

MINUTES

Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment

June 28, 2018, 6:15 p.m.

City Hall - 690 Chesterfield Parkway West - Room 102-103

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

- I. **Call to Order.** Meeting was called to order at 6:18. Attendance Sheet passed; Attendance:
 1. Present: Polly Rutherford, Jeanne Clauson, Jeanne Tevlin, Paul Travers, Laura Houck, Gary Budoor, Terry Grogan
 2. City Reps Present: Tom McCarthy, Mary Klauke, Ben Keathley
 3. Visitor: Lois Ballance (possible new member, Ward 4)
 4. Absent: Darcy Capstick, Su Ghosh, Ram Kurapati, Donna Pecherski

- II. **Approval of May 24, 2018 Minutes.** # 1X should read TBD, not Done. Paul T moved to approve the minutes and Jeanne C. seconded, with one change to be included. A voice vote was taken and the minutes were approved as amended.

- III. **Park Master Plan meeting and involvement updates:**

Tom has not received any feedback yet. There will be more discussion as the process evolves.

- IV. **ST. Louis County Grant**
 1. Current grant information: The last concert we don't have the numbers for, Tom thinks Republic may have overlooked it. This may be our "rain date" for grant purposes. He reported though that about 20 bags of recycling were picked up that were left on the grounds, in addition to what was in the recycling bins.
 2. Committee members' information table at the concert on July 14 (6:00pm): Tom will send out an email and he would like at least 2 members to sign up to volunteer for the event.

- V. **St. Louis County Health Department 2019 Grant proposal:**

We got the grant! Waiting for Council to approve the upfront funding. Includes 220 compost bins, a turner and kitchen bucket and 24 Blue Recycle Bins with updated signage. CCE would charge about \$20 for each bin. There would be a follow up to be sure those receiving them are using them. The grant includes composting classes, and schools would receive them free with the classes.

- VI. **Recycling Stations? (Jeanne T):**

The tent recycling that we discussed would not be an option for our grant. It is locked in. Decided it was not an option for various reasons.

- VII. **Park Master Plan:**

Tom would like volunteers to help with surveys for 6 different events. He suggested thinking about budget ideas to discuss at our next meeting.

- VIII. **NWF Application:**

Mary Klauke was on the NWF call. We need to get our recertification in to them by end of July. Su and Tom are working on this. The seeds and magazines were mentioned but we don't know if they will be free for next year.

IX. Republic Numbers for June:

Yard Waste 1,337 tons; Recycling 420 tons; Trash 1,045 tons; Royal Oak April and May Numbers: April: 5.61 tons, for May: 7.97 tons, for June: 10,490 tons

X. Scout Event on July 24, 4:45-7:30pm (Terry):

Terry would like 2 volunteers to man a table for STEM on environmental information. Could be over 100 Scouts and adults present. No one present was available for those dates, we will check with Su, Donna and Ram. We will get a write up for our awards that are given out and may interest Scouts. Those include the “Stellar Green Youth”, and the “Blue Planet/Green Challenge” Awards. Handouts are available for the Scout table.

XI. Bears and Blankets:

We are having a problem with storage and space for all the Bears and Blankets. Perhaps ask Charity Sharity to be the person to deliver to places in need directly and no longer go through us. Will discuss further.

XII. Dates:

- Honey Suckle Removal Date for late Fall at Conway Cemetery: These dates are being confirmed.
- YMCA planting? The garden looks like it has not been weeded since planted. We don't want to help them expand the garden, if it will not be kept up. Tom will call Denise, the Y Director, about future steps. Rocks around the garden are no longer there. Tom will get a report and we will discuss again.
- Table top dates?: Donna and Jeanne set these up. Tom will get these dates from Donna for next month.
- Signature Garden Challenge?: One application (Rosenberg's) has been turned in. If no others are turned in, we may drop this project. Will wait until application deadline.
- Council dates for “Blue Planet Green Challenge”: Tom will get dates
- Council date for Stellar Green Youth Team: Tom will get dates
- Volunteer dates for Park Master Plan Survey: This was passed around and Tom also is sending via e-mail.

XIII. Old business

XIV. New business:

We decided to print agendas to pass out but not the minutes as they will be read online. Mary K. will check to see what counties or cities have passed an ordinance about banning plastic bags. JT told us about Crayola recycling markers project. They did it at Westridge this year (3,478 markers were recycled). Rockwood recycled about 20,000 markers. Crayola picks them up. They are recycled for diesel fuel.

XV. Adjournment 7:35

Next Meeting: July 26, 2018, 6:15 p.m., City Hall