COMMUNITY VICTORY GARDEN COMMITTEE

Thursday, March 15, 2018, 7:00 PM
Penfield Community Center, 1985 Baird Road
Nancy Marrer, Chairwoman, presiding

Attending: Chris Mandel, Dave and Carol Boyer, Dot Brenneis, Nancy Marrer, Mark Whitmire, Sabrina Renner, Larry Kreech, Gordy and Gloria Barnes

I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes

III. Communications - General Garden News and Updates
   a. Plant Sale update - May 19, 9am - 2 pm in the northeast parking lot at PCC; Proud Market Sale May 26 to be hosted by Master Gardeners at Warner Castle; $30 for a 10x10' stall; solicit local garden clubs to sell here; PCVG to have a table - solicit gardeners to provide plants, sell coffee; Girl Scout bake sale; kids activities table; Chris, Nancy, Lisa worked on a letter to clubs, will get needed info from Sabrina before mailing it; Nancy will work on posters
   b. Seed Starting Class and seed donations from Garden Show Vendors - 10 people at class, very social and useful; Nancy got offers of free seeds from Fruition, and Harris
   c. Grossmans auction March - Mar. 21 and 22 for sale; auction Mar. 24
   d. Digital presence Twitter, Facebook - Dot has set up Twitter; Lisa still working on Facebook

IV. Public Participation

V. Action Items
   a. New Garden orientation Dot will contact - 9 new gardeners; Dot will set up a date at the garden
   b. Spring Dinner list - list passed around for sign-up
      i. Activities at dinner, raffle - need door prizes; Q & A

VI. Informational Items
   a. Financial
      i. 2018 Budget - $2,036 available
      ii. Bed Registrations: 2018 - 1 bed left!
   b. Projects
      i. Bed realignment information and raised bed future plan (wood purchase) - Mark said beds moved, leading to a narrower middle aisle, but all beds are the right size; still can't fit riding mower around North East end; Dot proposed purchasing wood to finish remaining beds - voted on and up to $600 approved for wood and supplies purchase; Mark said remaining beds would need individual fine-tuned construction, not a good Scout project; we will try to work on it on Apr. 21 work day
      ii. Critter Update: Winter Trapping - Must insist that gardeners clean up beds in fall!! Need to contact Master Gardeners for recommended strategies/remedies to vole problem
      iii. Work day planning April 21st Compost delivery that day too. - put tarps down on parking lot before dumping compost
iv. Mulch needs, additional top soil - see how far compost goes before getting top soil
v. May Town drop off May 18th 7:30am-5 pm and 19th 9am - 3pm - we may need to collect items on evening of Thursday May 17
vi. Terry Rothfuss Good Neighbor Day from 8-12 am May 19th - mention in Sprout

c. Operations
   i. Equipment Winterization - Sabrina will contact DPW to get equipment back by Apr. 21 workday

VII. Held Items
VIII. Old Business
   a. Shelter Construction Meeting: Spring - Carol and Dave saw new construction of shelters on Highland Ave. and will try to observe closer
IX. New Business
   a. Riding mower, other equipment needs or reassignments - can we trade in large riding mower for other more useful equipment (push mowers, string trimmers)? Sabrina to check
   b. Update Garden Rules - to clarify pre-reserving, fall bed clean-up, etc.

X. Next Meeting: Spring Dinner, April 19, 2018
XI. Adjournment