

## **Clarkston Community Garden**

### **Minutes of General Meeting**

**March 17, 2022**

Attending: Richard Adams, Dan Cease, Carol Hammond, Rod Larson, Peggy Madonia, Janie Roberts, Ken Roberts, Linda Starace, Janet Short, Tana Turcott, Tom Turcott

Introduced Dan Cease, discussed installing plaque on the stone at the garden. The plaque will cost \$95.00 plus tax. Dan's mother was the inspiration for starting the Community Garden. This plaque will be 7"x9". Janie will contact KLEW and/or the Tribune so hopefully we can get some coverage of the installation.

Peggy will take care of writing up the history of the garden to present to both the Tribune and KLEW. Dan will take the file up to the engraver.

Motion: Suggested by Carol, seconded by Tana

We will have the plaque engraved. The CCG will pay for the cost up to \$150.00

Passed

Rod Larson had a lot of volunteers come from the Church of Jesus Christ of Later Day Saints to build 8 beds to accommodate members of their church with beds to rent. They built 8 new beds into the U-Pick section of the garden. Thank you, Rod, Cindy, and all the volunteers.

Tana (representing the WSU Asotin County Master Gardeners) asked if it would be possible to rent one of the back beds for the Master Gardeners. She will contact Mark at the Extension Office for approval. Tana also has ideas on a shade garden that we can use in the garden.

We will need row cover, t-posts, hog wire, blocks for new beds, three hoses, and soil.

Because of the squash bugs, we will be growing only butternut and acorn squash this year. Apparently, these varieties are more resistant to the squash bug.

Discussed what price to sell the tomatoes at this year's plant sale. Decided on \$4.00 for four inch pots and \$6.00 for gallon sized.

We also discussed raising the rental price of the beds for 2023. This would reflect a refundable charge of \$5.00 if beds weren't cleaned up at the end of the gardening season.

Tana will make an appointment to talk to JoAnn at the Asotin County Food Bank about possibly getting volunteers.

Our next meeting will be on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the United Methodist Church of Clarkston, 1242 Highland, Clarkston at 6:00 pm. The side entrance is the closest to the meeting room. This will be the room at the top of the stairs. Hope to see everyone there.

