

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

**Location: Markward Rec Center**

**Monday, October 7, 2025 7:00 PM-7:45 PM**

**Minutes Submitted by Cerie Goldenberg,**

**In Attendance: Steve Slaterbeck, Rick Nawalinski, Linda Zaimis, Erin Askus, Cerie Goldenberg, Sarah Hicks, Matt Thomas, Scott Farrington, Tina Glisovic-Alpenic, Peter Kessler, Bhavisha Patel**

**Absent: Erin Aaknus**

**Guest:0**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Responsible Party/ Timeline
<b>Call to order &amp; Approval of Minutes</b>	Called to order by Steve Slaterbeck September minutes approved.	<b>Steve:</b> Post September minutes on SRPCG website <b>Cerie:</b> Post September minutes on the garden bulletin board
<b>Treasurer's</b>	<b>Matt Thomas:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● \$1,600 spent as of 8/31/2025.</li> <li>● The plan to increase lease plot sizes passed without an issue by Parks and Rec.</li> <li>● Community Garden will not be responsible for paying for water used in the garden.</li> <li>● \$1,000 dollar donation from a former gardener was put in the SRPCG fund.</li> </ul>	ALL: Reimbursement forms should be sent to Travis Oliver at ( <a href="mailto:centercity@centercityresidents.org">centercity@centercityresidents.org</a> ) cc the Steering Committee ( <a href="mailto:srpcg@srpcg.org">srpcg@srpcg.org</a> )
<b>OLD AND NEW BUSINESS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Email re the garden bather was sent to all gardeners.</li> <li>● We are continuing to search for an individual to revamp our SRPCG website.</li> </ul>	
<b>PLOT USE</b>	<b>Bhavisha Patel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● An email was drafted re City Harvest donations.</li> </ul>	Bahvisha
<b>PLOT ASSIGNMENT</b>	<b>Tina Glisovic-Alpenic</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Will work with Travis (CCRA) on the current platform being used.</li> <li>● This is important as Travis will be leaving CCRA at the end of the year.</li> </ul>	Tina
<b>CITY HARVEST</b>	<b>CITY HARVEST (Linda Zaimis: <a href="mailto:linda.zaimis@gmail.com">linda.zaimis@gmail.com</a>)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● 561 lb. harvested to date</li> </ul>	Linda
<b>FACILITIES</b>	<b>Sarah Hicks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Painting of benches and picnic table is in progress.</li> <li>● Shrubs are being removed that are diseased.</li> <li>● 2 boxes of new locks were purchased and are in the shed.</li> <li>● The fountain has been refurbished in the cistern.</li> <li>● Wheelbarrow tire replacement #3</li> <li>● Use of paper bags rather than plastic is going well.</li> <li>● Stakes for new pollinator gardens to be purchased.</li> </ul>	Steve  Sarah  Sarah
<b>WEEKLY CHORES</b>	<b>Erin Aaknus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● No report</li> </ul>	
<b>WORK DAY TASKS</b>	<b>Rick Nawalinski</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Email to be sent to the 7 gardeners who have not honored their garden committment.</li> <li>● Will send out a workday reminder along with garden responsibilities.</li> <li>● Will send out email re City Harvest donations for gardeners not using their produce.</li> <li>● Gravel for workday.</li> </ul>	Rick  Rick Rick  Steve

<b>Parkside Plantings/ SRPCG</b>	<b>Scott Farrington (scottfarrington@yahoo.com), Joan Wells</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Fall order of native plants to be delivered on 10/24/2025.</li> <li>● Space will be opened up in the Parkside garden for new plants and the new pollinator garden on 25th St.</li> <li>● It will take 3-4 days to plant new native plants.</li> </ul>	Scott
<b>COMMUNITY EVENTS</b>	<b>Cerie Goldenberg (cerie@srpcg.org)</b>	
<b>COMMUNICATION</b>	<b>Website/ Facebook: Steve</b> <b>Email correspondence/bulletin board: Cerie Goldenberg</b> <b>NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING: October 6, 2025 AT 7PM</b> <b>Markward Rec Center</b>	