

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

**Location:** Hosted via ZOOM meeting

**Monday, September 14th, 2020 7:00- 8:00**

**PM**

**Minutes Submitted by:** Jesse Cohen (G-06)

**Present:** Maja Bucan (J-9), Jesse Cohen (G-06), Jerry Faich (I-1), Gino Insana (A-2), Cricket Brosius (D-4), Katie Tremont (A-1), Mary Lou Gross (I-2), John Wagner (K-3) Linda Zaimis (City Harvest Manager- non-voting member) and Susan Kahn (J-6) CCRA representative, Scott Farrington (C-5)

**Not Present:** Mike Kihn (B-1), Pat Rohlifing (G-1)

**Guest:** none

Recorded by Jesse Cohen. Approval by the Steering Committee pending for **Monday, September 14.**

Agenda Item	Discussion	Action/Responsible Party/ Timeline
Call to order & Approval of Minutes	Jerry volunteered to chair the meeting. Jesse volunteered to take minutes. There were no further comments on the meeting minutes from August. Motion to accept made and seconded. Next meeting will be <b>October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020. Note time change to 7pm instead of 7:15pm. Meetings are always held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month</b>	<p><b>Jesse:</b> Send Steve August minutes approved at this meeting to upload to website</p> <p><b>Jesse:</b> Distribute September meeting minutes to SC for review</p> <p><b>Steve:</b> Post minutes on SRPCG website</p>
Treasurer's Report	<p><b>EXPENSE REPORT (Gino Insana: <a href="mailto:giovanni.insana@gmail.com">giovanni.insana@gmail.com</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● About \$1400 net profit this year after expenses for hedge trimmer</li> <li>● Trinity center space rental                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <b>Katie will request the refund</b> given that we did not use the space due to Covid</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>All:</b> All reimbursement forms should be sent to Gino Insana (<a href="mailto:giovanni.insana@gmail.com">giovanni.insana@gmail.com</a>) and cc' the Steering Committee (<a href="mailto:steering@srpcg.org">steering@srpcg.org</a>). Gino will send reimbursement forms and receipts to Travis at CCRA (<a href="mailto:centercity@centercityresidents.org">centercity@centercityresidents.org</a>). <b>Please note:</b> CCRA office currently closed due to COVID-19 pandemic but Travis responding to emails.</p>
New Business	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Signage for parkside plantings? Discussed whether to add signage to deter dogs from urinating there but we decided there are a lot signs already and not a big enough problem to merit another sign at this time</li> <li>2. Mint – send a reminder out that not plant mint in the garden – you can put it in a pot and/or pick from near the persimmon tree (<b>Cricket will send email</b>)</li> <li>3. Fall planting and fertilizing – we will hold off on next</li> </ol>	

	<p>round of compost until the spring since people who are rotating off of their plot are unlikely to use it</p> <p>4. Spotted Lantern Flies revisited – Jerry will talk to Eric about timing of re-treating</p> <p>5. Junior League workday event to help Linda with city harvest in October</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- would be using masks/distancing</li> <li>- would be to clear out the gardens</li> <li>- it would be Katie + 5 individuals</li> </ul> <p>6. We discussed whether to enter the community garden competition – decided against doing so given it requires someone to spearhead the effort and we want to give other gardens an opportunity to be recognized.</p>	
Committee Reports	<p><b>PLOT ASSIGNMENTS (John Wagner: <a href="mailto:listmanager@srpcg.org">listmanager@srpcg.org</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• John reports 60 on waitlist - There are 3 people who have not joined CCRA who will be removed by John</li> </ul> <p><b>PLOT USE (Pat Rohlfing: <a href="mailto:rohlfing44@gmail.com">rohlfing44@gmail.com</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• No active concerns – Jerry will touch base with Pat to confirm</li> </ul> <p><b>CITY HARVEST (Linda Zaimis: <a href="mailto:linda.zaimis@gmail.com">linda.zaimis@gmail.com</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 799.5 lbs thus far</li> </ul> <p><b>FACILITIES (Mike Kihn: <a href="mailto:michaelakihn@gmail.com">michaelakihn@gmail.com</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The hedges have been trimmed and look great!</li> <li>• We will re-order pea stones – Jerry will purchase after talking to Carol or Lois Evans – will do 5 cubic feet (from Primex)</li> </ul> <p><b>WEEKLY CHORES (Mary Lou Gross: <a href="mailto:mlgross7037@gmail.com">mlgross7037@gmail.com</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Will post the remaining chore weeks on the bulletin board</li> </ul> <p><b>WORK DAY TASKS (Jerry Faich: <a href="mailto:gfaich@gmail.com">gfaich@gmail.com</a>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Remaining make up tasks – weed between plots</li> <li>• Will do winter cleanup day Nov 7th (over 2 days)</li> <li>• Will put down pea-stones on second day</li> </ul> <p><b>PARKSIDE PLANTINGS (May Lou Gross: <a href="mailto:mlgross7037@gmail.com">mlgross7037@gmail.com</a>, Scott Farrington <a href="mailto:scottfarrington@yahoo.com">scottfarrington@yahoo.com</a>, Joan Wells)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• no issues</li> </ul> <p><b>COMMUNITY/CHILDREN’S EVENTS (Katie Tremont: <a href="mailto:katie@srpcg.org">katie@srpcg.org</a>)</b></p>	<p>John will send out email →</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1) Reminder to weed the pathways adjacent to your plot</li> <li>2) Cut back your plot as it goes into the path</li> <li>3) Take out the weeds that are going to seed</li> </ol>

	<p>-Will hold off on a community/children gathering event until after Covid</p> <p><b>COMMUNICATIONS – deferred discussion</b></p> <p><b>Website:</b> 1) Sally’s credit card is on file and she would like to turn that over – Gino will talk to Travis to see if CCRA can put there credit card Katie will check with Steve to see if he is willing to be the point person after hearing from Gino</p> <p>-Clean up the website by clearing off the acknowledgement and 4fv 2) the hosting service from inmotion is hard to deal with; suggested that Travis at CCRA would take over the responsibilities, and Susan tells us that CCRA and FSRP websites now link to the garden</p> <p><b>Bulletin board:</b> Jerry will update</p> <p><b>Facebook:</b> Katie manages and posts updates/events</p> <p><b>WEBSITE MAINTENANCE-</b> Steve Slaterbeck (<a href="mailto:slaterbeck@aol.com">slaterbeck@aol.com</a>) he will continue to post those on the SRPCG website. Thank you to Steve!</p> <p><b>NEW GARDENER ORIENTATION (Lillian Cohen:</b> <a href="mailto:lilliancohen@gmail.com">lilliancohen@gmail.com</a>) Nothing new to report</p> <p><b>Lottery Plots (Maja Bucan: <a href="mailto:bucan@pennmedicine.upenn.edu">bucan@pennmedicine.upenn.edu</a>)</b> - plan for opening up the lottery in February/March</p>	
	<p><b>Next Steering Committee</b> October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020 7:00pm.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mike versus Jerry will lead the October Meeting</li> </ul>

Approval by Steering Committee pending for next meeting October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020