

**City of New Port Richey Environmental Committee  
Minutes for September 28, 2015**

Meeting called to order at 6:08 pm.

1. **Vox Pop** - None.
2. **In attendance:** Present were Committee Chair Dell deChant, Barbara Sullo, alternate Amber Blais, Audrey Voss, alternate Cindy Cadle, Secretary Jon Tietz, Kacey Atkinson. Kira Atkinson, Vice Chair Rose Mohr, and City Liaison Doreen Summers were absent. Val Kukalone was present as a guest.
3. **Vox Pop.** None.
4. **Approval of the minutes from July.** Without objection the minutes stand approved from July.

**Business of the Committee - Ongoing**

5. **Vox Pop.** None.
6. **Urban Farming** - Audrey Voss said that no new applications have been received but that ground has been broken at the Grand Boulevard (5721 Grand Boulevard) community garden, called "Grand Gardens." There is a "Grand Grand Opening" of that community garden on October 7th from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM.
7. **Vox Pop.**
8. **City Liaison Report** - There was no liaison report as City Liaison Doreen Summers was absent.
9. **Discussion of Fall Quarterly Program.** The Committee discussed being a sponsor of the community garden grand opening at 5721 Grand Boulevard. Jon made a motion and Kacey seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The event will feature milkweed and a ladybug release.
10. **Vox Pop.**
11. **Pasco County Food Policy Council.** Dell said there is a meeting this Wednesday--the second such meeting. Dell said there is a county wide community garden ordinance up for discussion.
12. **Vox Pop.**
13. **Proposals to Council** - General discussion of items previously suggested.

**Additional Items Discussed.**

14. **Environmental Committee Proposals to City Council:**
  - a. Adoption of land use for Urban Farming
  - b. More garbage cans downtown, at parks, and at the city's bridges as well as installation of fishing line disposal units.
15. **Discussion of Proposal Presentation** - Action
16. **Garden Bizarre Block Party** - Saturday, October 17th 4 PM - 9 PM on Virginia Avenue
17. **Soul Shine Family Arts Center Grand Opening** - Noon to 4 PM is on Grand Boulevard above Rose's Bistro off Main.
18. **Milkweed Festival** - October 26th at St. Mark's National Wildlife Refuge. They received

a \$10,000 grant to restore the location. Monarch Butterfly Festival on October 24th.

**19. Adjournment.** Without objection the committee stands adjourned at 7:18 PM.