

Sheboygan Avenue Community Garden Board Meeting Minutes

Date: November 6, 2021 Time: 10:45 am to 11:55 am

Location: Sheboygan Community Garden

Attendees: Jim Baumann; Julie Grim; Ruth Cadoret, Jim Dudley; Geran Zhang; Pat Soderholm

1. Acceptance of past meeting minutes:
 - A. August Meeting - Minutes approved.
 - B. September – Minutes approved.

2. Reports:
 - A. Treasurer – Nothing to report.
 - B. Registrar – Prior Registrar not present. Garden Co-Ordinator Jim Baumann will obtain gardener waiting list for 2022. (20+ people on waiting list for 2022) Cindy Statz will help streamline registration online and will work remotely in 2022.
 - C. Plot Monitor – Currently this position is vacant for 2022.
 - D. Timekeeper – Before the workday on 11/6/21 59 gardeners had met their requirement. 16 gardeners had no time recorded.

3. Business:
 - A. Cindy Statz's videos have been placed on YouTube. Look at Email/Newsletter and click on the link provided to view the videos.
 - B. Timekeeper will email Coordinator with a list of gardeners with less than one hour of time recorded. Coordinator will follow up with these gardeners.
 - C. Election of Board Members for 2022 will be done electronically.
 - D. Closing of Garden for 2021 is mostly done. Gates have been taken from the fence. The Shed will be locked for winter a few days prior to Thanksgiving. The Gardens stakes are all accounted for. An email will go out from Coordinator with the date of the last curbside pick-up – this will include the request that gardeners should leave items NEATLY in their plot, nothing brightly painted should be left hanging on fence posts. #19 in Garden Handbook will be amended next year to state that tomato cages and other items can remain NEATLY in plots.
 - E. Coordinator will investigate the contract for making conference calls in 2022 so we can do meetings via computer.
 - F. In 2022, the Board will put the list of work dates (and alternate rain dates) on the Garden Sign as well as on the website and in the garden handbook.
 - G. If gardeners have unkempt/abandoned plots, the garden board has the authority to intervene as per #13 in Garden Handbook. A request was made that in 2022 the

Garden Handbook could be updated to clarify what constitutes “Proper notice” to a gardener. Suggestions that a reminder in the Garden Newsletter plus mass emails to gardeners that they need to remove noxious weeds, thistles, etc. does constitute proper notice.

- H. Even if community work hours are fulfilled, if there is a garden where the Board needs to intervene by pulling thistles, noxious weeds, etc., then that plot’s gardener will be charged an extra hour to their community work requirement. This will emphasize that the gardeners need to keep their plot clean and tended.

Announcements:

- A. Next meeting date: Thursday January 27, 2022

Minutes recorded by: Julie Grim, Secretary
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