GREENE ACRES COMMUNITY CARDEN APRIL 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 17, that number includes Board Members.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Erin Nojack called the meeting to order at 10:00 AM.

Welcome to all new members

John Goshorn made a motion to accept the minutes for the January 22, 2024 general meeting. Eric Orrin seconded it.

Noreen Butano provided the treasures report. Presently there is \$13,042.15 in the Green Acres account. Income included \$2400.00 from plots, \$855.00 from donations from plot holders and a \$400.00 donation from the Chippewa Garden Club.

\$6,000.00 was moved to a CD for security reasons and better interest.

Work Group updates:

Education: Simone Benoit is leading up the group.

JoAnn Bartsch has handouts for the new gardeners and an information packet. Also information on Companion planting.

If your garden needs nitrogen several good sources include dry blood meal, cotton seed, chicken manure and urea.

Garden Harvest:

Twila and John Goshorn stated they have thus far donated 90 lbs. of produce to the needy. They have 15 pots and need volunteers to adopt a pot and plant various vegetables. These pots will be put together on May 11th, at the workday, the produce from these pots will all be donated. New fertilizer mats were purchased for these. There was a sign up sheet at the meeting.

Communication: Erin Nowjack is working on the web site and press releases.

Fundraising: Jim Tricomi, no plans at present.

Security and Monitoring: Larry Bender is leading the group.

Maintenance and Construction: Larry Latine is heading the group.

New picnic furniture will be delivered May 2, 2024.

Next work day is May 11, 2024:

Shed inventory needs to be done. We will discard broken items and see what needs to be purchased..

Weeding in the walkways needs to be done (no weeds in the compost bin).

Wood chips put in walkways. Cardboard can be used to help control weeds. Pile wood chips on top of cardboard. Try to use cardboard with little ink on it.

The compost pile needs to be turned.

The pollinator butterfly garden needs weeding.

Miscellaneous:

Water will be turned on May 1st. Picnic tables will be delivered May 2nd. Soil will be coming sometime next week.

Twila Goshorn gave an update on plot availability. Presently there are 8 people on the waiting list 3 of which are requesting a second plot.

Important dates to remember

Board meetings: July 20 and Nov. 8

General meetings: July 27 and November 23

Workdays at the garden are the second Saturday of the month May - October

May11 June 8 July 13 August 10 September 14 October 12

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM by Erin Nowjack

Respectfully submitted, Tracy Mickey Secretary