

Buffalo Grove Park District Environmental Action Team

Meeting Minutes Thursday, August 15, 2013 7:00 pm - Alcott Center

Call to Order

Martha Weiss called the meeting to order at 7 pm. Jeff Weiss arrived late because of a conflict.

Introduction of Guests and Team Members

The team members were introduced.

Approval of Agenda

There were no additions to the Agenda.

Riverwatch Update

The date for use of a laboratory to identify the specimens obtained from Buffalo Creek is still to be finalized, but September 7th is a possibility.

Project Dates for 2013

- a. August 31 BG Days Booth from Noon to 2:00 the booth will be by the Daily Herald, near the Public Works
- b. Saturday, September 14, 2013 electronic recycling and document destruction event at the parking lot behind Banner Plumbing, 151 Hastings Lane, from 9 a.m. to noon – 4 or 5 volunteers are needed for traffic control.
- c. Adopt-A-Highway fall cleanup date October 12 10 am start.
- d. Fall seed collecting date to be determined Jeff will be asking when Boy Scout Troop 140 will be doing their road cleanup so that we can coordinate the date to be the same as theirs.

Member Updates

a. Josh Hatch has been writing a blog for two years about topics that may interest members: <u>http://www.carryingawaysmallstones.blogspot.com/</u>

a. Thanks to Michael Barth, BG EAT group is now on <u>meetup.com</u>. The following link is to the <u>meetup.com</u> group so please sign up to be reminded about meetings and events: <u>http://www.meetup.com/Buffalo-Grove-Environmental-Action-Group/</u>

Buffalo Creek Clean Water Partnership Update

Jeff Weiss reported that the group has been very active. Several volunteer events have been conducted including RiverWatch monitoring of macro-invertebrates (insects, worms, crayfish, clams, etc.) and water quality monitoring. A grant for \$104,000 has been received for extensive watershed planning and work will start on it soon.

Next Meeting

It was decided that the next meeting should be Wednesday, September 25.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Mission Statement – The Environmental Action Team of Buffalo Grove strives to raise awareness, improve our community's natural environment and encourage sustainability practices for present and future generations.