

PPA Environment Committee Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, March 8, 2022
6:30-8:00 pm

Present: Mary Britton, Kathleen Davis, Lydia McEnerney, Jennie Michlitsch

Introductions/ Approve the Agenda

Earth Month Cleanup 2022 Lydia

Clean up will begin on Saturday, April 9th. Lydia has sent notice of neighborhood cleanup event to the PPA-list and PPA March and April Newsletters. Participants can pick up supplies at one of four locations. Bridal Veil Park, Mary and Jim, Tower Hill, Kathleen, East River Road Parkway, Lydia and Luxton Park, Steve and staff. Prizes of \$25 gift card awarded to one person in 6 categories (pre-school, grades 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12 and 19-25). Wrap up is Saturday, April 23rd with prizes awarded that day.

Community Driven fundraiser April 23 Mary

Mary is hosting a fundraiser at her house on April 23rd for Community Driven MN. <https://community-driven.org/> This organization is a foodshare program that has been rescuing large amounts of surplus food from local groceries and restaurants and delivering it to local food shelves and soup kitchens since May, 2019. All members of the Environment committee and everyone in the neighborhood are invited.

Garden/Home Energy Walk Lydia

Lydia reports that at this point, the PPA Environment Committee will partner with the PPA Garden Club for the annual garden/ home energy walk. The walk will include homes with renewable energy, insulation projects, solar panels, heat pumps and other projects. The walk could also include the pollinator garden and will focus on gardens south of Franklin. Lydia will discuss the walk with the Garden Club at the next monthly meeting. Mary noted that she would like to get renters more involved in the event.

Hennepin County Tree Sale Mary

Mary queried whether the group knew of any restoration area that could use planted trees. The county is selling bundles of 25 small trees. No one did.