

# **Collierville Environmental Commission Meeting Minutes**

Meeting: April 12, 2022 6:36-7:44PM

Public Service Facility, 500 Keough Rd

#### <u>Agenda</u>

- 1. Call to order at 6:36pm
  - a. Board members present:

✓ Paul Brister

✓ Mary Urrutia

✓ Kathryn Martin

√ Josh Russel

✓ Sheila Bentley

✓ Michelle Obenour

✓ Orpheus Triplett

✓ Grant Gates

2. March meeting minutes approved as is.

#### **Active Items**

- 1. Fair on the Square (May 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup>)
  - a. Booth scheduling
    - i. May 7th (10am 6 pm)
    - ii. May 8th (12pm-5pm)
    - iii. Members signed up for time slots. Paul will also send it out for additional sign ups.
  - b. Main goal is outreach and education
  - c. Seedlings form completed
    - i. 300 seedlings for free b/c Collierville is a Tree City USA
    - ii. Hickory, dogwood, and oak chosen
    - iii. Paul will call and order these
  - d. Items to bring for booth:
    - i. Josh canopy/tent, sign, brochures, any leftover swag from past events (grocery bags, food storage bags), locate Sophia's videos (grass cycling, recycle guidelines, loose leaf collection)
    - ii. Paul tables (check with 20<sup>th</sup> century club)
    - iii. Orpheus chairs
    - iv. Mickey Spin wheel, recycling game, trifold with recycle guidelines, laptop for playing Sophia's
  - e. Motion to approve up to \$1,000 for printing color flyers and purchasing other merchandise APPROVED
    - i. Flyers: (250 reach)
      - 1. Butterflies and native plants (Kathryn will forward this to Josh)
      - 2. Grass cycling
      - 3. Recycling (Paul will create this)
      - 4. Storm drains / wastewater

- 5. Recycle Saturday flyer (Mickey will email last year's version to Paul to re-work it)
- ii. Mickey will email links for merchandise ideas
- 2. Recycling Education cart stickers and magnets
  - a. Paul will work on this graphic
- 3. Recycle Saturday May 14th
  - a. E-cycling and Habitat confirmed
  - b. Josh will call school to confirm parking lot availability for this date
- 4. Tree Canopy (Brant Sollis 901-457-2347 / Carrie Phillips 901-457-2357)
  - a. Tree canopy update
  - b. Educational / Awareness campaign (website, communications, interactive maps, etc)
- 5. Educational social media campaign
  - a. \*\*Each CEC member Send Kathryn 2-3 ideas regarding waste reduction NLT this Friday April 15<sup>th</sup>
- 6. Quarterly(ish) symposium
  - a. Preferred topics:
    - i. Dark Sky Initiative limiting light pollution
      - 1. Kathryn reach out to Master Naturalist and Museum of science/history for speakers
    - ii. Beekeeping
    - iii. Invasive Plants
    - iv. Recycling
  - b. Possible location Mayor and Alderman meeting venue (Thursday or Tuesday in June), 7-9pm
    - i. Josh will check on availability

### **Ongoing**

- 7. Budget \$1755
- 8. Town Updates
  - a. Sidewalk on Quinn Rd for middle school is not an option. The cost benefit for the city is not worth it.
- 9. New Business
  - a. Kathryn's tree idea: Create a program where we could provide a free native tree for cutting down a Bradford pear or alter the town tree ordinance to prevent the sale of those trees in Collierville.
- 10. Adjournment 7:44pm

## **2022 Completed Projects**

- 1. Great Backyard Bird Count (COMPLETED)
- 2. Arbor Day Tree Planting (COMPLETED)