GREENE ACRES COMMUNITY GARDEN January 27, 2024 General Meeting

ATTENDANCE:

President Erin Nowjack Vice President. Twila Goshorn Treasurer. Noreen Butano Secretary Tracy Mickey Board Member. JoAnn Bartsch

Total attendance today was 19, that number includes board members.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

The meeting was called to order by Erin Nowjack at 10:04 am.

John Goshorn made a motion to approve the Minutes for the 11/14/23 general meeting, Erin Nowjack seconded it.

Noreen Butano provided the Treasure's report. The account holds \$9,826.10. One disbursement was made to the Chippewa Garden Club Raffle for \$100.00. Noreen is checking CD rates and will move approximately \$6000.00 to obtain a better interest rate.

Work Group updates:

Garden Harvest donated 340 pounds of produce to the needy. They will continue to have 15 pots designated for donation and are asking for volunteers to take a pot. Beans tomatoes and lettuce grow well.

Education and Communication - Simone Beniut compiled a survey and the result are online. Topics of most interest include natural pest control, vertical gardening, and growing great garlic.Most people preferred communication via e-mail once a month.

Fundraising- Jim Tricomi heads this group. Please feel free to suggest any ideas. A pot luck at the garden was discussed. JoAnn Bartsch obtained a \$400.00 donation from the Chippewa Garden Club.

Security- Looking for a volunteer.

Construction- Looking for a volunteer

Renewals- Twila Goshorn reported renewals must be in by February 29, 2024. A waiver must be signed and accompany your plot registration form. There will be no increase in plot fees this year but donations are always accepted (there has been no increase in 11 years). A new addendum was added to the 2024 registration packet that no marijuana is allowed to be grown in the garden. Presently there are 12 people on the waiting list, 3 of those are requesting a second garden. There are 11 available.

Two new picnic tables will be purchased for the garden. One 8 foot table and one hexagon shaped table. The table top will be a color called weathered wood. Twila Goshorn made a motion to approve this and Erin Nowjack seconded it. It was a unanimous vote by the Board to proceed.

Miscellaneous:

This will be Erin Nowjack 3rd year as President. She will be stepping down after this term. Please consider this position.

Marianne Nolan has over purchased sweet potatoes and is willing to sell some off if anyone is interested.

JoAnn Bartsch will send out an email regarding Winter Sowing and vegetables to be grown early spring (March and April).

Important dates:

Board Meeting.	General meeting
January 6	January 27
April 13	April 27
July 20	July 27
November 8	November 23

Work Days (at the Garden) Second Saturday of the month May-October

May 11 June 8 July 13 August 10 September 14 October 12

The meeting was Adjourned at 10:50 am by Erin Nowjack

Respectfully Submitted, Tracy Mickey Secretary