

Clinton Community Garden Steering Committee minutes

July 2, 2024 7:30pm, Fountain House

Attendance:

In Person: Nikki, John, Lisa, Cindi, Naomi, Mauricio

Via Phone: Homar, Tatiana

4th of July Celebration:

- Decision: The board voted unanimously to cancel the 4th of July celebration. Lisa abstained.
- Action Items:
 - John to coordinate an email announcement to members, update the website, and post a flyer on the garden bulletin board.
 - Lisa to provide John with a list of volunteer emails for a special cancellation email.
 - Note: Coordinating the fair or 4th of July event fulfills volunteer requirements for the year.

Treasurer's Report - Homar:

- Issue: \$90 incorrectly allocated; John and Homar to contact Morgan Stanley to transfer funds to TD Bank.
- Treasury report unanimously accepted pending \$90 correction.

Volunteering Report - Lisa:

- Efforts to Increase Volunteering:
 - Consider increasing volunteer hours, sending more frequent emails, and informing new plot holders of volunteer obligations.
- Needs:
 - Urgent need for garden hosts and night padlockers; Lisa to inventory shed contents.
- Projects:
 - Gardener to repair broken board on one bench; consider replacing wood in all benches with oversight by committee member.
- Actions:
 - Email announcement of new committee members.
 - Appointment of key sales coordinator.

Vandalism to Fruit Trees in Front Plot - John:

- Executive Session: Motion to enter executive session at 8:45 PM by Naomi, seconded by Nicole.
- Return: Resumed regular meeting at 9:10 PM by Naomi, seconded by Nicole.

Plot Inspections:

- Updates:
 - 31 mails sent last week regarding plot inspections.
 - Volunteers to assist plot holders with illness-related clean-ups.
 - Ivy removal to manage rat population.
- Next Inspection: Wednesday, July 10th @ 7 PM (John, Cindy, Mauricio, Tatiana).

Benches:

- Concerns:
 - Evaluate stability of stone benches.
 - Consider replacing all bench wood; project slated for fall after measurements.

Other:

- Homar to receive email with key cutting invoice.
- Consider increasing contribution to Fountain House.

Next Meeting: July 16th, 7:00 PM

Meeting Adjourned: 9:15 PM; Motion to adjourn by Naomi.