

**Chesterfield Citizens Environmental Advisory Committee**

**Nov. 16, 2023, 6:00 P.M.**

**Summary of Meeting Minutes**

**Chesterfield City Hall, 690 Chesterfield Pkwy. West, Room #102/3**

- I. Call Meeting to Order; Oct. 26 Meeting Cancelled** The meeting was called to order at 5:59 PM
- II. Roll Call** Those in attendance were: Darcy Capstick Chair(Ward 3), Kari Johnson (City Liaison), Laura Houck(Ward 3)Secretary, Paul McCool(Ward 2), Donna Pecherski(Ward 2), Makarand Deo(Ward 2), and visitor Cory Tepatti
  - A. New Green Shirts New green shirts are needed for Makarand Deo and Rob Kilo. Kari will order.
  - B. New member – introductions for Rob Kilo, W IV
- III. Approval of Meeting Summary of Sept. 28, 2023; Secretary Pro Tem Donna Pecherski made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Makarand Deo seconded the motion.**
- IV. Unfinished Business**
  - A. National Wildlife Federation (NWF)
    1. 12/4 upcoming – report in December at meeting.
    2. End of Year Report due ~Dec. 15 from Dir. Dieckmann
      - a. Links sent to Kari several weeks ago
  - B. October
    1. Oct. 21, Fall Festival, 1 – 4 PM, critique Donna Pecherski critiqued the pollinator game. She said there were no rules or questions and not enough of one color to play tic tac toe. Donna made the rule that you hit the hole and you won a prize. Recyclables for curbside and regular recycling were there to help showcase Chesterfield What & Where to Recycle 2023
    2. Oct. 25, for Energy Awareness Mo. And Earth Science Week, Prof. Ness Sandoval's Presentation: Taylor Geospatial Institute and Using Geographic Information Systems to Study Patterns on Earth," critique; school principals need to know. Darcy stated that Prof. Sandoval stated that no local schools were aware of this presentation. There needs to be better communication with the schools about upcoming events especially STEM events. Trying to get principal's contact information is a start.
  - C. November
    1. 11/2, Green Teaming #69, Chris Hartley, 9 AM – critique This was a surprise for Chris. Jeanne Clausen did a great job of talking about Chris and the reasons to give him this award. Darcy had researched the background information since she could not attend.
    2. November 15, Susan Piazza, Mgr. Republic Services, "Sustainability in Action" City Hall, critique Susan stated that Chesterfield has .8 of 1% contamination rate. It was discussed that Makarand Deo and Donna Pecherski meet with Susan Piazza to come up with a curriculum for third grade level about recycling which can be presented in the schools.

This presentation is to include slides as well. Maybe Susan Piazza already has such a PowerPoint.

**E. December**

1. Multipurpose Room: 12/14 meeting/eat and meet – Kari made arrangements for this date because Barron wanted it and Vaishali would not be able to make a December meeting

2. Green Potluck/eat & meet, Barron, coordinator Barron was unable to attend the meeting so he will have to contact members by email. Darcy will send him an email to help get this started.

F. “Without Plants, We’re Toast” – links update – Kari fixed and on our page of the city’s website

G. City Newsletter photos about 69<sup>th</sup> Green Team Member and the Fall Festival turned in. Next newsletter copy due in Jan. For 3, 4, 5, 2024.

H. EOY in 2024 – draft sent to Su who will add photos

I. 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Chesterfield Earth Day: For Sure: SL Compost/Walt Bressert (Kari had contact info.), native Trees (Geoff Wegrzyn) and Tree Guide (Kari), Jost Greenhouses - native wildflowers (have to pick up), Remains - textiles recycling; the Butterfly House considering

1. Red Key recycling, shredding & reciprocating partner, same day, close to park – Kari Shredding and recycling will be located at Red Key. Kari may put Remains there also. We will be located nearby in the mall parking lot and promote compost, trees and flower give away. We will be a reciprocating partner in this event.

2. Children planting seeds, containers, compost, seeds/ plan – Kari The containers may be paper cups; Kari will get the cups for the committee to use.

3. Wildseed Farms catalogs distributed – bag & tag? It was decided to purchase 1 lb of each Butterfly /Hummingbird Blend and Cut Flower Mix. These will be bagged and tagged with 1 tsp of seeds. Date and time to bag and tag TBD.

J. September & October Recycling Results: Republic & Royal Oak  
Republic 399.0 cu.yds Waste  
Sept. 302.24 Tons recycled material  
950.19 Tons trash

452.0 Waste  
Oct. 347.42 Tons recycled material  
1000.57 Tons trash  
25.8 diversion rate  
26.3 average diversion rate

In September Royal Oak recycled 3.27 tons and in October, 9.6 tons

K. CCEAC Brochure updated – Kari Kari to check on numbers which were sent to her on the N WF CCWH in country and NWF CHG in Chesterfield

**V. New Business**

1. Minute for the Environment – DP Was rescheduled for December.
2. Eberwein Farm Park, Tree Walk update – Kari Kari said they have a vendor who knows how to tag trees for weather protection.
3. CFM

- a. David Risberg Grant ideas; tree walk labels
- b. Application Links sent to Kari
- 4. Arbor Day/s, 4/5 and /or 4/26, Wild Horse Elementary – Vaishali. Vashali will be sent a follow-up email because she wanted to celebrate Arbor Day/s at Wild Horse Elementary so the youth can be involved. She will be getting the principal's name and contact information most probably for Geoff Wegrzyn, city arborist.

**VI. Announcements:** In Nov. and Dec. meet 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays due to holidays Darcy reminded us that January is voting for Chair, Co-Chair and Secretary. Kari said she was working on the Mayor's Fourth Monarch Pledge Proclamation report for the National Wildlife Federation (NWF). The NWF's fiscal year report is due mid-December and she has the links for that.

**VII. Adjournment**

- 1. Next Meeting Th., Dec. 14 – Kari Meeting adjourned at 6:50 PM