**Clarkston Community Garden**

**General Meeting Minutes of**

**February 14, 2017**

Attending: John Freeman, Nancy Freeman, Carol Hammond, Janie Roberts, Ken Roberts, Jackson Vance-Matthews, Jackie Wahl

Events planned:

1. Seed Swap Feb 18th from 9 am to 1 pm held at the Clarkston Lion’s Club, 615 ½ Sycamore, Clarkston.
2. Plant Sale- April 29, 2017 at the Clarkston Albertson’s parking lot. 9:00 am to 2:00 pm.
3. Ken will cordon off the section of parking lot that we will be using the night of April 28.
4. Tables and plants will be set up on the morning of April 29th.
5. The canopy for the cashier will be set up in the middle of the space.
6. We will have gallon sized plants for $3. And small pots for $1.
7. Ken will bring 2 six foot tables for the Bee section of the sale
8. We will have to collect small cardboard boxes before the sale
9. Nancy will take care of the change

We would appreciate any and all donations of plants, or garden related materials. Please label all plants. We can’t sell the plants if we don’t know what they are. Please label with the variety of ie: tomatoes Early Girl. We can usually tell it is a tomato, but not the variety.

John went to George’s Lock and Key. We need new locks for the garden. The old locks are getting very hard to turn. We will need 4 locks at $13.00 each. These locks have numbers large enough for people with poor eyesight to see, and easy enough to turn that people with arthritis will have no trouble turning the dials.

Motion to purchase: made by Janie, seconded by Jackson

We will need to purchase some new hoses this year. Janie will call Sears to see about their price and guarantee for 5/8” 50’ hoses.

If there is a problem with water anywhere in the garden (sprinkler heads broken, pipe broken, etc.) please let one of the board members know so that the problem can be fixed.

We need to harvest for the food bank twice a week, but can only get enough volunteers for once a week.

Carol donated a trailer full of horse manure for the charity beds. This will help greatly with the fertilizer problem. Thank you, Carol.

John would like to make another arbor out of wire and grow grapes.

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We will advertise in the Moneysaver about bed rentals, hoping to rent more beds than last year. We will be keeping the same prices as last year.

Bank balance:

Beginning Ending

Checking $1,865.23 $1,794.53

Savings $ 458.30 $ 458.40

We receive periodically from Pacific Steel and Recycling because people donate the proceeds from their recycled materials. This is much appreciated.

We will be calling companies such as Schweitzer Engineering to see if we can recruit volunteers for the garden.