

SHEBOYGAN AVE COMMUNITY GARDEN – Garden Board ad hoc Subcommittee Meeting

Date: April 12, 2016

Location: Monticello Community Room

Time: 6:00PM – 8:00PM

Attendees: Pat Soderholm, Ruth Cadoret, Jim Baumann (new board member), Yuhua Li, Geren Zhang, Jim Dudley, Leann Tigges

Previous meeting minutes approved? tabled until next full board meeting

MEETING MINUTES

A. New Garden Design: design layouts have been narrowed to three designs. Consensus was reached to proceed with “Option 1” with aisle circulation running E/W and N/S. The main entrance will be the south entrance modified to incorporate main entrance design of “Option 3”. Service gates will be located in the NE corner. A secondary gate will be installed midway along the east perimeter. Many thanks to all those who contributed to the specifications of the new garden plot layout!

There was interest to develop aisles of clover; however, the logistics of plowing, adding 40CY of compost, tilling, clover planting and clover protection rendered the idea infeasible this year. Board approved City of Madison free wood chips for the aisles; soil will be removed and cardboard placed before wood chips are distributed. Statz is prepared to order the chips.

Fence installation specifications recommend concrete at each pole base. Due to cost, only the perimeter corner posts and gate posts will receive concrete. Installation methods of the other posts are still under consideration.

Additional garden design components will be addressed at the next board meeting.

B. Registration 2016: Gardeners in good standing were asked to be placed in “future” status for this gardening season if they have access to alternative sunny place to garden. The number of gardeners who indicated “future” status is substantial (and wonderful). Registration packets will be distributed to all gardeners other than “future” and “did not respond to survey or follow-up email”. A couple ADA waivers were allowed. The approved garden layout will accommodate 50-55 plots of approximately 98 square feet of space (7’x14’).

C. Park Division Flower Program: subcommittee of Pat Soderholm, Ruth Cadoret, and Michael Peterson will select perennials and annuals for application and will focus on 1] Rennebohm Park sign at the corner of Eau Claire Avenue and Regent Street and 2] three crabapples located SE of tennis courts. Flower Program identified volunteers will be Pat Soderholm, Jim Dudley, Michael Peterson, Ruth Cadoret, and Melissa Baumann. Application is due 4/20/16.

Adjournment