

Sheboygan Avenue Community Garden
Date: September 28, 2017
Location: Monticello Community Room
Time: 6pm-8pm

MEETING MINUTES

Attendees: Jim Baumann, Jim Dudley, Pat Soderholm, Cindy Statz, Geren Zhang
Previous meeting minutes:

I. Reports

- A. Treasurer: \$7122.49 with reimbursements pending
- B. Registrar: no report
- C. Timekeeper: 7-8 with no community work hours; email will be sent. Contact Pat Soderholm for independent tasks.
- D. Plot Monitor: no report

II. Unfinished Business

- A. Rennebohm Water Service – progress, bib locations, and payments: City of Madison Parks Department approved in writing to authorize \$5000 Pertzborn Plumbing payment from garden. Statz notified George Reistad to facilitate City of Madison \$6400 payment. Parks Department will winterize and open garden water service; no community garden involvement is required. The hoses at two locations are hard to handle; consider purchasing new, more pliable hoses in spring 2018.
- B. Formal response to grants: time to finalize and send.
- C. City of Madison study of additional garden space: Board of Park Commissioner and Board of Public Works approved the City staff study. Madison Food Policy Council will consider on 10/4 and Common Council will consider on 10/17/17 the city staff report, Legistar #42334, recommending three sites for potential additional garden space:
 - Bordner Park, Site B
 - Indian Hills Park, Site F
 - Rennebohm Park, Site J

The public review process will follow and will be defined using the City's Racial Equity and Social Justice process to ensure full and diverse engagement in time for the 2018 gardening season. Common Council will consider approval of \$60,000 budget funding for potential additional space in early October.

- D. Signage and identification tags: are working!
- E. City of Madison usage of weed killer in city parks: Flower Program plantings have been adversely affected by City of Madison usage of weed killer in public parks. Garden will request Safety Data Sheets for review.

III. New Business

- A. Fall Meeting & Potluck planning: West Madison Senior Center community room is no longer available due to program changes. SACG selected Mount Olive Lutheran Church as new location.
- B. Flower Program: need to develop a more sustainable plan for the Rennebohm Park entrance sign.
- IV. Announcements: additional work day, 11/4, will be scheduled due to mild weather conditions; gardeners may continue to harvest growing plants.
- V. Adjournment