

THE GREEN INITIATIVE CITIZENS TASK FORCE

Meeting Minutes of March 4, 2010

7:30 am • Leawood City Hall • 4800 Town Center Drive; Leawood, KS • Main Conference Room

Members in Attendance:

Debra Filla, Chair, Camille Croteau, Jennifer Hassler, Cindy Thesing, and KO Strohbehn.

Members Absent:

Julie Cain, Paula Cornwell, Paul Duffendack, Alicia Jennings, and Bob Pierson.

Staff Present:

Brian Anderson and Marica Putman.

Guests:

None.

The Green Initiative Citizens Task Force Committee meeting came to order at 7:48 am.

Topic: Approval of today's meeting Agenda.

- Committee members commented on the agenda items.

Topic: Approval of the Past Meeting Minutes

- The minutes of February 4 were not approved; quorum was not met.

Topic: Email or Phone Preference

- Discussed member's preference for email or phone meeting notification.

Topic: HOA PDF Summary Request

- A request was made to KO Strohbehn to provide a summary that can be easily inserted into a homes association' newsletter. KO Strohbehn will design a PDF that summarizes the HOA's meeting topics and provide this information to homes associations as requested.
- Link the HOA presentation videos to our website.

Topic: HOA Meeting Notes

- Chair Filla received a thank you note from Mayor Peggy Dunn for our involvement and hard work in presenting the HOA meeting.
- A tally of 97 people signed (including staff/volunteers). It is estimated that 85 of the 97 people did come to the meeting.
- Original food count was spot-on. Menu and dessert was great. Room layout was really good.

- Provide vendor tables for waste management companies for the next meeting.
- Provide greeters/ushers for people as they enter so that they can feel more at ease for the meeting.
- Provide a scavenger hunt of getting brochures and enter to win a door prize (maybe the recipient of our next rain garden project, stream team kit, or provide recycling containers).
- Other well liked items included the magnet nametags and the terrariums as centerpieces. Future idea for centerpieces – tie it in with the essay contest is an art project for little kids to paint clay pots to give them away with a plant.

Topic: Stream Team – Jennifer Hassler

- Scheduled meeting cancelled due to logistical problems and generating a list for invitees for anybody that lives along the stream, lake, pond or river. Members discussed the different options of generating the list of invitees before summer.
- Discussed the idea of a Leawood Stream Team on Facebook page to promote communication and to provide information to members.
- 80/20 rule (80% of the mailing list with 20% of the effort). Brian Anderson will check with the engineering people and the may be able to come up with that list.
- A work session will be scheduled if needed.

Topic: Bicycle Friendly Committee – Brian Anderson

- Sub committee met March 3rd. Discussed upcoming events such as the Bicycle Safety 101 class.
- Public Works meeting went well. To be considered a bicycle friendly community, a recommendation was made to have a formal policy that anytime you do formal roadwork (new or reconstruction) that it was reviewed for its multi-use bicycle friendliness. Routes to promote for “Sharing the Road” such as Mission Road and other streets was discussed. A more in-depth conversation follows.
- Also discussed was bike racks. Brian shared some of the new designs for bike racks available.
- Participate in the Party in the Park events (May 2nd). Jill Patton and Alicia Jennings are visiting schools to have a future “Bicycle to School Day”.
- Brian Anderson will work on a proclamation for the Mayor and council to declare it Bicycle to Work Week.

Meeting adjourns at 8:52 am.

Next meeting is April 1st at 7:30 am.

Minutes transcribed by Marica Putman, Administrative Graphics Technician, Parks & Recreation
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