

Sheboygan Avenue Community Garden Board Meeting Minutes

Date: May 20, 2021 Time: 7:00 pm to 8:05 pm

Location: Virtual Conference Call

Attendees: Jim Baumann; Julie Grim; Ruth Cadoret, Jim Dudley; Pat Soderholm; Geran Zhang; Yuaha Li, Cindy Statz, Special Guest Nicholas Leete from Rooted.

1. Acceptance of past meeting minutes:
 - A. 4/22/2021 Minutes approved.

2. Reports:
 - A. Treasurer – Will send spreadsheet to Garden Board of 2020 expenditures.
 - B. Registrar – Per Jim B., one ground plot and 2 raised beds are open with several people on waiting list. Jim B. will contact prospective gardeners in order of request.
 - C. Plot Monitor - nothing to report.
 - D. Timekeeper – Gardeners are willing and ready to make up their hours.

3. Business:
 - A. 40th Year Celebration:
 - Date: July 17, 2021.
 - Location: Oscar Rennebohm Park Shelter.
 - Time: Shelter reserved 10 am to 3 pm with celebration 11am to 1 pm.
 - Who to invite: Possibilities discussed.
 - Current Gardeners
 - Rooted
 - George Reistad – Economics Division Director
 - Parks Dept. – Nan Fay
 - Alderperson
 - Jack Kloppenburg – former gardener
 - Joe Mathers – Community Action Coalition (CAC)
 - Invitation placed on posters in park? Newspapers? City Actions Website?
 - Food: Bottled water, Possible individual ice creams, possibly watermelon slices or cake – depending on current CDC Guidelines. Attendees welcome to bring their own food.
 - Commemoration item: Bench that converts into table. Motion made and carried to increase our 2021 budget by \$300 in order to purchase two Bench/Tables for the garden. Plaques to place on benches discussed with

one plaque to commemorate the garden's 40th anniversary and the other plaque to be decided.

- Cindy Statz to be Lead Coordinator for garden celebration. Cindy will review old pictures, newspaper articles and other memorabilia.
- Music discussed. Possibly request live entertainers, possibly do recorded music, or do a mixture of both.
- Door prizes suggested, games, fun items.
- Jim B. to investigate if the UW Extension office has a display that we can borrow regarding gardening for the education of attendees.

B. Other items:

- Saturday 5/22/21 – several gardeners to plant/weed around the Oscar Rennebohm Park Memorial from 9 am to 11 am.
- Note: Grace Bartels celebrates 25 years of being a gardener at the Sheboygan Avenue Community Garden.
- Garden to re-open regularly scheduled workdays. The first workday will be on June 19th.

Announcements:

- A. Next meeting date: Thursday June 24, 2021 in person at Coordinator Jim Baumann's back yard screened area: 7:00 to 8:00 pm. If any person wishes to call in to the meeting, this option will be available as well.

Minutes recorded by: Julie Grim, Secretary
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