

# Buffalo Grove Environmental Action TEAM

Meeting minutes November 2, 2010

The meeting was called to order at 7 pm. We welcomed members

Jerry Meyerhoff

Jeff and Linda Spitz

Jay Jayaplan

Jill Stites

Debi Moritz

Mark Steurer

Susan Levy

Tony Schaefer

Deenie Pomilia

Jeff Weiss

Susan Levy

Steve and Mary White

## Recap of October events

1. Native plantings at Rylko Park. We planted several trays of prairie plants in our adopted area near the Fitness Center. According to Jeff, more work planned for spring!
2. Bike Event for the Global Work Party on 10/10/10 inspired by 350.org. A range of exhibits plus 60 bikes donated to Working Bikes Cooperative to highlight what we can do to reduce greenhouse gases! As a follow up, Wendy recommended participation in the Million Letter March to generate support for legislation will prevent global climate change. Go to <http://www.millionlettermarch.org/> to participate.
3. Adopt-a-highway road cleanup. Linda reported on some new innovations for the event, including using plastic buckets instead of trash bags and working both sides of the street in order to reduce the duration of the cleanup.
4. Electronics recycling at Siemens. Tony recapped the event and congratulated the Team for their part in collecting 45-50,000 pounds of hardware on a rainy Saturday! He is confident that Siemens will be willing to host similar events in the future.

## Committee reports

1. Membership – our email list now totals 87 members. Jeff will circulate a membership list of the 20 or so members who regularly attend meetings or events.
2. Publicity – .We have finalized our mission statement and will add a sentence about how we work together to complete revisions to our web and Facebook pages. Jeff will send updates to Jill and the Park District. We also discussed our ad in the quarterly park district brochure.

Deenie offered to become administrator of our Facebook page. Jeff to contact Jess to discuss transition. <http://www.facebook.com/group.php?gid=163335083683627>. Tony noted that we can get a page name if we get over 25 visitors who like the site.

3. Recycling. Jeff reported a conversation with Mike Brink, the local rep from Waste Management. Susie will follow up to schedule a visit to the recycling facility in Grayslake. We will meet with him to discuss improvements in our recycling program for BG Days in April. We will discuss ideas for community outreach on this topic at our next meeting.

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4. Alternative energy demo station. We discussed Steve White's proposal to install solar and wind demo stations. We should involve multiple groups, especially schools, in sponsorship for this project. Wendy, Susan and Jerry volunteered to work with Steve and Jeff to prepare material for discussion at our next meeting.

Susan offered to have another holiday pot luck dinner at her home. We will finalize the date at the next meeting, which we scheduled for December 2 at 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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