

GREENE ACRES COMMUNITY GARDEN
GENERAL MEETING 2-1-2025

ATTENDANCE

President: Twila Goshorn
Vice President: Deb Nixon
Treasurer: Noreen Butano
Secretary: Barb Brown
Board Member: Simonne Benoit

Meeting called to order by Twila at 10:05

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the November 23, 2024 General Meeting by Larry Latine and seconded by John Goshorn

Treasurers report: Noreen reported expense disbursements - \$26.99 for new Master Lock for gate, \$155 for website and \$267 for insurance. Total \$449. Total balance in all accounts - savings, checking and CD \$10,270.63.

Twila reviewed changes for the 2025 season

- Taking of items from a plot that is not yours will **not be tolerated** and will result in lifetime expulsion from the garden. Please notify Twila if you are aware of this being done.
- There will be two General Meetings - February and October, and one Orientation meeting in April for new members (open to all).
- There will no longer be a work day in July due to hot weather and vacations.
- Code for gate will change to 5202 in March.
- Volunteer hours are required - 2 hours per plot (working in or around your own plot is not considered volunteering). Many opportunities exist to volunteer and will be posted in the shed, along with a means of documenting your volunteer hours.

Other discussion items:

- Be considerate when using equipment - not to be used for extended periods of time (example - bubble hoses) as others may want to use also.
- Ticks hopefully will be under control with the cold weather. There are plants that repel ticks such as rosemary, garlic, marigold, lavender, mint - consider these for your plot.
- No soil will be purchased (there was further discussion on this - a decreased amount will be considered).
- Donation planters will not be used - production has been too low from these planters
- No Education Plot this year - focus will be on Pollinator Garden
- Considering offering a scholarship - Kelly Tarnowski to provide assistance
- Raised bed will be repaired/rebuilt by Boy Scouts working towards Eagle badge
- Hoses are hard to handle - may be replaced with expandable hoses.
- Chipmunks are enjoying some of the plots.
- New officers for 2026 are needed. If interested, please consider working alongside the current board members this year.
- Website help is needed - do we have anyone with this skill to update and post on the website?

Meeting adjourned at 10:43 with a motion by Larry Latine and second by John Goshorn.

Additional board discussion post-meeting: We will apply for a donation of two 4X8 raised beds - motion made by Barb Brown and seconded by Twila. Passed by all board members.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Brown, Secretary