

MEETING MINUTES

Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment

February 28, 2013, 6:30 p.m.

City Hall, Rooms #101-2

Committee Attendees: Darcy Capstick, Jeff Chapple, Jeanne Tevlin, Scott Soucek, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Clauson, Su Ghosh, Terry Grogan

Committee Absentees: Debbie Harrison, Ken Denson, Polly Rutherford

Liaison Attendees: Libbey Tucker and Kris Simpson

NOTE: All Agenda Items were discussed; necessary outcomes/actions noted.

I. Call to Order/Agenda

A. Attendance/Absences/Notices/CCE Reappointments. *We will give the Butterfly House a copy of this year's NWF Achievement of Post-Certification Goals Certificate.*

B. Minutes *None.*

C. E-Reports: *A/W Republic, Abi/Bow (24.908 tons).* Handouts: 2013 Wildseed Farms Catalog, New Sustainable Gardening Flyer, Revised Commercial Recycling Providers Flyer, CCE Roster.

II. "Sustainability by Design" Projects

A. CCE Structure for minutes – Darcy/Ken. *Scott volunteered to do the minutes. The Committee expressed its gratitude to him.*

B. Partner Recognitions: Home Depot was #53, now who for #54? *St. Louis Composting is a potential candidate; however, we will wait until after Earth Day to evaluate potential candidates.*

C. MDOC Grant - Community Stewardship Grant: Partners initial meet in May? *Darcy suggested we have a meeting in May with potential partners to determine specific actions. The purpose of the MDOCs Community Stewardship Grant is to improve/restore the quality of nature/health of our habitat (terrestrial/aquatic), to support community conservation efforts, to engage residents via volunteer efforts, and to improve our habitat with exotic species control. Our targeted location is the wetlands in the river bottoms area near the new outlet mall, a soon-to-be-announced new Chesterfield Park.*

D. A/W Republic "food wastes" collection practices in Seattle – Jeanne C. *Jeanne disseminated a brochure describing Seattle's practice.*

E. Report of Parks and Rec. Citizens Advisory Committee Meeting of 2/9/13. *A Tour de Parks (Meditation, Central, and Eberwein) is scheduled for May 11.*

F. NWF Community Wildlife Habitat Team: 3 books received/view, Butterfly House: re-engaged with team! National Wildlife Week tabletop materials, *Donna will work with Kris on the cardboard box for the tree – to make the tree 'stand' on its own.* Quarterly NWF National Telecon on Friday, 4/5/13 at City Hall at 1:45 PM. Other Chesterfield Sites for Certifications? *Libbey will check the plans for the outlet malls' green spaces. CCE members are requested to submit suggestions for sites to certify.*

G. Earth Day

1. Opening Agenda: 1) Eagle Scout Flag Ceremony; 2) 3 books presented: Butterfly House, Chesterfield Elem. School, and Sachs County Library; 3) One SGYT member; 4) Certified Wildlife Habitat Post-Certification Goals Certificate – Present to Mayor; 5) Op. Food Search Director; 6) Tree City USA; 7) At NOON: Youth Science Exhibitors Awards. *Riley, our Recycling Dog, will be on hand as well.*

2. Native Trees/Brochure DRAFT. *We need to add the count of Tree City USA awards we have received. We also need to add the "infinity" sign on the globe logo, our 'Youth' Brand.*

3. National Arbor Day Planting (Friday, 4/26/13) – Get City Arborist Instructions: Where/When? Native Trees? # of volunteers? ***4PM - location to be determined by inquiring with our City's Arborist.***
4. Event Flyer Draft. Layout Guide is In Progress. ***To improve traffic flow we will move Cintas and Allied Waste to the south side and switch Habitat and the Teacher Supply.***
5. Boy Scouts of America (New Horizon District) EDSET outreach: NOVA/SUPERNOVA science projects – Terry G. ***Terry will coordinate the Boy Scout Leadership. We need to emphasize that we want to make it easy to enter and allow the entrants flexibility to present their 'science/technology/engineering/math' projects with connection to sustainability. Kris will resend his August 2012 email of the relevant documents to the Committee members. Centermost is challenging our Youth to 'come forward.'***
6. EBLAST update - Libbey. Youth Science Exhibitors update – Kris. ***We have eight vendors so far. An EBLAST solicitation will be resent.***
7. EDSET Judges 'outreach': agenda, map, etc. – Kris.
8. Volunteers update – Polly, Libbey. ***Cub Scouts can probably best be used for the April 26 tree planting***
9. Water Write-up Update – Scott S. ***The write-up was presented. Libbey will add some graphics to make it easier to read. This will be made ready for our next meeting.***
10. Operation Food Search "Most Wanted Items"- 1/28 meeting update.
11. On Stage/Performances update. ***Libbey reviewed the schedule per the Earth Day flyer.***
12. Re & E-cyclers Review for Pavilion Parking Lot Drive-Thru. Layout Guide Flyer DRAFT.
13. Prairie Wildflower seeds update – Donna, Jeanne C, Debbie H. ***Donna and Jeanne C. will get seeds ready for the stand-up tabletop box.***
14. "Repurpose" Poster for EDay/Nov. – Donna. ***Donna will develop a poster to explain the concept.***
- H. National Wildlife Week-Springboard to EDay: tabletop Up M 3/11 ***8AM*** Down Th. 3/28 – Donna, Jeanne, Darcy.
- I. International Earth Hour (3/30/2013) – Darcy, Su. ***Su will have a solicitation of actions flyer on our tabletop.***
- J. Other.

III. Calendar:

- *National Wildlife Week (3/18-24) up 3/11 ***8AM*** – down 3/28 tabletop.
- *International Earth Hour – 3/30/2013
- *22nd Annual Chesterfield Earth Day Festival, Sat., April 27, 2013, Central Park – from Pavilion RE/Ecycle Drive Thru through Amphitheater.
- *5/13 Gardening for Wildlife and Compost Awareness tabletops.

IV. Next Meeting: March 28, 6:30 PM, City Hall – Room #101-2

