

Rockhill Garden Club

Minutes from September 16, 2025

Attendees: Sue Carlson, Jamie Closson, Jim Sager, Karen Moninger, Tom Winter, Sonya Harshbarger, Nancy Abraham, Susan Baker, Jen Elder

Absent: Brian Ball, Ellis Thigpen, Ed Straley, Don Closson, Pat Session, Jeffie Mussman

The meeting was called to order by president, Sue Carlson at 7:00 PM in the home of Susan Baker.

1. **New members.** Sue extended a warm welcome to new member, Jen Elder.
2. **Approval of minutes.** The minutes from the July 22, 2025 minutes were approved.
3. **Call for any additional item to the agenda.** No additions.
4. **Old business:**
 - a. Decision about maintaining the website we used for the tour (costs \$33/mo). (Tom)
 - i. Tom informed the Club that he has been considering the monthly cost as his donation. After a discussion, it was decided that Tom will release ownership of the domain name, offload the data from tour ticket sales, remove the ticketing feature and incorporate the remainder into the RHA website.
 - b. 4 corners project updates (Karen)
 - i. Karen reported we are currently \$200 under budget. She and Susan will purchase the yews in the next week. Wornall House donated a large clump of Prairie Dropseed and Karen donated the Columbine. Bulbs are to be planted in October and a few remaining perennials in the Spring. Five Rockhillians have volunteered to help with the planting which is scheduled to begin September 25. Karen asked for ideas to recruit additional volunteers.
 - c. Plan details for Oct 13th plant exchange (All)
 - i. The exchange will be at the pocket park from 9 AM – 11 AM and is open to any neighbor who wants to participate. Sue will include a

notice about the plant exchange in the next RHA Times, Susan Baker donated handmade seed packets. Sue will provide 2 tables. Sonya will make signage after Sue sends her information to go on the signs. Jeffie has asked for help digging hostas. Karen recommended waiting until a few days before the exchange to dig any plants.

5. New business:

- a. Club fun proposal: potting amaryllis and narcissus bulbs (Sonya)
 - i. Sonya and Ed would like to host a party to pot up bulbs for holiday decorations. Sonya will host and pick a date. Attendee should bring their own materials including pots and bulbs.

- b. Garden education: How to measure sunlight in your garden (Karen)
 - i. Karen presented information about the importance of allowing plants the proper amount of sunlight. She described the four kinds of sunlight, how to determine a plant's sun requirements and how to measure the amount of sunlight in specific areas of your garden.

- c. Pocket park cleanup (last of the year) Saturday October 4 at 8AM (day before the RHA picnic)
 - i. Sue asked for volunteers to clean up the park so that it looks it's best for the RHA picnic.

- d. Next meeting date and host
 - i. Tom will host at 6:30 on October 15.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Moninger, Secretary