

Brewery Creek Community Garden BOD Meeting Minutes		Date and Time: Tues Aug 9, 2022 @ 6:30 pm Location: The garden	
<b>Attendees:</b>	Cheryl, Derrick, Kristina, Jaymie, David D, Doug D		
<b>Regrets:</b>	May, Cathy		
Agenda Items	Presented by:	Discussion:	Action items:
<b>1. Welcome</b>	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Welcome Doug and David to the Board meeting!</li> </ul>	
<b>2. Vandalism</b>	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ On the morning of Aug 1 multiple plots were found to have extensive damage to plants – namely ripped out, then placed back. Plots bordering the park and tennis courts in particular were damaged. Drug paraphernalia also found in the garden</li> <li>◦ Damage to plants is unfortunately nothing new to the garden, but it has been a while since it last happened on this scale.</li> <li>◦ Google group email chain indicated that some gardeners were in favour of removing or chaining up the picnic table, and some were in favour of keeping as is. Picnic table may be an attractant to this type of behavior?</li> </ul>	<p>The Board acknowledges that the picnic table is a draw for many types of people, most with good intentions of enjoying the garden space.</p> <p>Picnic table will remain in the garden for all to enjoy.</p> <p><b>Jaymie</b> will reply to all garden members decision to keep the picnic table available for use in the garden</p>
<b>3. Absentee gardeners</b>	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ A few plots appear to be untended. Specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 7, 17, 27, 37, 50</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ Garden agreement asks that all plots be tended/planted by May 1<sup>st</sup> each year</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ <b>Derrick</b> will email gardeners in plots 17, 27, 37 with the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Board noticed that garden is untended</li> <li>▪ Reach out if you need help caring for your garden</li> <li>▪ There is an option to sublet your plot for 2023 if not interested in gardening next year</li> </ul> </li> <li>◦ <b>Cheryl</b> will reach out to Helen in plot 50</li> <li>◦ Son of gardener for plot 7 came by recently to tend – no email needed</li> <li>◦ Add to gardeners agreement: please arrange for someone to care for your garden if away for an</li> </ul>

			extended period
<b>4. Waitlist</b>	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Currently no names on waitlist due to it being closed and no plots available.</li> </ul>	
<b>5. Garden Arch Repair and replacement</b>	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Project for next workparty – Sun Aug 14: take down the remaining structure; provide a trellis for climbing plants; Dig out live willow roots</li> </ul>	<b>All Board members</b> to look for options online to replace archway. We want a similar “natural structure” but without invasive live willow.
<b>6. Urban Agriculture Improvement Grant</b>	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ We have been approved to spend \$1000 for plants, tools and lumber. Receipts due by Sept 30<sup>th</sup>, 2022 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ \$300 – perennial plants. At least \$100 spent</li> <li>▪ \$200 – tools. So far nothing spent, need hand pruners</li> <li>▪ \$500 – lumber and building materials. Nothing spent so far</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Jaymie</b> will purchase lumber – aprox \$600 worth of 8’ x 6” x ½” boards and 4x4 posts (cut to 18” lengths)</p> <p>Ask gardeners for feedback on what tools/equipment the garden needs</p>
<b>7. Compost order for 2023</b>	David	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Last years compost almost seemed like it got too hot and wasn’t the usual quality. Burnt?</li> <li>◦ Past 3-4 years’ orders have been with “Net Zero”</li> </ul>	2023 – board to consider other compost suppliers (ie. Mushroom manure)
<b>8. Finances</b>	Kristina	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Approximately \$300 in garden bank account</li> <li>◦ Any monies spent for Urban Agriculture grant will have to wait to be reimbursed by the grant in the fall.</li> </ul>	
<b>9. Plot repairs</b>	David	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ Ongoing repairs needed for some raised garden beds.</li> <li>◦ Major repairs will happen after the growing season has ended (throughout late fall/winter)</li> </ul>	<p><b>David</b> will give the Numbers of which plots need to be repaired to Derrick.</p> <p><b>David</b> will work on repairs during the winter.</p> <p>Board will need to get gardeners’ approval to disturb their plot over the winter – if needed.</p>
<b>10. AGM</b>	Cheryl	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ We haven’t had an AGM since 2019 and should schedule one for fall 2022. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Agenda items: Call for more board members, re-establishing committees</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>AGM set for Sept 21<sup>st</sup> @ 6:30-7:30 pm; via Zoom</p> <p><b>Kristina</b> will host and will send out invite to Cheryl.</p> <p><b>Cheryl</b> will send to gardeners</p> <p>Agenda to be finalized during September 13<sup>th</sup> board meeting.</p>

<b>11. Open House/ 10 year anniversary</b>	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>◦ To commemorate the garden’s 10<sup>th</sup> year the garden will host an Open house Sunday Sept 18<sup>th</sup> @ noon, after the workparty. Some ideas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Shared food and drink</li> <li>▪ Garden Tours</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	Open House: Sunday Sept 18 <sup>th</sup> @ noon, after the workparty <b>Derrick</b> available to help plan/put up posters <b>Jaymie</b> will reach out to garden members for volunteers interested in planning the celebration.
<b>12. NEXT MEETING AND WORK PARTY</b>	All	NEXT WORK PARTIES: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sun Aug 14, 9am – noon</li> <li>• Tues Aug 30, 4-7pm</li> <li>• Sun Sept 18, 9 - noon</li> <li>• Sun Oct 30, 9 – noon</li> </ul> NEXT BOD MEETING: Tues Sept 13, @6:30 pm in the garden (weather permitting)	<b>Cheryl</b> will send workparty reminder for Sun Aug 14