

Those present: Patty Zehl, Linda Teener, Lynda Bachelor, Chuck Marr, Jenny Guilford, Pamela Been-Redeker, Brad Debey, and Susan Peterson

Treasurer's Report:

Linda reported that \$146.76 was spent last month. The printing of the new applications for Garden Sign-up was \$55.

Committee Reports:

- A. Equipment Maintenance: no report
- B. Ground and Tilling: Gardener Marvin Moorman (SW #24 and #30) requested help with removing some large rocks that were left in his plot after the installation of a utility pole.
- C. Flower Bed Maintenance: no report
- D. Rules and Safety: Joe Mainey asked if he is allowed to put a trellis fence along his plot on Riley Lane. The board stated that it would be fine; other people have fences that are backed up to Riley Lane.
- E. Compost and Mulch: Jenny Guilford reported that our straw provider from last year cannot provide us with straw this year. Kellen Kirschner may be a source or contact for prairie hay. Phil Boller may be another contact. Delivery and price are an issue. Manure will come from the Dairy Barn. There are also two types of plant compost available. We will have to pay a small delivery fee. Brad suggested that something be done with the large pile in the north garden. Gardeners should be discouraged from using it because it is full of Bermuda and bindweed.
- F. Education and Newsletter: no report
- G. Records: no report
- H Garden Socials & Crop Walk: Patty has fliers for "Plant a Row for the Hungry," and they will be distributed at Sign-up. Lynda will get a sign-up sheet and take names of interested volunteers. Jenny suggested that the KSU Farm Club may want to get involved.

Old Business:

Water Lines:

Nothing has been done about the new water lines, and it was reported that Jerry does not want to deal with this task. Patty will call the Pond Guys, ask them if they are still interested in laying the lines, and get a timeframe and price if they say they still want the work. A follow-up letter will be sent. There is some concern about the amount of space taken up by the lines as well. Decisions about the water lines will be made after we hear something definitive from the Pond Guys.

The Tree:

Charlie Pottroff may want to remove the tree, and he may do it for free for the wood. Pamela Been-Redeker provided a written bid from Don Redeker for the tree removal. There was some discussion of the rationale for removing the tree. The board agreed that the installation of new water lines should take priority over the tree removal at this time. The board agreed to keep Don Redeker's bid for possible future consideration after we resolve the issue of installing and paying for the new water lines.

Garden Show:

Linda is looking for the display board to use during the Garden Show, which is February 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. The Garden and UFM have a joint booth. Patty has some ideas about a "plant a row" activity for kids. There will be a volunteer sign up for working the display.

Next Meeting:

March 5, 2008 at 5:45 PM