

## ESC MEETING MINUTES JUNE 24, 2013 **DRAFT**

Attending: Merrie Stillpass, Tom Muething, Scott Heizman, Josephine Rosenblum, Ed Hattenbach, Natalie Wolf, Charles Grossman

- 1) Rain garden maintenance
  - Tom will discuss with Steve Rasfeld re: the lack of maintenance this past spring
- 2) Fall program - education/speaker/field experience
  - a) Cancer walk? Natalie checked with Chief Wallace and no real plans have been made for the event.
  - b) Try to double up with AG Garden of cancer event?
  - c) Check Bengal's schedule to avoid conflict.
  - d) October 20?
  - e) Suggestions/ideas for fall Program: Tree walk, French Park history tour with Michael George, activity stations around AG tied to tree identification and other nature education
- 3) Ice cream social info table – August 18
  - a) Consolidate handouts to include web links for:
    - i) Green umbrella info
    - ii) Tree Diseases: ie. eab, alb
    - iii) deer resistant /native plants
    - iv) Composting
    - v) brush pick up/collection
    - vi) mulch from AV
    - vii) rain gardens
  - b) ESC Notebook including list of ESC projects/initatives
  - c) Tree purchase program interest - Collect info to gauge interest/buying power to approach nursery for #4 below
- 4) Tree purchase program
  - a) Looked at previous years. Partners included City of Cincinnati, TLC
    - Merrie will check with City to see if we can partner with them. Approximately 55 trees were purchased by residents through that relationship
  - b) promote at Ice Cream Social: city program if available to us; and collect names for potential nursery if we can get enough residents to have "buying power"
- 5) TCUSA requirements
  - a) Check with Steve Rasfeld - Are we going to ,meet hours=dollars without green clearing?
- 6) Remaining 2013 meeting schedule: July 22 Aug 26 Sept 23 Oct 28
  - a) *Please mark your calendars!*
- 7) Other:
  - a) Josephine Rosenblum suggested AV better defines brush collection parameters and methods.
    - i) Tom will discuss with appropriate staff
  - b) Merrie will post Chuck Grossman's article on "no see um's and mosquitoes" on Next Door Neighbor