

Schuylkill River Park Community Garden (SRPCG) Steering Committee Meeting Minutes Location: Hosted via ZOOM meeting

Monday March 1, 2021 7:00- 8:00 PM

Minutes Submitted by: Cricket Brosius

Attendees: Jerry Faich (I-1), John Wagner (K-3), Scott Farington, Maja Bucan, , Cricket Brosius (D-4), Linda Zaimis (City Harvest Manager, voting member), Mike Kihn (B-1),

Not Present: Katie Tremont, Gina Insana, Jesse Cohen, Pat Rohflin, Mary Lou Gross

Guest: Cerie

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Responsible Party/ Timeline
Call to order & Approval of Minutes	Called to order by Jerry Faich. February approved.	All: Review and approve these minutes and expense items by sending to Jesse. Steve: Post minutes on SRPCG website
Treasurer's Report	Deferred – given Gino's absence	All: All reimbursement forms should be sent to Gino Insana (giovanni.insana@gmail.com) and cc' the Steering Committee (steering@srpcg.org).
New and old Business	<p>Old Business:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Will continue to maintain Covid precautions in the garden as we did last season2) Will reiterate that cats should not be fed in the garden- look at changing by-laws/guidelines to include no cat policy <p>New Business:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Susan: CCRA is creating a committee to review its By-Laws for the purpose of good governance and making sure everything is updated. They are looking at documentation with garden. Interested in getting some documentation. Maja said everything related to the garden (paper version) is in Temple Archives. Want to update garden rules and by-laws on website – looks archaic, may be outdated.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Letter to initiate risk of losing plot-Jerry. Send to CCRA for approval• Susan to follow up with Jerry, Maja, Gino, Steve regarding documentation eg: letter between CCRA & Garden re: obligations, certified financial statements
Committee Reports	<p>PLOT ASSIGNMENTS (John Wagner: listmanager@srpcg.org)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• John has sent plot assignments this week – almost all people have paid. Waiting on a few checks.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• John will write to those now who have deferred for at least three years to let them know they can not defer following this year

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New gardeners-10 new plots assigned. (New plot list attached) • Rethink plot deferral: 2 years for deferral maximum – not for a third year. Makes for a shorter waiting list • Implement for next season <p>PLOT USE (Pat Rohlfing: rohrfing44@gmail.com) No report</p> <p>LOTTERY: (Maja Bucan)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 44 people showed interest in lottery plots • Posted at park on bulletin board and also sent info through CCRA. Excellent/timely response following CCRA promotion. • New website: RANDOM.org used to pick plot 10 plot winners: 5 winners and then back up • “Plot winners” will be notified next week. <p>CITY HARVEST (Linda Zaimis: linda.zaimis@gmail.com)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1,106 lbs in 2020 <p>FACILITIES (Mike Kihn: michaelakihn@gmail.com)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will speak with plumber in the morning to get water turned on week before the annual meeting o it can be announced at the meeting. • Will check out if cistern needs to be cleaned out in advance of filling and look into tool shed. • One SE hose was leaking- will look into fixing before the 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Formally add to guidelines <p><u>Notes for spring/annual meeting:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) instructions for the cistern 2) No putting weeds in the compost pile 3) Let people know about deferral of plot maximum of 2 years 4) Susan to speak to role of CCRA in connection with the Garden 5) Feb/March Invite gardeners to join the steering committee <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jerry to order compost to be delivered before or after work day April prior to the Spring work day. • Jerry to order peastones ditto
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	<p>garden reopens</p> <p>WEEKLY CHORES (Mary Lou Gross: mlgross7037@gmail.com)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sign up sheet for annual meeting. Need google doc <p>WORK DAY TASKS (M Kiln and Cricket)</p> <p>Spring work weekend with shifts on Saturday and Sunday will be April 3rd and 4th</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cricket will co-manage the workday with Mike • CoVID gatherings up to 25 people <p>PARKSIDE PLANTINGS (May Lou Gross: mlgross7037@gmail.com, Scott Farrington scottfarrington@yahoo.com, Joan Wells)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will do a walk through with Joan tomorrow and do some maintenance • Will invite others to help at annual meeting <p>COMMUNITY/CHILDREN'S EVENTS (Katie Tremont: katie@srpcg.org)</p> <p>No report: Will hold off on a community/children gathering event until after Covid</p> <p>COMMUNICATIONS</p> <p>Website: No updates</p> <p>Bulletin board: Jerry will update</p> <p>Facebook: Katie manages and posts updates/events</p> <p>Lottery:</p> <p>Lock Code: BEET (2338)</p> <p>Waiting list tomato plots: John will generate the email</p>	
	Next Steering Committee April 5th 7:00pm.	New business: CCRA