

Zoom Garden Club Meeting Minute

Feb. 10, 2022



Agenda / Minutes

1. Meeting called to order by Rick Thompson, co-President.
2. Motion to approve December 2021 minutes by _Scott. Seconded by Noreen. Motion passed.
3. Requested approval for \$450 expense for amendments and cost of fertilizer that will be purchased soon. Motion by Marie to approve the funds for soil amendments and fertilizer. Seconded by Noreen. Motion passed.
4. Workday scheduled at Boulder this Saturday (2/12/22) at 11 am
 - a. Plan to pull up the plant stakes (we have a new tool to do this)
 - b. We will be putting down amendments and tilling after or on the work day Saturday.
 - c. The black fabric covers between rows can be CAREFULLY rolled up to one end of the bed. Leave at the end of the row where it was installed so that it can be reused in the same place. In doing so, the landscape pins should be carefully removed to avoid tearing the fabric. The pins can be placed into a bucket or box for re-use (even if a bit rusty). Then we'll be able to till the entire bed before planting, working in amendments.
 - d. The lettuces and greens can be tilled under when we're ready to plant.
 - e. In the ground beds, there is quite a bit of weeding needed around the onions, peas, beets, kale and collards. These can all be left for now, and the greens and beets can be tilled under in the spring.
 - f. Turnover the compost at both gardens.
5. In Briar Patch: (if we have enough people at 2/12 workday, group might separate and some head to BP)
 - a. In the front two ground beds, all the eggplants and peppers can be pulled. Only the peas, kale and collards (which are still labelled) should be left for tilling under in the spring.
 - b. The raised beds are pretty much OK, just a few weeds that could be pulled. Again, I'd leave the greens to be tilled under later.
 - c. In the herb bed, just the first row if dead basil should be pulled. It could also use a weeding as long as folks are comfortable that they're not pulling our any herbs that will winter over.
 - d. Weeding along the fence line around the blackberry plants, grapes. Inside and outside of the fence. Need to be careful of roots.
6. Anyone interested in joining the flower committee should come at 10:30 am Saturday morning for a meeting at Boulder Park
 - a. Anyone interested in chairing the group should talk to leadership on Saturday.
 - b. Noreen bought seeds to plant more varieties of different plants for cutting or drying.
 - c. Request to have a definite picture where we can incorporate flowers. For example, can we plant sunflowers behind the cold frame? Rick will meet flower group at 10:30 to discuss.
7. Proposing a fundraising committee of four, leadership will train and educate this group. Volunteers needed to start planning now. Committee will decide on spring, summer or fall events.
8. 2021 Survey sent by email. BCGC will use this list and mainly plant what was planted last year. Recommendations and additions are welcome. Asked group to comment on what one item they want to find in the garden this summer. Send Rick an email.

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9. Plan to start planting after the soil amendments added and soil tilled and ready. Likely in next couple of weeks. Sugar snap peas need to be replanted.
10. Update on membership: Total 38 families and 53 people have joined for Year 2022. 7 families have paid dues since last meeting (2 in Dec 2021, 1 in Jan 2022, and 4 in Feb 2022). 1 person paid a second time by accident and asked that those funds remain as a contribution to the club. No new members.
11. Finance Report provided by Scott Kiser. See uploaded documents with financial reports on website (end year 2021 report and monthly reports for Dec 2021 and Jan 2022). Ended January with balance of \$4000 + dollars. We are in good financial status.
12. New Business:
 - a. Possible social activities – spring dinner, bocce ball tournament. May need to wait to see what COVID does in next few months before we can plan something. Maybe having something social outside (picnic, bocce ball) might be doable. Maybe tie in a membership drive.
 - b. Ask Kuester to advertise about Garden Club in the bulletin. Could advertise in Encore newsletter about BCGC too (Celia). Need an advertisement prepared that gives a short blurb about BCGC with link to registration. Rick & Linda will prepare Ad and send to management for newsletter.
 - c. Might have a membership drive, open house in April at garden.
13. Reminder, workday this Saturday, Feb. 12 at 11 am at Boulder Park
14. Meeting adjourned at 7:40 PM

Minutes prepared by Marie Rape, BCGC secretary.