Minutes 8/15/2024

Saco Community Garden

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There were nine members in attendance:

Bruce Martel Karen Martel

Amanda Mondor Joel Hersom

Walter Buczacz Linda Edgerton

John Saulle Polly Gosselin

Bertha Dawn

The minutes from June and July were passed with one amendment. Changed the spelling of MOFCA to MOFGA. I finally spelled it right!

Financial City Balance \$3,814.14

Clynk Account \$137.30

Moved to Petty Cash __-125.00

\$ 12.30

Petty Cash \$355.33

It was unanimously voted to renew our Go Daddy account for \$22.99.

The Gardener of the Month is Christine Long, Plot #23. Congratulations Christine!

Volunteer Hour stats: Done 18 plots

Partial 18 plots

None 19 plots

There is a total of 80.31 hours completed.

Of the four hoses, two have been replaced so far this year. Hose #2 was left on again. Please remember to take care of the hoses before you leave the garden!

Amanda will be bringing in black bags for the tomato bin. Please dispose of any Velvet Leaf plants in the tomato bin as they are an invasive species.

The Volunteer Coordinator for the rest of August and into September will be Amanda Mondor.

There are three extremely weedy plots: #16, 37, and 45. They will be emailed to find out if they need assistance, or if they are abandoned. Any abandoned plots will be offered to the waiting list as a "freebie" and anyone taking them over will not be registered with the city.

Pathway congestion was brought up as a concern because some paths are so overgrown that they are impassible. It was decided that plots infringing on the paths should receive a one-week notice, before we clear the paths.

It was decided when we overhaul the bylaws in the fall that we need to work out procedures on how to address failures to follow the guidelines and restrictions. It was suggested that we send out a survey this winter asking about the height of sunflowers and if they shade neighboring plots.

We need to remind everyone to be considerate of the other renters. Inappropriate behavior should not be tolerated; for example, getting into a heated argument. Also, dogs are to be left outside the garden fence.

It was moved and seconded and unanimously voted to adjourn.

The next meeting will be September 19th at the Saco Community Center.

Bertha Dawn

Recording Secretary