Manhattan Community Gardens Minutes of March 4, 2015, Board Meeting

Present: Stephen Williams, Jay Guarneri, Travis Kummer, Dean Zollman, J.David Mattox, Meagan Duever, Bob Pfannenstiel, Linda Teener, Carol Barta, Dale Hayden and Jen Campbell.

J. David called the meeting to order at 5:30pm at the UFM meeting room. Bob moved approval of the previous month's minutes, Travis seconded, and the motion carried.

Linda once again reported that there was minimal spending for this month's expenses, which is to be expected this time of year. There was discussion about having the portable toilets reinstalled at both garden locations. Dean made a motion to get them reinstalled at the earliest convenience, Carol seconded, and the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Records: Jay reported he is current on all the registrations to date. Jay reported there are 3 plots at Riley and 10 plots at Collins that are available.

Tilling: Tilling will begin at both garden sites soon. Jay is sending the list of plots to be tilled as well as the volunteer list to Stephen so he can begin handing out assignments.

Equipment: Travis reports all the equipment at Riley is operational and ready to go for the upcoming equipment training.

Riley: There is a pile of debris accumulating on site. J. David volunteered to pick it up after the Saturday workday.

Correspondence: Meagan reported that all returning gardener addresses have been updated.

Garden Show: Dean reported that the garden show ran smoothly with the help of all the volunteers.

Old Business:

Water Hydrants at Riley Lane: J.David meet with the water department and two new hydrants will be installed once the weather turns a bit warmer.

March workday: Saturday March 7, at 10:00am at both garden sites. Susan will be the coordinator for Riley and Travis will be at Collins. Meagan reports there are eight people scheduled to go to each site.

New Gardener Registration: March 10, at 6:00-7:30 at UFM.

Windbreak at Collins Lane: there are been several ideas discussed. Carol, Jay and Bob volunteered to spearhead this project.

Follow-up on gardener complaint: J.David tried to contact the gardener and has not received a response.

New Business:

Chuck Marr has requested having a contact to send him information from the board that can be put in the weekly newsletter.

Linda received seeds from the Riley County Extension office. It was the consensus of the board to add the seed packets to the seed exchange program.

Meeting adjourned at 6:11 with a motion made by Carol, Jay seconded, and the motion carried.