

Brewery Creek Community Garden BOD Meeting Minutes		Date and Time: Oct. 22, 2020 @ 5pm Location: The Garden	
<b>Attendees:</b>	Cheryl, Jaqui, Courtney, Kristina, Cathy		
<b>Regrets:</b>	Jaymie and Nick		
Agenda Items	Presented by:	Discussion:	Action items:
1. Garden Clean-up	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ No additional work parties to be scheduled for the remainder of the season.</li> <li>◦ Gardeners to be emailed list of tasks left to do: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ weeding communal areas</li> <li>▪ spread gravel to east and west perimeters</li> <li>▪ taking out/in the compost bin for collection on Mondays</li> <li>▪ planting of iris bulbs (donated tubers in shed) in communal areas</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Cheryl to email gardeners</li> </ul>
2. Fruit tree Pruning	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Fruit trees outside garden, along path still need to be pruned this fall as it is the ideal time to do so.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Cathy to connect with Ephraim if he is still interested and available to help with pruning.</li> </ul>
3. People using garden as washroom	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ One of the gardeners informed us that people had been using the area behind the shed to urinate. She suggested tidying up the debris behind the shed, putting in flood lights, signage.</li> <li>◦ We also discussed contacting the city about the possibility of putting in permanent bathrooms or port-o-potties in the park.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Cheryl ordered strong flood lights for behind the shed and around the patio area to deter public urination and also loitering/camping in the winter months.</li> <li>◦ Kristina to email the city about feasibility of having permanent washrooms in the park.</li> <li>◦ Future: create a petition to put a permanent washroom in the park given the large usership in the park.</li> </ul>
4. Disease spread this year	Jaqui	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Many gardeners have noted that their tomatoes were greatly affected by blight this year.</li> <li>◦ Issue of lack of weeding and poor weather this summer contributing to spread of disease</li> <li>◦ Need for better follow-up and consequences (i.e. loss of plot) for those not maintaining their plot</li> </ul>	

		<p>throughout the season.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Need for education on disease prevention</li> </ul>	
5. Absentee gardeners / plot vacancies	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Two gardeners (plot 17 and plot 37) have been identified that have not been present in the garden this year and previous year.</li> <li>◦ The current garden rules state that gardeners may sublet their plot for 1 year and afterwards must give up their plot</li> <li>◦ In the case of medical leaves, if and when the gardener is healthy enough to return, we may consider allowing the gardener to be added onto the waitlist and offer the use of the accessible plots.</li> <li>◦ Sarah F (plot 22) has given up her plot</li> <li>◦ Currently just 1 active gardener on the waitlist (Ella Yehyeon) as Carla and Jake has removed themselves from waitlist as they have moved out of the neighbourhood.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Cheryl to contact the absentee gardeners that they have lost their plot for next year.</li> </ul>
6. Compost / Manure order for fall		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ One of the gardeners, David W, suggested to order manure for the garden this fall.</li> <li>◦ There may be restrictions in place for use of uncomposted manure in gardens in parks land. The potential smell may also be an issue.</li> <li>◦ Consider ordering mushroom manure again as previous years instead of usual compost.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Need to contact city/parks board to see if there are any restrictions in regards to manure use</li> </ul>
7. Plot repairs		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Signup for lumber orders has closed at the end of September.</li> <li>◦ With the colder weather, consider the possibility of postponing the purchase and repairs to spring.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Jaymie to contact those who have ordered lumber if they would like to postpone repairs to spring.</li> </ul>
8. Garden funds	Kristina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Approximately \$1000 in garden bank account.</li> <li>◦ Jaymie had applied for reimbursement from Urban Agriculture improvements grant for \$750</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Cheryl still waiting to receive reimbursement cheque from UAI grant and will deposit into garden account</li> </ul>

9. Website QR codes - educational opportunity	Jaqui	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Suggestion of creating a QR code to link to the website that will outline common weeds/pests in the communal areas</li> <li>◦ QR codes for native garden and other plants in communal areas</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Jaqui to create QR codes for weeds/pests</li> <li>◦ Cheryl to inquire with Jaymie about feasibility of posting weed/pest information on garden website.</li> </ul>
10. Courtney to leave board	Courtney	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Thank you Courtney for all of your help on the board the past few years and for implementing the Google Groups for the garden! All the best with your masters program!</li> </ul>	