

Manhattan Community Garden Board Meeting

September 3, 2008

5:45 p.m.

Call to Order: President Patty Zehl called the meeting to order. Members present: Patty Zehl, Linda Bachelor, Susan Peterson, Stoner Smith, Jennifer Guilford and Linda Teener. There were no items added to the agenda.

Secretary's Report: No additions or corrections were made to the August minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Linda Teener presented the Treasurer's report. Total income is \$5,633.95; expenses were \$4,915.49.

Announcements: There was no new correspondence or announcements.

Committee Reports:

Equipment: Stoner reported that the cable on the public tiller is not repairable. Mower blade has been repaired.

Grounds, Maintenance and Tilling: No report.

Flower Bed Maintenance: No report.

Rules and Safety: No report.

Compost and Mulch: Jennifer will look into receiving wood chips from a local tree company. Jennifer will explore getting some horse manure for the gardens.

Education and Newsletter: September newsletter should be coming out shortly.

Records: No report.

Garden Social & Crop Walk: Discussed items needed for the November clean up. Will check with C. Hampton about soup pot and burner.

Old Business:

Community Gardener Participation: The following motion was made, seconded and approved:

All gardeners who are physically able will mow the common areas. All gardeners having two or more plots must sign up to mow twice. All gardeners are required to participate in a minimum of two board-designated activities. All persons must take their turn or they WILL lose their right to garden the next season.

Nine work days will be scheduled the first Saturday of each month, between March and November. If the first Saturday is a rain date; the second Saturday will be scheduled. Work days will be two-hour session. All board members, with exception of Linda Teener, will be responsible for leading one of these days. At the board meeting prior to each workday, board members will decide on activities that need to be accomplished. Each workday leader is responsible for recording names of gardeners who attend and submitting to Records Chairperson.

New Business

Board Member Nominations: Stoner Smith, Patty Zehl and Brad Debey will be rotating off the board. New board members must be nominated for these three positions. Ideas for board members were discussed.

Fall Clean-up is scheduled for Saturday, November 1st. The first garden sign-up is scheduled for that day. Subsequent sign-ups will be December 3 and January 7 for returning gardeners. Sign-ups will take place after the monthly board meetings. 7-8 p.m. New gardeners will sign-up February 4, 7-8 p.m., February 14, 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., and March 28, 9 a.m to 11 a.m. at the spring clean up.

Ideas for the November 1st work day were discussed. They include cleaning off abandoned plots (ask Brad if he can compile a list of possible abandoned plots.); cleaning up 8th street, clean up under walnut tree in north garden, renting a shredder for compost areas, cleaning and maintaining the compost areas.

Meeting was adjourned.

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 1, 2008.