds (110) update. All stuffed and will be handed out at Earth Day.

3. 4/28 National Arbor Day/Eberwein Park/1 PM. Tom – 4 large trees and 50 small trees to plant. Volunteers – cricket club, not sure how many outside volunteers will be coming. Rain predicted. **UPDATE: RAINED OUT**

4. CCE Volunteer Tags; **PLAN** (in/outdoors) – Libbey, Darcy, Su, Laura. Volunteer sign in poster, Laura inside and Su outside

5. Tree Guide, Geoff W./City Arborist helping. Trees tagged & watered.

6. LAYOUTS (inside/outside); View. Restrooms indicated. Green Room indicated. Walk path to get outdoors to re/cycle area and vice-versa. We will need at VOLUNTEER SIGN-IN AREA. Please have a VOLUNTEER SIGN-IN Sign for Indoors/CCE table area.

Tom would like a sign saying “no shredding on site”. He and Libbey will discuss. Lunch will be served outside, and also inside across from the carousel. No batteries accepted. Refer to What and Where to Recycle Flyer. Volunteers should arrive 9:30/9:45. Inside volunteers should arrive by 8:30. Vendors arrive at 8:00 to set up. G.S.’s will arrive at 9:00.

7. CCE Tables – 5: trees, native flora trays + Community Stewardship Scroll, (Donna has this) Water AMPR + handouts, cloth sleeves, pollinators’ seeds mix, + regular ed. Tabletop materials.

a. Indoors – Donna, Jeanne C., Bob, Laura, Ms. Gupta (A’s mother), SLTRC – Polly R., Darcy. One staff person will be at SLTRC table. The craft is signing the Ranger Rick birthday card. Then they go to the SLTRC store and get a book, after signing.

b. Outdoors – Ben K., Paul T., Su G., Jeanne Tevlin, Tom McCarthy + 2 City Staff, + Gary’s 10 adults. Various arrival times 10 – 10:30 AM and depart 1 – 1:30 PM. Does NOT include GScouts, GS Leaders or children of Gary’s adult group, Mr. & Ms. Gupta (Anusura’s parents and him).

8. Ranger Rick Plan – Gary, Anurag, Laura, Darcy.

a. EDay Birthday Plan for Noon? – Laura, Donna All set, Laura, Denise Glass, etc. will speak.

b. Ranger Rick arrived. Instructions Emailed to Gary B. RR must leave to catch his plane at 1:30 PM. Ranger Rick will leave at 1:30. Should practice walking by 9:40.

9. Opening Ceremony @ 10 AM: flag ceremony/overview; 2 GSTroops/1050 and 3863.

10. Vendors - Libbey 40 Tables, Tree Giveaways and 3 tables for CCE. Lots of plants for sale. Upcycled crafts, jewelry, bird houses. Marijuana table

11. NOON Conservation Honors: Monarch/Pollinator Nexus Partners (18) with certificates – see DRAFT; Tree City USA – MDOC Dan Moncheski OK; 12th NWF Certificate to Mayor; inaugural BPGREEN Challenge youth – A. Gupta OK; Happy EDBD Ranger Rick with Poster/card (Laura H. and Donna P.). Bagpipes player will ‘call’ people to central Courtyard Mall starting 11:45 AM.

12. Other.

H. **Other. For 2017** TO Be done: 2017 Tree Guide (done); 26th Earth Day Flyer (done); “Plastic Bags?”- Su (done); “Buying Recycled Means Closing the Loop” – Jeanne C.; “Chesterfield What & Where To Recycle” Flyer – Donna P.(done);

“International Earth Hour 2017”(done) and “Water – A Most Precious Resource” – Bob – (done) ; Family Green Initiatives Brochure – (9/2017) - Bob; 4P’s Make Chesterfield A Better Place (done)-Darcy; All-in-One Recycling + Concessions which are recyclable duplex (asap).

- IV. **Calendar:** *Fri., April 28, NArbor Day. *Sat. April 29, 2017 – 26th Annual Chesterfield Earth Day in/outdoors at Chesterfield Mall. *CCE Expectations Meeting after Earth Day TBD;* International Compost Awareness 5/7-13/17; *National Pollinators’ Week 6/19-25/17; *World Environment Day 6/5/17; *World Migratory Bird Day 5/10/17; *October very busy/YMCA.
- V. **Next Meeting:** May 25, 2017, 6:30 P.M., City Hall – Regular Rooms 102-3. Critique 26th Earth Day.