



Meeting Minutes

SUBJECT: Ecology and Environmental Awareness Committee

DATE: July 26, 2007

LOCATION: City Hall, 1st Floor Main Conf. Room

FROM: Paul Wojciechowski, Director of Public Works / City Engineer

ATTENDEES: Anne Bishop, Patti Griesbaum, Punit Jain , Paul Wojciechowski, Sonya Gierada (Clayton HS Student)

ABSENT: Fran Lang, Martha Kohn, M. Lee Gerdelman, Diane Meyer,

Paul called the meeting to order @ 6:10 pm.

Minutes from May 24 and June 28 could not be approved due to a lack of a quorum of the committee. Punit asked that Paul e-mail the minutes to committee members so they can approve them through an e-mail response.

Recycling Program for Businesses and Restaurants

The group discussed the need to understand the level of interest and level of activity in businesses and restaurants for recycling in the City of Clayton. The attendees stated that a questionnaire for businesses and restaurants would help guide our path in developing the program. Paul will prepare a draft for next meeting.

Items in the questionnaire should include:

- Are you recycling and what are you recycling?
- Define obstacles if no recycling is taking place

We will plan to e-mail the questionnaire to businesses and restaurants.

Ideas for Other Environmental Initiatives

1. Green issue of City Views.
2. Can streetlights be turned off early to conserve electric?
3. Use compact florescent bulbs in all city buildings. Assess the level of energy efficiency on building facilities.
4. Add recycling containers next to trash cans on city right of way.

5. Develop a program to facilitate additions of green roofs in the City of Clayton. Kelley Lucket can provide information on Green Roof Blocks at a cost of \$10-\$15 per square foot over the regular cost of a new roof. The City should provide some type of incentive for going the green roof path. Tim Wonish of the School District should be contacted to see if the school district would be receptive to this idea.
6. Parking surfaces should be supplemented by trees and islands to add green space. Also, use of pervious concrete should be used where possible.
7. Develop a Citizen Award for businesses and homeowners that make "Green" improvements.
8. Provide preferred parking for hybrid vehicles at parking meters and lots. (This is a formal recommendation by the committee)
9. Utilize hybrid rentals for city purposes in the next budget year.
10. Talk to Washington University about hydrogen powered busses.
11. Investigate ways the AB can help bars and restaurants to recycle plastic, glass and aluminum.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday, August 23, 2007 from 6 PM to 7 PM at Clayton City Hall. Agenda items should be sent to Paul.

cc: Michael Schoedel, City Manager
Lenore Toser-Aldaz, Deputy City Manager
June Waters, City Clerk