

Rose Roots Garden Monthly Meeting Minutes

Oct 5, 2020, 6 pm at Rose Roots Garden behind East Shed Recorded by Erin Newton

In attendance: Kendra Eliason, Erin Newton, Gary Williams, Karel Hemler, Theresa McKinney, Patty Sacks, Laura Bennett, Barb Mutnan, Jim and Linda Richards, John Molido, Master Gardener Voni, and master Gardener Katie

6:10 Meeting called to Order

6:15 Minutes approved unanimously

Membership Report:

- -Stained kiosk, benches and tables
- -Service hours could be done at children's sandbox
- -Laura will invite everyone who needs Service Hours to paint next Sat.
- -Laura will remind people of \$7/per service hours not completed.
- -25 members on waitlist. We had 30 new gardeners this year, but many have expressed they might not renew so we should continue to advertise.
- -Hours could be emailed to membership@roserootsgarden.org
- **-It was Moved** and Seconded that Members with 2 plots, will be reduced to one plot if they don't have 12 hours per plot or have paid for the missing Service Hours by end of season on Nov 1. **The motion passed** unanimously.

Operations Report:

- -Weeding needed along posts to keep integrity of crusher fines.
- -Watch for hoses on clearance
- -Check hose stands during winter maintenance
- -Purchase final wood and get invoices to Karel.

Communications Report:

- -Laura Bennett will ask Arvada Report to do a promotional article again next year.
- -Theresa tested we don't have strong AT and T or Verizon signals and hot spots don't work. Ian suggested getting an extender from a nearby garden. Zoom or Google Meet call would work without video.
- -It was suggested gardeners could donate extra time to help neighbors harvest if they already have their 12 Service Hours completed.

Treasurer Report:

- -\$5,000 in general fund
- -\$1800 snooze and general donations
- -\$500 will still go to lean-to

- -Now is a time to consider purchasing compost experiment area, raise more beds, hoses, etc.
- -Already deducted printed materials and Wix website premium plan renewal

Unfinished Business

Leadership Team Nominations:

-All five nominations for elected positions are unopposed:

President: Erin Newton Vice-President: Patty Sacks Administrator: Laura Bennett Treasurer: Karel Hemler Membership: Kendra Eliason

It was moved and seconded to send the ballot out from Oct 7-17 and announce new leadership at the year end party. **The motion passed** unanimously.

End of Year Party: Seasons End Open House Song Fest-Oct 18, 1-3 pm

1-2 musicians

2-3 musicians

3-4 musicians

Painting and Staining: Sat Oct 3, 10-1 pm

- -Paint the Lean-to, Shed painted and pergola and chairs stained.
- -Paint colors sent around and voted on at meeting. Paint West barn next year.
- -Stain Compost bins: Two master gardeners recommended no staining for health reasons.
- -Need 3 gal of paint at \$50/gal. Kendra and Patty will discuss discounts they can secure.

Food donation Update:

-1880 total for the year. Expect 2000 by end of year. Will not be giving more to Hope House as they have their own gardens.

New Business

Garden Closure:

- -What if people don't clean plot? Some things can be left like root veggies.
- -DUG needs to take membership fees (gardeners donate optionally at beginning of year). Appx \$1000 will be donated to DUG. \$25 deposit will be required next year.
- -Shelf with envelope is in barn to give checks for Service Hours payments next to box to receive payments.

Compost Experiment (directions for gardeners):

- -North Side put metal and wood outside dumpster.
- -South side put compostable items.

-inside dumpster put diseased plants, seeds, sunflowers, rose bushes, hoses and anything not compostable.

Meeting Adjourned at 7:10 pm