Sheboygan Avenue Community Garden

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1) Reports

A. Treasurer

- a. Balance Sheet was reviewed and discussed.
- b. Current balance \$12,492. Two more checks need to be deposited.
- c. Cindy has receipts to submit yet.

B. Registrar

- a. Plot 29, 10, 13 are open.
- b. About 12 people on the waiting list
- C. Timekeeper
- D. Plot Monitor
 - a. Four plots are not ready to garden. They have been contacted.
 - b. Three gardeners have been contacted for violations.

2) Unfinished Business

- A. Rennebohm Water Service progress and bib location
 - a. Underground piping is in.
 - b. Decision needs to be made who to use for the final work. Will get a quote from Chris Elkin to compare to Pertzborn quote.
 - c. Frank Allis School Community Garden will take our water tank once our water is all in.
- B. Formal response to grants
 - a. Pictures were taken of the plumbing installation. Will get pictures of when Frank Allis School Community Garden picks up tank. Thank you presentation will be made for Evjue and City of Madison.
- C. Flower Program implementation
 - a. Planting was done at Rennebohm sign.
 - b. Will continue to plant at sign and near garden this weekend.
 - c. Herb garden will be herbs and edible flowers.
- D. Garden Handbook on line Jim Dudley will laminate a copy for the shed
- E. City of Madison study of additional garden space next steps
 - a. Jim Bauman provided talking points to support 2018 garden expansion
 - 1. Size plots are very small 100 sq. ft.
 - 2. Consider doubling size to 200 sq. ft.
 - 3. Other gardens researched all had larger plots.
 - 4. 1500 sq. ft. additional for current garden population.
 - 5. Present arrangement does not allow movement because aisles are narrow.
 - 6. May want compost area and/or public area as well.
 - 7. Current location now has water service and allows for expansion.
 - 8. Gardening provides recreation in a densely populated neighborhood.
 - 9. Need to contact new Alder Arvina Martin and Nan Fey and George Reistad of Madison Food Policy Council.
- F. 2017 Garden Planning for remaining open space
- G. Compost bin/s in the garden
 - a. Bin donation offer has been made, however it is too small for the garden.
 - b. Cindy will look into Hill Farms organic compost program with rolling bins for weekly pickup.
- 3) New Business
- A. Use Leann's sign with slash through carrot burglar.
- B. Yuhau Li and Jim Dudley will make laminated garden ID cards.
- C. Plant donation will be made from Shorewood on June 12.
- D. June 17 work day.
- E. June 24th 11-1pm garden open house Summer Solstice brunch and music invite new alder, Nan, George, Community Groundworks and Evjue. Watermelon feed and invite neighborhood.