

Manhattan Community Gardens
Minutes of August 6, 2014, Board Meeting

Present: Leila Maurmann, Max Urick, J. David Mattox, Dean Zollman, Meagan Duever, Jen Campbell, Linda Teener, Kruger Bryant, Dale Hayden, John Drach and Carol Barta.

Leila called the meeting to order at 5:32pm at the UFM meeting room. John moved approval of the previous month's minutes, Max seconded, and the motion carried.

Linda gave the treasurer's report and it was briefly discussed. July's expense report was very low with only a total of \$218.00 spent. John moved approval of the report, J.David seconded, and the motion carried.

Committee Reports

Records: a few gardeners have relinquished their plots for the season.

Tilling: No report.

Equipment: John reports that most equipment is in good working condition. There has been an anonymous donation of a mower to the Riley gardens.

Long Range Planning Committee: No report.

Correspondence: No report.

Riley: There have been a few gardeners who have received emails concerning the condition of their plots and most have complied. There is one plot, #27, that has been in violation for some time and it will be repossessed and become available to rent.

Compost: Collins lane recently had a delivery of compost from the transfer station. In the coming weeks, there will be a delivery from the dairy barn to Collins and Riley.

Collins: Most of the plots look well taken care of. There are a few untamed plots which is not uncommon for this time of year.

Public Relations: No report.

Newsletter: Fall newsletter to be published in September.

Nominations: Due to the departure of one of the board members from a job transfer, the board has nominated Steven Williams to fill the remainder of the term. Kruger made the formal motion, Dean seconded, and the motion carried.

Old Business: The Collins Lane water drainage on the west side of B section, is being handled. John Drach reported that multiple sites were taken to survey the lay of the land. John was informed that the matter may fall under the responsibility of the county. The issue will be discussed at the August 7, city commission meeting.

New Business: The August 9, work day will be held at both garden sites with a social to follow at

Riley Lane. Meagan and Jen are the work day coordinators.

Returning and New gardener registration is being currently being scheduled. Specific dates will be available for the September meeting.

After much consideration and discussion, it has been determined that the rental fees for the 2015 garden season will be increased from the current pricing. More details will become available in the fall newsletter. A formal motion by Dean was made for the price increase, J.David seconded, and the motion carried.

The meeting adjourned with a motion made by Max, Dean seconded, and the motion carried.