

## SCG Minutes

February 17, 2023

Room 104 Saco Community Center

(1) Attending: Peg, Heather, Walter, Bruce, Karen, Joel, John, Harry, Linda

(2) Peg moved to accept January 2023 minutes. A correction was made to state the Service Coordinator is not a position of the Board. Harry moved to accept. John seconded. Passed.

(3) Peg spoke on/decluttered Old Business

- a. Mentor Program- The Program will be introduced at the Annual Meeting in March 2023. Currently 4 are willing to mentor. Heather will be coordinating mentors with those wanting to be connected with one.
- b. "Volunteer" will be replaced with "Service". Karen has changed it on the website. The change is in effect in the Guidelines but not in the By-Laws. The Information Book will be revised to make clearer language; specifically, Orientation of the Garden, Mentoring Information etc.
- c. As of 02-17-23 there were 7 open plots: all seasonal. These plots have since been rented and there is now a waiting list. It was stated that there is an unexpected large amount of time spent handling Saco Park and Rec registration issues.
- d. We will be nominating and electing Officers to serve on the Board at the Annual Meeting on 03-16-23. All in attendance are willing to Serve again; except Harry; who will step down this Season. Peg encourages someone to offer to serve as Chair; she will continue to Chair the Board until that time.

(4) Peg opened the floor for New/Other Business.

- a. A Press Release will be made for the Hannaford Bouquet program. Saco Community Garden has been selected as the beneficiary of the Hannaford Bouquet program for the month of March. The Garden will receive \$1.00 donation for every Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet with a red circle sticker purchased at the Saco Hannaford.
- b. Discussion was made on adding information on weeding/bugs in the monthly newsletter; Dear Abby, Show and Tell etc. There was also discussion on adding a black flag to Gardens that are in need of weeding.
- c. All tools in the shed have been sharpened; 4 loppers, 2 regular pruners, 1 hedge trimmer, 4 bypass pruners and 1 hedge cutter. Harry will build a wooden table for compost and signs stating size of compost cuttings. We will still purchase a compost turner tool, white board and chopping block.
- d. Peg will open a checking account that will be funded by Clynk and will be referred to as the "petty cash" account. To make small transactions to be repaid faster than the city, any reimbursements or purchase of under \$25 will be paid for with the petty cash account. Peg Moved. Linda Seconded. Passed.
- e. Financials- City account balance is \$3083.00, Clynk account balance is \$291.61, petty cash is \$9.

(5) Official Meeting Adjourned. Next meeting will be March 16th, 2023, 6PM at Koi Restaurant 11 Elm Street Biddeford, Maine.

Minutes taken by Heather.