

Manhattan Community Gardens  
Minutes of May 7, 2014, Board Meeting

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

Leila called the meeting to order at 5:37pm at the UFM meeting room. J. David moved approval of the prior month's minutes, Dean seconded, and the motion carried.

Linda gave the treasurer's report. The gardens received \$191.00 in rental fees. There were expenses from the spring newsletter and purchases of hay and a mower. Carol moved approval of the report, J. David seconded, and the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Records: Leila reported there are 188 total gardeners this year, with 46 of them being new gardeners.

Tilling: All plots have been tilled with the exception of one due to garden debris still remaining in plot.

Equipment: John reported a new tiller has been purchased. It was discussed and decided that due to the overuse of the small cultivators, once they are no longer operational, they will not be replaced.

Correspondence: Meagan reports all emails are working.

Riley Lane: J. David reports that the gardeners are in good condition. The only issue is gardeners discarding garden debris outside their garden plots and in the dumpsters.

Compost: Max reported the supply is well stocked. Riley lane is always a concern to keep compost stocked because it only received compost from the dairy barn. Wood chips will be supplied gradually throughout the gardening season.

Collins Lane: The gardens are in good condition. Max has been contacting gardeners in hopes that their plots don't get out of control.

Public Relations: No report.

Long Range: No report.

Newsletter: Jen is accepting ideas for the summer newsletter.

Nominations: Kruger introduced the idea of using the garden socials as an instrument to see who might be interested in servicing of the board in future years.

Old Business:

The community gardens conference will be taking place July 7-8. The board will be responsible for holding tours at the gardens on Tuesday. More information will be provided at a later date.

Tree trimming was carried at at Collins Lane by J. David and his crew. They did a great job.

The project of adding additional water hydrants at Riley lane has been put on hold temporarily until it can be determined where the water lines are located.

New Business:

There will be a workday and social this Saturday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at both garden sites. The social will only take place at Riley Lane.