Clarkston Community Garden(CCG) 3-7-12 Meeting @ the Walla Walla Community College (WWCC) Library

Present: Dan Cease, John Freeman, Jackson Matthews, Ron Hilty, Ronda Welling, Jenn Beller, Matthew Thomas, Donna Trump, Julie Kammeyer, Diaro Laurino, Penny Mintyala

February minutes were unavailable (hopefully will be available at the April meeting).

Quorum was achieved with Ron Hilty's proxy for Barb Hilty.

New Secretary and Board Member Donna Trump was introduced.

All present introduced themselves.

Workshop on raised bed gardening in conjunction with Master Gardeners will be at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, 3-12-12 at WWCC in the room directly below the library, $5.00 fee or free with CCG membership. The second workshop is Monday, 3-26-12 at 6:300 p.m.

Treasurer's Report: savings $229.79, checking $736.40

Bills to pay: $10.00 non-profit renewal fee, State of Washington

Bills paid: $400.00 EZ Rental (backhoe rental )

86.38 Schurman's Hardware

679.81 Schurman's Hardware

62.31 Early Bird

Motion passed to pay bills.

Budget Discussion: $12.00 left at the end of the year proposed, actual will be more like -$300.00

Revised budget will be sent via e-mail.

Ideas for raising money: sell raised bed kits, raffle of remaining vacant beds, 2 small $1000.00 grants have been applied for, apply for large grants of $15,000 to $50,000, rent in-ground plots, business discounts

Web Site: update from Jenn Beller, Web Master

Grand Opening will be moved to May because of the weather.

Home and Garden Show: (partnering with Asotin County Master Gardeners) at the Nez Perce County Fair Grounds, Shared booth at no cost, set up Friday, 7:00 to 12:00, show opens at 3:00 on Friday, Saturday 10:00 to 6:00, Sunday 10:00 to 4:00, need volunteers to man the booth

Asotin County Fair: will share a booth with Master Gardeners then also. Discussion of whether raffle tickets could be sold at the garden show or the fair.

Moving Progress Report: chain link fence moved next week when released by the City of Clarkston, trees have been moved, all raised beds are moved but need sod pulled out of dirt, gravel is under the green house, fertilizer is coming, brown building needs paint, bulletin boards are planned, Flercinger's is doing the wiring, John Freeman is mastermind of the plumbing. Basic Avista bill will be $11.50 per month and basic PUD bill will be $22.50 per month.

NEW BUSINESS:

Next meeting is Thursday, April 5th at 7:00 p.m. at the Methodist Church on Highland Avenue.

Future meetings will be more about gardening and less business.