



**Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee
Summary of Meeting Results August 22, 2024
City Hall Rm 102-103. 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm**

- I. Call meeting to order** The meeting was called to order at 5:58 by Jeanne Tevlin, Chair
- II. Attendance recorded by Laura Houck, Secretary, Ward III, Kari Johnson, City Liason, Jeanne Tevlin, Chair, Ward IV, Rob Kilo, Vice Chair, Ward IV, Su Ghosh Ward III, Donna Pecherski, Ward II, Jeanne Clauson, Ward III, Paul McCool Ward I, Vaishali Soneta, Ward IV, Darcy Capstick, Emeritus, Ward III, Gary Budoor, Councilman, Ward IV**
- III. Discussion/approval of July meeting summary** Rob Kilo made a motion to approve the July minutes. The motion was seconded by Darcy Capstick.

- IV. Update log of CCEAC community outreach volunteer hours - 7/25 - 8/22.** It was decided that we will log community and committee volunteer hours monthly.

8/1/2024 - Jeanne Tevlin picked up flowers and potting soil donation from Home Depot.

8/2/2024 - Donna Pecherski at the last minute made a poster acknowledging the donation from Home Depot

8/3/2024 - (Sat) Back to School Bash

Paul McCool, Jeanne Clauson, Vaishali Soneta, Rob Kio, Jeanne Tevlin and Jim Tevlin

- 10 am - 11 am set up

- 11 am - 1 pm help kids create planters with flowers and seeds

- Jeanne Tevlin delivered the thank you card to Home Depot.

8/17/2024 - Honeysuckle removal with New Horizon's Chapter of Order of the Arrow - Paul McCool, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Tevlin - 8:45 am - 10:45

Jeanne will check on the amount of hours volunteered on this day by the boy scouts.

8/27 Laura Houck meeting results

- V. Update/Follow Up: events, deadlines, and priorities**

a. Chesterfield Citizen newsletter deadline & theme? Kari Kari will let us know the new theme for the next newsletter.

b. 8/3 (Sat) Back to School Bash review: Rob Kilo made a motion to repeat this program next year. Vaishali Soneta seconded the motion. The program was very successful. Darcy Capstick recommended that we use pollinator friendly plants next year. Jeanne Tevlin will write a recap of the program for next year's planning. Jeanne will keep the recap.

c. 8/17 (Sat) Honeysuckle removal/ treatment review Jeanne Tevlin This event went well. They needed more people putting on round-up. It was recommended that it be more structured and specific next time with maps marked. Stakes were needed too. It was suggested that a different time of year be chosen-maybe later in the year. Jeanne Tevlin took pictures of the areas and put in ten stakes near the stumps that had round-up used on them. She will return every month and take more pictures to check the status of the plants. That way she will be able to tell what works and what doesn't.

d. Vote on brochures from city's website and brochures Darcy emailed.

e. Committee banner/sign with CCEAC name for events. Status Kari will take care of ordering a new tablecloth for use at our events.

f. Recycling (Susan Piazza/Kari)- monitoring monthly volume reports. Su Ghosh Su shared the volume report. For 2024, the diversion rate varied between 19.1-26.6%. There was a brief discussion regarding the project plan she prepared for increasing the diversion rate. The plan was shared with the group last month. It is slated for an action item with discussion for the October meeting.

g. Any interest in table top displays at City Hall due to the fact more activities will take place there after August 31?

h. Recycling Education Program based on PowerPoint by Susan Piazza. Are we interested? No is an okay answer too. Donna has action to report.

i. As a committee outline responsibility for a "Project Lead".

j. 10/5 (Sat) Truck or Treats What will CCEAC do? Table top display? Donna and Vaishali talked about running the recycling game and engaging kids by learning. Candy will be passed out.

k. 10/10 (Thur) Trunk or Treats - adults; What will CCEAC do?

Table top display confirmed. Lead? Ideas? This is a senior event at Central park. Kari suggested reminding older adults about the senior discount through Republic. We can have a tabletop display with handouts: closing the loop, candy, examples of what to recycle and what not to recycle. Darcy suggested using the QR code for information. Kari suggested giving away notepaper that says- Never too late to reduce, reuse and recycle.

l. A motion was made by Vaishali Soneta to extend the meeting to 7:30. This motion was seconded by Donna Pecherski.

VI. Announcements/Comments

a. New CCEAC event t-shirts – if you do not have one yet, contact Kari.

b. Reminder: Box of 100 Garden for Wildlife magazines in the mail room at City Hall and take as needed.

c. Reminder : Mitzy Baker - 5th grade teacher at Chesterfield Elementary expressed interest in our committee working with her classes.

d. The Department of Conservation announced that we have been named the National Wildlife Federation affiliate of the year.

VII. New Business - Open Discussion for ideas/action items even if not listed on agenda (at least the last 15 min)

VIII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 7:07

- a. Next Meeting – Thursday, September 26, 2024 City Hall
- b. **UPCOMING ACTION DATES 2024:**

September 16 (Mon) - NWF Zoom Mtg 3-4 pm CT; Jeanne Clausen, Rob Kilo back-up

September 26 (Thurs) - CCEAC meeting 6 pm City Hall

October 5 (Sat) - Truck or Treats. CCEAC table top display.

October 10 (Thurs) - Trunk or Treats. CCEAC table top display.

October 24 (Thurs) - CCEAC meeting 6 pm City Hall

November 21 (Thurs) - CCEAC meeting 6 pm City Hall

December 9 (Mon) - NWF Zoom Mtg 3-4 pm CT; Jeanne Clausen, Rob Kilo back-up

Mid-December - NWF Fiscal Year Report (Kari Johnson) to Recertify our Community Wildlife Habitat

December 19 (Thurs) - CCEAC meeting 6 pm City Hall*****

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Deadline for Sixth Mayor's Monarch Pledge 2025

April 2025 - Invasive Bush Honeysuckle (IBH), vines removal and trash pick-up – Rob Kilo will coordinate date/time with Kari.

Volunteers include Terry Grogan and the Boy Scouts.