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WEBSTER GROVES GREEN SPACE ADVISORY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES

Date: October 2, 2023

Location: City Hall

Called to Order: 5:00 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:36 p.m.

Next Meeting Date: MONDAY, November 6, 2023, 5:00 p.m. WG City Hall Marsh Room

This meeting will be available to the public in-person, and via teleconference. Instructions on listening through your phone or computer to the teleconference will be made available at www.webstergrovesmo.gov/virtualmeetings. Public comments may be made in-person, virtually via Zoom with the raise hand option. Public comments via zoom will be limited to three minutes.

NAME	PRESENT	ABSENT
Carrie Coyne, Chair	X	
Ginger Garrett	X	
Emily Horton	X	
Bill Hoss	X	
Lizz James	X (Zoom)	
Laura Jordan		X
Joe Oelke		X
Jerry Pinkner		X
Corin Pursell	X	
Emily Hixson Shepherd, Council Liaison	X (zoom)	
Yvonne Steingruby, Staff Liaison	X	

- I. Call to Order (By Carrie Coyne)**
- II. Roll Call**
- III. Motion to approve Meeting Minutes of September 11, 2023** Lizz motioned, Emily Horton 2nd, all approved
- IV. Visitors**
None

V. Old Business

- a. Leave the Leaves update- Carrie sent out an email to the commission members today with an update of \$7 signs now available at the rec plex, and included the flyers that can be printed and shared. WKT covered our initiative in a couple of places in last week's paper- Carrie, Corin and Emily Hixson Shepherd all contributed. Also Carrie and Corin were interviewed for an article in the Webster University Journal.
- <https://websterjournal.com/2023/09/18/why-is-webster-leaving-the-leaves-this-fall/#:~:text=Green%20Space%20proposed%20the%20idea,instead%20of%20raking%20them%20up>.

Jen Starkey has helped tremendously with the signs, flyers and website updates- thanks Jen! webstergrovesmo.gov/leavetheleaves

- b. Green Our City- Carrie, Joe and Yvonne are all working hard to make sure all is in place and ready to go for our tree planting on 10/7. Meeting at rec plex at 8:45am to be sure all is set for the team planters coming at 9am. Trees being delivered this week on 10/3, and holes are being dug. Vera at Public Works confirmed Andre is helping with everything and we are on schedule. There will be a sign out sheet for tools, Carrie will take a pic of each sheet to have a digital copy. Feel free to bring own tools too. Lizz made tree care sheets for every homeowner. Joe made amazing packets for each team that include maps and directions to the next planting on the list.

Teams are:

Ginger/Tessa/Scouts

Corin/Andre/Scouts

Joe/Laura/Jason Jordan

Carrie/Steve Coyne

Lizz/Mike Albers/Scouts

Emily Horton photographer/Emily Hixson Shepherd

- c. Make a Difference Day- Saturday October 28, 2023. Three projects so far going into Civic Rec for volunteer sign-ups that Jen Starkey will promote on City's website: 1. Honeysuckle sweep (need 30 people) at Lorraine Davis 2. Trash Bash (need 20 people) at Lorraine Davis/Shady Creek/Deer Creek 3. Dig up annuals that Rotary Club normally does but is unable to this year. More projects will be announced as they are added to the list.
- d. Native Garden Volunteer Leads- everyone needs to help. Carrie has developed a spreadsheet with Yvonne's help, GSAC members need to sign-up. She gave a print out of an example of what we need to be submitting to Katie Kearbey for the Civic Rec site. We need to encourage folks to go to the Green Keepers and Civic

Rec to sign up to volunteer. Groups should aim for 1.5 hours, and communicate with the rec center to see how many folks are signed up, communicate with Yvonne if you need staff help/tools/etc. Also, be sure to have folks sign the waiver.

VII. Council Update- At council meeting tomorrow, the Good Neighbor Awards will be given out. They will also be discussing the bond measure for the pool/Parks and Rec/bird & butterfly sanctuary areas/ball fields/Dark Sky.

VIII. City Liaison Update- New playground going in at Blackburn and new doors, new pavilion at Ivory Crocket as well as new playground pieces and new drinking fountain for pets and new picnic tables. Now is the time to take pictures of potential Trees of Distinction!

Meeting adjourned 5:36pm

IX. Next meeting: 11/6/2023 at 5:00 pm, WG City Hall Marsh Room (It is located through the front doors of City Hall and directly to the right.)

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