



Buffalo Grove Park District
Environmental Action Team

Meeting Minutes
March 11, 2015

CALL TO ORDER

Jeff Weiss called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

INTRODUCTION OF GUESTS AND TEAM MEMBERS

The team members introduced themselves.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved.

RYLKO PARK WORKDAY – MAY 16

There will be a community workday at Mike Rylko Community Park from 9 am to noon. Martha will develop a flyer for distribution to many groups. Please meet on the trail east of the Buffalo Grove Fitness Center near Deerfield Parkway. The Lake County Stormwater Management Commission has awarded a \$500 grant for this event.

SEMI ANNUAL ADOPT A HIGHWAY CLEANUPS

It was decided that the dates for the cleanups will be April 26 and October 18 from 9 am until completed. Please meet at the north parking lot of the BG train station.

DEER GROVE WEST EARTH DAY CELEBRATION – APRIL 18

This event will feature U.S. Representative Tammy Duckworth as the speaker.

4th ANNUAL GREEN FAIR – JUNE 28

Debi will be sending out correspondences to last year's vendors and she needs volunteers for the fair. In addition to the Farmer's Market, there will be a community art fair near the golf dome on June 28. She asked for volunteers to help promote the Green Fair for two farmers market days, June 14 and June 21.

MEMBER UPDATES

Stan said that there is a great program called Plants of Concern that is coordinated by the Chicago Botanic Garden in partnership with local, state, federal, and nonprofit agencies. They engage a diverse, dedicated group of citizen scientists to monitor endangered, threatened, and rare plants in the Chicago area. Jill said that they have made three quarts of maple syrup at

Ryerson Woods. She said that Green Drinks, an informal networking group for people interest in the environment, is having their initial meeting in this area on June 9, at 6:30 at the new O'Toole's pub in Libertyville. They will be meeting on the second Tuesday of each month.

BUFFALO CREEK CLEAN WATER PARTNERSHIP

Jeff gave an update on the Buffalo Creek Clean Water Partnership. The next meeting is March 19, and then April 29. There will be two opportunities to participate in Riverwatch activities on May 23 and May 30. Contact Jeff if you would like to participate.

NEXT MEETINGS

The next EAT meetings will be on April 22 and May 20.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm.