

Minutes of Meeting of the Board of Directors

Sunshine Community Gardens

5/6/21

Attendees: Kay McMurry, Carol Limaye, Jim Willmann, Kerry Drake, Marsha Riti

Called to order 6:05

Minutes and Ratification of Email Votes: (Action)

Minutes approved

Financial update, Carol Limaye: (Discussion) (attachments)

(Shared screen.) Financial report for April. Revenue is what we expect. We have more service hours than we thought we would. We have a surplus because the water bill is lower than usual. This is good to see at the beginning of the year. We're doing well. We have room to do other things if we want to. Accounting for the compost shows our pricing is about right. Adjustments were made for TSBVI and Micah, and we came out a bit ahead (about \$61.00). Price was \$2 for a bucket or 5 buckets for \$7.

Plot Update, Kay McMurry: (Discussion)(shared screen)

There are 201 people on the waitlist. We are full. No open plots. Quarter plots turned over most this spring.

Action on Items Raised by Reports

None

Old Business

All-Gardener Meeting Agenda (Action)

The President's Report is required, and the plot report is interesting, so we will do these and the financials.

In person voting: do we need more than the meeting time? After the meeting time we will have electronic voting only.

Content issues: provide information about the waste disposal policy and site rule amendments, and present information about common paths.

Zoom during meeting:

Do we have the ability to do Zoom? TV Monitor? We could send the invitation via email blast or Weeder. Who would moderate the laptop? Is there a gardener that can help us with a zoom broadcast? Marsha will ask gardeners that are tech savvy about this. If we need to purchase a camera or monitor, we can, as we are under budget.

Motion: Tentatively allocate \$1000 for necessary equipment to purchase/ or rent for board zoom meetings. Direct purchase will be necessary because of sales tax exemption. There are AV companies that could help us set up, etc.

Seconded.

Motion passed.

Food for the meeting on the 15th? Breakfast tacos? Jim will inquire about the amount needed. Taco orders: Marsha will look into this. Usually 50-60 people attend. Probably less will attend. We will provide tacos, bottled water, but no coffee, as this will require too many people touching the same pourer. Kay will pick up the bottled water.

Service Hours Requirements for Spring Season (Action)

If we do nothing, we will return to "normal" hours. Billing for the full year was a big bill for lots of people. We're not over the pandemic yet, so going back to normal hours is potentially a hard requirement.

One option to reduce hours. Go back to year billing? Waivers? We've always had waivers. Should liberal waivers continue or return to our normal waiver policy? Some ZC know who may need a waiver. We will postpone the vote until our next meeting.

Considerations:

Reduce hours for this spring season?

Do waivers stay liberal or return to normal?

Khaki weed continue to count as TSBVI hour?

Without workdays, we may need khaki weed pulling, weeding projects, and plot clearing to continue to count for TSBVI hours.

Motion: Khaki weed pulling and special plot clearing will continue to count for the TSBVI work hour.

Seconded.

Passed unanimously.

The consensus is that the pandemic conditions are still here, so we will need to make modifications. The board will delay modifications to service hours to vote next week.

Restarting of Workdays (Action)

There was discussion that it should be up to the Zone Coordinators if they want to host Workdays and up to individual gardeners if they want to attend. Mask wearing should be up to individuals. This will comply with CDC guidelines. It should be clear to Zone Coordinators that they are not obligated to host a Workday.

Motion: Allow Zone Coordinators who are comfortable doing so to set up workdays, but clarify that ZC's are not obligated to do so.

Seconded and passed unanimously.

Waste Disposal Policy Edits and Revisions Signage (Action)

Motion: Accept second revision of the Waste Disposal Policy edits.

Motion was seconded & passed.

Signage: there are two bigger signs. It was suggested we get the basic signs out to see if they work and are worth the time and effort. Then we can address readability.

Motion: Adopt and put out the Waste Disposal sign, and if they work well, we will then perfect the readability.

Seconded. Passed.

Jim will print these before the all-gardener meeting.

Site Rule Changes

There are 3 amendments on the table: plot size, waste disposal, and enforcement amendment --adding a provision.

There was a question about raised beds (we have only 3 raised beds). Make sure that those raised beds are identified as "limited number of raised beds free of charge to gardeners with disabilities."

Motion: Adopt the site rule amendments with the changed language about the raised beds and submit for ratification to members.

Seconded.

Motion passed.

Old business & anything else:

Question on slack re. a watering station not working. Reported to being worked on.

New Business

Trailer Roof Repairs (Action)

Rusty strips are appearing... Do we need to worry about roof repairs? There are very few mobile home roof repairers. We may have to pay for an evaluation of the roof and the rust. We need an evaluation of the situation.

Motion: Allocate \$300-\$500 to give us an estimate of the roof repairs.

Seconded.

Passed.

Recap of the meeting:

We will look into all-gardener meeting zoom purchase or rental of a monitor. We reviewed the in person voting, then the online procedure. We will have the President's report, financials, plot report and common path discussion. Decision of changes to service hours is delayed until next week, as we look at several issues. Zone Coordinators will restart workdays if they want to hold them. Approval of Waste Policy signage. Approval of Site Rules changes with changes to the language about raised beds. Approval to proceed with evaluation of the trailer roof.

Motion to adjourn: Adjourned at 7:40.

