

MEETING NOTICE
Chesterfield Citizens Committee for the Environment
October 27, 2016, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, Rooms #102-3

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

- I. **Call to Order/Agenda/Notices.** Sign-Up Sheet: NEW for recycle event Nov. 5, 2016.
 - A. Meeting was called to order at 6:30 PM
 - B. Present: Darcy Capstick, Paul Travers, Bob Ernst, Jeanne Tevlin, Su Ghosh, Laura Houck, Donna Pecherski, Jeanne Clauson, Polly Rutherford, Ben Keathley
 - C. Absent: Jim Brown, Terry Grogan
 - D. City Council Liaison Present: Guy Tilman
 - E. City Staff Liaison Present: James Mello, Libbey Tucker
- II. **PORTAL:** 9/22/16 minutes, Republic & USAgain year-to-date; Royal Oak Recycling (9/16- 10.983 tons); 20th *Chesterfield/Missouri/America Recycles Flyer*; 12,1,2/2017 City Newsletter Articles; 10/15 YMCA Butterfly Garden Photos; 10/12 YMCA Pollinator Program Photos Elaine Collins ; IBH Eradication/Faust Park 10/22 Photos Lisa Bobrinsky; IBH Brochure; Bear/Blanket Matrix Updated ; Demo. Garden Make-Over Gift, sent memo to Chris Hartley but has not heard back yet; KAB duplex flyer; BRMCTL Brochure; Upcycling Recycling in Chesterfield Parks Write Up thus far; Earth Day Tree Order List was posted; *MO Resources*, Fall, 2016, Earth Science Week, and MO's Water Plan; *National Wildlife*, 10/11/2016, "When Birds Become Bird Food," "Loss of the Wild," "Conserving Parks and Soils"; *Resource Recycling*, 10/16, "Connecting with the Future."
- III. **"Sustainability by Design" Projects.**
 - A. **YMCA Updates** – everybody
 1. Tabletop Week of Oct. 10 (put up date) – Oct. 14 (take down date); Donna reported its reception was stellar.
 2. Wed., Oct. 12, 6:30 P.M. – 7:30 PM free Pollinators Program @ YMCA's Theater; Chris Hartley was the presenter; presentation went very well from all accounts. 300+ Pure Air Native's wildflower seed packs were given away; 75 NWF Butterfly Heroes Kits given away; 26 people mostly from St. Louis County and Chesterfield, but also St. Louis City and St. Charles County. Compliments to Donna and Jeanne C. who made the tabletop so successful.
 3. Sat., Oct. 15, planting native flora for butterflies/pollinators @ YMCA, back side of building was very successful. Unanimous decision to do another segment there next year, same time.
 4. Garden to be NWF Certified; *Visitor:* Executive Director Denise Glass to present to us if possible, but she couldn't make it; we voted to process. Darcy and Polly met with RGA rep but the company decided not to do anything until the first of the year and then try to get it approved from corporate.
 5. Follow-up with Sachs Library for their NWF Application.
 - B. **Invasive Bush Honeysuckle Eradication, Oct. 22 @ Faust Park.** Three Girl Scout troops plus the Boy Scouts; plus many CCE members and Guy Tilman. We

collected five dump trucks of removed IBH. We intend to repeat the effort next year.

1. NWF Anchor Tallgrass Prairie.
2. Grow Native! Demo Garden.
3. Lunch. # Boy and Girl Scout Volunteers – Polly R., Donna P.
4. Photos were taken by Lisa B.

C. **NWF - Darcy, James, Libbey.**

1. Amphitheater Certificate. View.
2. National Telephone Conference of 10/11/16. Call Notes were discussed by Darcy: total of 167 registered communities nationwide; showed us the new NWF logo; 11 states are co-branding with NWF; Darcy asked CCE for permission to get a cost for NFW nametags for CCE members with the new logo, no nays were heard and motion passed. Schoolyard certifications are now free.
3. Ordering outdoor NEW Certified Signage: three for Park; RGA underway, we'll discuss Y and Library; all for our Butterfly/Pollinator Nexus TBA next Earth Day, 2017.
4. Next NWF Telephone Conference 12/13/16. Chris Hartley indicated he'd like to be able to attend.
5. CFM parks, soils & water information cards were available recommending Amendment One in the coming Missouri election.

D. **Upcycling Recycling in Chesterfield Parks** – potential Grant Opportunity for sustainable materials management – Bob, Su, Darcy.

1. Update summation of 'where we're at' – Bob, Su. Reducing solid waste and increasing recyclable is our goal in this waste pilot/test program at the Central Park Amphitheater. We have collected a great deal of information and are ready to meet in the next two weeks with Parks Director Tom McCarthy to get his ideas and direction.
2. Portal placement of write-up thus far.
3. TBA meet/confer with Libbey, James, Dir. McCarthy; 11/1 or 11/2 hopefully or some time during the following week.

E. **PRACAC 10/8/16** – Darcy reported about an arts sculpture contest underway. Guy Tilman reported that a number of ideas are coming together but has not taken off yet. Michelle Keesal was the PRACAC Chair thru the last meeting; at the 11/19 PRCAC Meeting the members will vote on a new chair. Laura H. is CCE's liaison to this committee.

F. **Bears/Blankets update/matrix** – Darcy, Libbey.

1. Five more bags of bears = 100 more!
2. Other needs; please check your contacts because we have both bears and blankets in need of "homes."

G. **26th Earth Day, April 29, 2017** – everyone

1. Tree Order List: we voted to accept revised numbers and cost. Thank you to Jeanne C. who reported total of 655 trees that would be reduced to 330 for a total cost of \$144. Plus a small handling charge
2. Field Definitions – due 11/17, please - Jeanne C.
3. Several MDOC Handouts have been requested and received by Darcy.

4. Earth Hour Flyer – need revisions early January, 2017, due to city newsletter cycle – Su G.

5. Bi-Annual Grow-Off Aps. to James. Update.

H. **20th Chesterfield/MO/America Recycles Event, Sat., Nov. 5, 2016** – Libbey, James, Darcy. We need everyone to use the sign-up sheet to show member availability. Lunch will be provided by the City.

1. ACHIEVED AWARD! from Keep American Beautiful.

2. Review Event with vendor layouts – James presented the layout map of the parking lot area in Central Park with the circulation pattern and venue stations. Name tags for all volunteers may not be needed.

3. ALL Re/ecyclers review placements - James.

4. Reusable Bags stuffing 10/26 review; 325 bags were filled and all flyers were used except one. Bags will be passed out at the entrance, one per car load.

I. **Community Conservation Optics** – Su, Darcy collected from the following

1. YMCA.

2. Faust Park.

3. 20th A/M/C Recycles

J. **Holiday Green Supper** – Darcy, Bob.

1. CCE meets the third Thursday of November and December due to Holiday Schedule. Need volunteers to help organize the goodies Polly and Laura have stepped up for those nights; Donna and Jeanne are their backups.

K. **Other.** Bob and Paul reported on the status of the horsechestnut tree in Faust Park. According to Jesse Francis, no County horticulturalist can make the identification so Bob will contact MBG to see if they have one qualified to do so. **For 2017 TO Be done:** “Quality Life Support Systems from our Natural World,” “Earth Hour” and updating “Plastic Bags?” to include the cloth plastic bags sleeve for Earth Day - Su. Family Green Initiatives Brochure – (2017) - Bob; **{DONE:** Plastic Bags?, Backyard Compost, Water – A Most Precious Resource, Help Save Monarch Butterflies; International Earth Hour; Without Plants, We’re Toast; All in One Recycling/The Household Challenge; Stellar Green Youth Team Application; Blue Planet’s GREEN Challenge-E. and S; Chesterfield What & Where to Recycle; Buying Recycled Means Closing the Loop; 2016 Earth Day Tree Guide; 4 P’s, WO Plants We’re Toast. }.

IV. **Calendar:** *October 26 NOON cloth bag stuffing at city hall. *3/17 Deadline for filing BiAnnual Grow Off Aps. *Oct. 22, 2016 – IBH eradication at Faust Park/NWF Anchor Project, etc., 8:45 AM – 1 PM. *20th Chesterfield/MO/America Recycles Event, Sat., Nov. 5, 2016. *26th Annual Chesterfield Earth Day, Sat., April 29, 2017.

V. **Next Meeting:** November 17, 2016, 6:30 P.M., City Hall – Rooms #102-3. Mary Patterson, SLCDOH/Waste Management, Presenter.