

Schuylkill River Park Community Garden (SRPCG) Steering Committee Meeting Minutes

Location: Markward Rec Center

Monday, November 3, 2025 7:00 PM-7:45 PM

Minutes Submitted by Cerie Goldenberg,

In Attendance: Steve Slaterbeck, Rick Nawalinski, Linda Zaimis, Cerie Goldenberg, Matt Thomas, Peter Kessler, Bhavisha Patel

Absent: Erin Aaknus, Sarah Hicks, Tina Glisovic-Aplenc, Scott Farrington

Guest: [Theo Aronson](#)

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Responsible Party/ Timeline
Treasurer's	Matt Thomas: Latest financial statement has not been received from CCRA treasurer.	ALL: Reimbursement forms should be sent to Travis Oliver at (centercity@centercityresidents.org) cc the Steering Committee (srpcg@srpcg.org)
OLD AND NEW BUSINESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Welcome Theo Aronson. Theo accepted the invitation to serve on the SRPCG Steering Committee. Add Theo to srpcg listserv. • It was suggested that we research using Constant Contact as an efficient method to communicate with gardeners. • Peter Kessler is going to take over the role of SC secretary in 2026. 	Tina
PLOT USE	Bhavisha Patel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Will reach out to the plot owner to confirm that they do not want the plants from the plot they relinquished before being removed. 	Bhavisha
PLOT ASSIGNMENT	Tina Glisovic-Alpenic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	Tina
CITY HARVEST	CITY HARVEST (Linda Zaimis: linda.zaimis@gmail.com) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 651.5 lb. harvested to date 	Linda
FACILITIES	Sarah Hicks No report	
WEEKLY CHORES	Erin Aaknus <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No report 	
WORK DAY TASKS	Rick Nawalinski <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 gardeners participated in the workday. It went really well. • 7 gardeners received emails about not completing garden commitments. • 5 gardeners responded. • Will reach out by phone to the gardeners who have not responded to the email. • At the Annual Meeting (2026) community gardeners agreed upon commitments will be clearly communicated and the consequences if commitments are not honored. 	Rick Rick Rick
Parkside Plantings/ SRPCG	Scott Farrington (scottfarrington@yahoo.com), Joan Wells <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New plantings will be cared for until they are dormant. • Pollinator garden planting is done. The gardens look great! 	Scott
COMMUNITY EVENTS	Cerie Goldenberg (cerie@srpcg.org)	

COMMUNICATIONS	Website/ Facebook: Steve <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Theo volunteered to work on improving the community garden's website. Email correspondence/bulletin board: Cerie Goldenberg NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING: January 5, 2026 AT 7PM Markward Rec Center	Steve Cerie
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