

Briar Chapel Garden Club Meeting Minutes

October 15, 2020

Zoom Meeting: Co-President, David Whitehouse, called the meeting to order at 7pm.

Nominations:

- David Whitehouse nominate the following individuals for office to start in 2021:
 - **Scott Kizer (treasurer)**
 - **Marie Rape (secretary)**
 - **Rick Thompson (co-president in charge of fundraising and events)**
- Michael Gorman seconded the motion, those attending meeting voted in favor of the nominations.
- Laurie Leichman nominated **David Whitehouse to role of co-president**, Marie Rape seconded the motion. Those in attendance voted in favor of the nomination.
- Election voting for the officers nominated will take place at the November 10th meeting. Only those who have paid dues for 2021 will be allowed to vote.
- Laurie thanked the current leadership for an unbelievable productive year in a very challenging time.

Membership Update:

- Since September, there have been 30 families who paid membership dues for 2021.

Planting: David gave several updates on the garden:

- There are bugs on the collards, we will need to spray. Recommendation to call on garden member Don Simonette who is an expert in bugs.
- Fire ants are bad this year. Also need to spray. May need to call an exterminator but need to be mindful of toxic chemicals.
- Fig tree planted in Boulder (back corner by shed).
- Okra got really tall this year. Next year may plant it along the fence instead so that there is more space available in the herb garden.
- May want to put in blueberry bushes next year.
- Garlic – 3 varieties planted in Boulder, back raised beds. We will need to cover with straw mulch and fertilize in 6 weeks.
- There is still room if we want to plant more winter vegetables.
- There are fresh blades on the chipper if need to chop up woody stems and vines.
- Discussed whether or not to plant a cover crop or just use black fabric (which there is still another full roll of). A group will meet separately to decide.
- Want to leave space to plant snap peas in January which will put nitrogen in the ground.

Finance Report:

- Marci sent an email with an update on finances through September 30, 2020. See attached Financial Report at end of minutes for full details.
- Liz Rolison will help to pass on information on treasure role for new person elected.

Fundraising / Pointsetta Sale: Phyllis is organizing the sale; it will start in November.

Meeting adjourned at 7:30pm

Minutes prepared by Marie Rape, BCGC Secretary

BRIAR CHAPEL GARDEN CLUB FINANCE

SEPTEMBER 2020

2019 SURPLUS-----\$5,794.05

INCOME YTD-----\$3684.92

TOTAL REVENUE YTD-----\$9478.97

EXPENSES YTD-----\$3170.98

DETAIL

INCOME REPORT

MEMBERSHIP

SEPTEMBER \$235.76

FUNDRAISING

SEPTEMBER \$1621.49

INCOME MTD \$1857.25

EXPENSE REPORT

ENGINEERING \$213.45

PLANTING \$139.10

EXPENSES MTD \$352.55