

Clarkston Community Garden

General Meeting Minutes

Of May 21, 2022

Attending: Dick Adams, Kerry Eyman, John Freeman, Peggy Madonia, Janie Roberts, Ken Roberts, Janet Short, Tana Truscott and Tom Truscott

Ken thanked all the people that worked on the plant sales, those actually at the sales, those that helped set up, haul plants, grow plants, and transplant plants. All contributed to the success of the two sales.

Bank Balance: Checking \$9,156.00

 Savings \$1,465.00

Plant sales brought in \$1,768.00.

Ken would like to see more people donating plants for the plant sale, especially flowers.

Flyers need to be posted at various places. Peggy suggested the flyers attract more attention if there is a banner at the top of the flyer. We also need to advertise on the Daily Flyer Buy-Sell-Trade on the radio.

Motion: Peggy suggested, Tana seconded Passed

We pay the bill to bring the Weebly and GoDaddy accounts current.

Janie will pay the bills to keep the Website, clarkstongarden.com up to date.

John brought us up-to-date on the history of the savings account by telling that the account was established to meet unexpected expenses.

New locks: Everyone says that the new locks are easier to use than the old ones.

Peggy suggested that we ask the Eagle Scouts to use the Garden as one of their projects. This church sponsors the Cub Scouts. The Boy Scouts are not currently in operation.

Tana would like to feature the Demo Garden in conjunction with the open house for Dan Cease. Open house and Dan dedication should be on the same day.

Can we fix the wide gate walkway, the wood is deteriorating and a danger.

Tribune activity notices in the 360 must be in by the Wednesday of the week before the Friday of publication.

Peggy asked what are the plans for the current compost pile. Compost or haul away? A trench was mentioned. We could dig a trench where the new beds will go, and bury part of the existing compost pile. The pile is an eyesore. We could ask Rod to dig the trench, move the compost, and pack it down to increase stability.

Peggy suggested that we definitely need a priority list of volunteer jobs that need completed. This could be located on the white board in the gazebo.

Tana asked why can't we add the compost grass and dirt soil pile to increase the available soil for the new beds.

Committee for compost will be Kerry, Dick and Tom. They volunteered to come up with a plan to manage, get rid of the pile, then establish a system for usable compost.

Motion: Suggested by Peggy, seconded by Janet (Passed)

The compost committee create a plan to deal with the current compost bed, formulate a plan for the ongoing trench style and bin style, and allow rental of a backhoe up to \$250.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Secretary Janie Roberts

Our next meeting will be on June 16, 2022 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.

