

MEETING MINUTES
Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment
February 26, 2009, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, Room # 102-103

Committee Attendees: Darcy Capstick, Jeanne Clauson, Donna Pecherski, Polly Rutherford, Scott Soucek, Ted Slap, Jeff Chapple, Ken Denson

Committee Absentees: Terry Grogan, Rachel Eilbott

Liaison Attendees: Libbey Malberg, Sarah Cantlon

Visitors: Bridgette Kossor, Al Manson, Sam Manson

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

I. Call to Order/Agenda

- A. Sign-in and introductions
- B. Approval of Minutes of 1/22/09 – Ken *Deferred to next meeting.*

II. “Mainstreaming Green” Projects

A. Reports/Information

1. Community Organic Culinary Garden Status Report – Bridgette Kossor *Described the Food From the Ground Up community garden in the Chesterfield Valley. Have not yet pursued Organic Garden certification, due to \$500 certification fee.*
2. Eagle Scout Project Research-Candidate Sam Manson and ~~Mrs. Resa Al~~ Manson *attended and discussed potential Eagle Scout projects with members of the Committee.*
3. “How to ‘Green’ Your Home” Seminar (agenda, tabletop display, and packets) – Sarah/Donna/Darcy *Volunteer sign-up sheet was distributed*
4. Participation of Green Builder, Kim Hibbs at the “How to Green Your Home” Seminar – Ted *Mr. Hibbs declined participation in the immediately upcoming seminar*
5. Community Habitat Team Meeting of 2/18 – Darcy *9 new certified habitats in 2008.*
6. Parks & Recreation Citizens Advisory Committee Report of 2/14 – Darcy
7. Sustainable Gardening Info & Stellar Green Youth Team Update– Libbey *Reported that Mindy Mohrman reviews all developer landscaping projects, and passes along sustainable gardening information. Also reported that City Council approved the Stellar Green Youth Team program.*
8. Multi-family Dwelling Unit Recycling Project Update – Libbey *City is researching 12 multi-family complexes. 2 are currently recycling, 6 are interested in further exploration, and 4 are not interested.*
9. Confluence Trash Bash-Saturday, 3/28– Libbey
10. Green Team and TREEED: Update & Prospective New Honorees Discussion– Darcy
11. “Buying Recycled” Flyer Update – Ted *Presented finished version of updated flyer. Ted was thanked for his excellent work on the new flyer.*
12. Best Buy E-cycling Program– Sarah *Best Buy expanded their E-cycling program on Feb. 15. Impose a \$10 fee for any screens, but they provide a \$10 Best Buy gift card.*

13. Missouri Recycling Association Annual Conference – Darcy ***Will be held June 8-10, 2009 at the Sheraton City Center hotel on 14th St. in St. Louis***
14. Ethical Society Forum of 2/2 – Ken/Polly/Jeanne ***Reported on event. Crux is proposed legislation (HB554 and SB228) that would replace the existing Construction Work In Progress (CWIP) law, which was enacted as a result of citizen initiative, with a law that would allow public utilities to pass along construction costs for new power plants, including nuclear facilities, to the rate base prior to the plant becoming operational.***
15. St. Louis County, Department Of Health Quarterly Luncheon – Darcy ***To be held Wed. March 11, 2009 from 11:30-1:30.***
16. Literature/References Points – Darcy
17. Other

B. Actions

1. How to Green Your Home Seminar: Approve Agenda and Packet –Darcy ***Approved information packet. Group will gather on Friday, March 13 to assemble the packets for distribution at the seminar.***
2. Other ***Sachs Properties has stopped providing recycling services for its retail properties.***

**III. 18th Annual Tree, Earth and Arbor Day: “Carbon Footprints...What’s Your Size?”
Saturday, April 25, 2009**

A. Reports/Information

1. Distribution list for PR Tree Day Flyers – Sarah
2. E-cycling: Volunteers Needed for two shifts: 8-noon and noon-3 p.m.– Darcy/Libbey
3. Street Tree Replacement Program Information Sheet – Libbey ***Flyer for the program will be distributed at the CCE table at Tree Day***
4. “Sustainability Starter Kits” Update– Jeff/Donna ***Will have 150 kits. Still working on source for Compact Fluorescent Lights for the kits.***
5. CCE Tabletop – Donna
6. Other ***Layout Guide will be approved by March 18.***

B. Actions

1. Other

VI. Recycling Reports/Information – Darcy

- * Abitibi – 59.5 tons for 1/09; 83 tons for 1/08 (Current Factors Impacting Tonnage: Size of newspapers, subscriptions for suburban journals and others, family/business cost-cutting)
- * Resource Management Co./City Curbside – 272.16 tons for 1/09; 244.04 tons for 1/08

VII. Calendar

- * Community Habitat Team Meeting – Seed’s/Faust – 2/18/09, 3 PM
- * “How to ‘Green’ Your Home” Seminar – Tuesday, 4/14/09, 5 – 5:45 PM, Informal Gathering with Food for exhibitors/CCE; Presentations 6 – 8 PM
- * 18th Annual Tree, Earth and Arbor Day: Carbon Footprints...What’s Your Size? – Saturday, 4/25/09
 - CCE Set-up and Scout & Volunteer E-cycling Training 7:15 AM;

- E-cycling ONLY starts; 8 AM
- Exhibitors' Set-Up: 8-9 a.m.
- 9 AM Mayor/Council Liaison 'Opens' Tree Day
- Noon – 3 PM Second Shift Volunteers & Scouts pack-up e-cycling
- * Annual Recycle Drive: April 18 – 26, 2009, Dierbergs Market Place
- * 13th America/Missouri/Chesterfield Recycles Day – Saturday, Nov. 14, 2009, City Hall Plaza, TBA

VIII. Informational Materials: Literature & References Attachment to Agenda

IX. Next Meeting: Thursday, March 26, 2009, 6:30 PM, City Hall – Room #102/103