

Clinton Community Garden Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Members Present: Andie Davies, Veanne Cox, Cat Lafferty, Monica Hoyt, Foram Sheth, Ruth Marinaro

Members Absent: Andy Padian, Michele Troise, Chris Sharp

Meeting Start Time: 7:38pm

Old News:

- Key sales went well last night \$607 in total sales, we also sold honey 10 jars at \$17/jar.
- All outstanding minutes to be uploaded to website by April 20. Annual committee notes can be added to by committee members who attended, before this date.

Financial Update:

- Monthly financials will be sent out this weekend FY 2022 budget will be distributed as well by finance team
- Tax exempt status needs to be renewed. Deadline is mid May for submission. Finance committee will take care of this initiative.

Soil Amendments:

- Cat spoke to Hicks several times.
- May 7th settled upon as delivery date to align with the spring clean up, and the plant sale. (Also voted today to be May 7)
- Cat will call back and ask 1) what we will be charged for delivery 2) what the pricing is and 3) whether they will accept payment from the grant money. We don't need to ask for special delivery to get the soil into the garden.
- Previously we used Victoria's for soil where we could use our grant money, and we still have a \$1,270 credit with them, they charge \$200 for delivery. Plan is to visit them in person this summer and pick up additional tools/front bed plants (for front gardeners who want to use their allotments)
- An email will be sent out, by front bed committee head, to front bed gardeners asking what amendments they will need for their gardens, giving them a deadline to respond. (Ideally April 15)

Plant Sale:

- We haven't done an annual plant sale in several years. Plan to keep the order simple, Foram will place the order for Veanne & Ruth to go pick up plants on May 6th.
- We will sell plants on May 7, and various committee members and volunteers will help w the sale

Spring Cleanup Date:

- Committee voted on May 7 as the spring cleanup date, to coincide with plant and key sales
- Ruth will reach out to various members to determine who is available to spearhead this. We should have a response within the next couple of weeks
- Ruth will reach out to committee heads to have them save the date for clean up day.

Funds Intake:

- Motion passed to get an iPad and Square to be able to take electronic payments for key sales, honey sales and 9th ave festival.
- Veanne will inquire about getting a simple cell phone for garden related matters which would allow for linking up to Venmo.

FY 2022 Events:

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- T-shirts for 9th ave festival. No plan for new design. Keep the order simple, black, white and green t-shirts and tote bags with existing designs.
- Cat will call and find out pricing on tee shirts and tote bags. Goal to have everything ready for 9th ave fair. (to be held this year on May 14 and 15 2022)
- Table 4th of July discussions until next month.
- Cat volunteered to be the head of the 9th ave committee and will manage the communication with volunteers.

Plots:

- Andy and Michele would like to join the plot committee. We don't need 5-6 people on a committee but Andy & Michele are welcome to do monthly walk through to make sure all gardeners are actively gardening. There are enough people on the plot committee.
- Everyone has renewed plots. Ruth is helping with assigning the sublets for 2022.

New Business:

- Ruth is volunteer coordinator and has lists of all committees.

Meeting End Time 8:59pm.