



Buffalo Grove Park District **Environmental Action Team**

Minutes May 22, 2013 Meeting

CALL TO ORDER

Jeff Weiss called the meeting to order at 7 pm.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND TEAM MEMBERS

The team members were introduced.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as written.

REVIEW OF SET UP FOR GREEN FAIR, JUNE 30

There was a discussion about how the Green Fair will be set up on June 30 at Mike Rylko Community Park.

REVIEW OF RIVERWATCH TRAINING

Jeff displayed the sampling kit that will be used for the Riverwatch activities in Buffalo Creek. The EAT members who attended the Riverwatch training were Debi Moritz, Mark Steuer, Martha Weiss and Jeff Weiss. The purpose of the sampling is to create a diversity index of macro invertebrates and their tolerance level to know the health of the water in the Buffalo Creek watershed.

Project Dates for 2013

- a. June 23 – Farmers’ market booth to promote EAT and Green Fair – Mark will be there all day, but other members are encouraged to come and help out.
- b. June 30 – Green Fair at the Farmers’ Market
- c. August 29 – September 2 – BG Days Recycling
- d. Seed collecting date in fall to be determined

Member Updates

Susan will ask the Village about their plans for recycling at the BG Days event and if there will be a booth for non-profits at the event.

There was a discussion about the downtown proposal and the engineering plans regarding the flood plains in light of the recent flooding event.

Jill was at the Greenfest at Navy Pier this past weekend. Ford offered a \$500 grant for non-profits who then presented their projects at the event and the public voted to pick the winners.

The Buffalo Grove garden club has extra tomatoes that Susie would like to contribute to community gardening.

Jay started a discussion about banning plastic bags. His church is celebrating its 50th anniversary and the members were looking for community involvement. Suggestions were offered.

Doug will be coordinating with the Village about EAT volunteering in the September 15th recycling event.

Buffalo Creek Clean Water Partnership Update

Jeff gave an update on the water partnership.

Next Meeting

The next meeting will be on June 27 to discuss the Green Fair.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15 pm.