

Pitt Meadows Community Garden AGM

Dec 16, 2022 / 7:00pm

1. Welcome and Call to Order: President Peter Price
 - a. 32 in attendance
 - b. 63 by proxy
2. Motion to adopt agenda: Vito / 1 2nd Sharon / 83
3. Motion to adopt minutes of last meeting January 29 2022: Sharon/ 83 2nd Susan/ 142
4. Presidents Report: Peter Price
 - a. A good year with challenges that were overcome, gardens that looked amazing and produced well and that down you the member of PMCG
 - b. I would like to thank the committee that work very hard to make it work and progress and make the garden enjoyable for all .And they were a pleasure to work with
 - c. Would like mention and thank:
 - i. Penny Butler: still managing waiting lists although moved to Ontario
 - ii. Katie Tong: managing the food bank plot
 - iii. Vic Iwanow: delivers food bank donations 2 times every week
 - iv. Marion Beck: Checking and recording greenhouse temperature daily
 - v. Vito Nardiello: hard worker – mowing outside of garden and general maintenance
 - vi. Karla and Mike Loewen: organizing the BBQ and social gatherings
 - vii. Ivan Babik: bee keeper
 - viii. Kathy Murdock & Arne : Bobcat work
 - ix. Olga Romanenko;Translator
 - x. also many others who work hard to keep the garden's shared spaces well cared for.
 - d. And a big thank you the members
 - Update on the land at back of garden: city has cleared and fenced a large area We will be allotted space for 21 new plots and we hope to have the water supply in early spring and available for rent
 - e. We have purchased 2 new raised bed to built by the other ones at back of garden
 - f. There are currently 20 people on our waiting list for plots
5. Treasurer interim Financial Report
 - a. Interim report provided.
 - b. GICs: \$12,000.00
6. Budget:
 - a. As distributed
 - b. Note increases as per inflation
 - c. Some extra money allotted for landscaping project (concrete pad at back of garden for soil storage, replacement of wood wake way to washroom and path to greenhouse
 - d. The garden committee has some ideas for garden improvements to be considered in the new year:
 - i. More mason bees / worm farms / insect hotels
 - ii. There are some projects the city may be interested in helping with
 - iii. New roof on the gazebo

- e. Motion to accept: MaryAnn/ 202 2nd: Janet / 204

7. Proposed amendments to the Constitution & By-Laws - See Attachment

- a. Amendment #1:
- i. Motion to accept: Susan 142
 - ii. 2nd: Katie / 89
 - iii. Passed
- b. Amendment #2:
- i. Motion to accept: Cora / 131
 - ii. 2nd: Sue / 142
 - iii. Passed
 - iv. Question: Does this deposit include boards around garden? No, this is for materials left in the garden space
 - v. Question: Should the fee for new members be higher to cover potential costs?
 - vi. Question: Is the damage deposit defined in the bylaws? Yes, that should be added to the bylaw - ie: "to cover expenses for removing unwanted materials and garbage from gardens left in poor condition"
- c. Amendment #3:
- i. Motion to accept: Sue / 142
 - ii. 2nd: Gina / 37
 - iii. Passed
 - iv. Question re wording: How are we to ensure people obey the speed limit? Perhaps the wording should be "must obey" .
 - v. Question: What is the consequence to those who speed?
 - vi. Comment: It helps if you close the gate and keep it closed as it poses a deterrent
- d. Amendment #4:
- i. Motion to accept: Carla / 110
 - ii. 2nd: Andy / 174
 - iii. Passed
 - iv. Question: Language "logging in on the web" should be changed to "logging hours can be done electronically via email to the garden email"
- e. Amendment #5:
- i. Motion to accept:
 - ii. 2nd:
 - iii. Passed
- f. Amendment #6:
- i. Motion to accept: Jana / 40
 - ii. 2nd : Ken / 124
 - iii. Passed
 - iv. Question: Language change "membership contract and payment to be completed online or by cash or cheque ... "
- g. Amendment # 7:
- i. Motion to accept: Katie / 8
 - ii. 2nd: Jana / 40
 - iii. Passed
 - iv. Question: is the assignment of plots to the greenhouse fair? Generally, every one who want a spot gets one. NOTED: 3 people in the room would want a greenhouse spot.

- v. Comment: The proposed waiting list process will be more fair while at the same time honouring those who use the greenhouse responsibly.
- vi. Comment: If one plot is used by more than one person in the course of a year due to the fact that the first user gives it up once their plants are moved out, there will need to be caution around which gardener “ is grandfathered” on that plot. A second user is considered to be ‘loaning’ the spot.

h. Amendment # 8:

- i. Motion to accept: Sue / 142
- ii. 2nd: Sharon / 83
- iii. Passed
- iv. Comment: some wording in this amendment needs to be changed due to changes to wording in Amendment 6

i. Amendment # 9:

- i. Motion to accept: Sue / 142
- ii. 2nd: MaryAnn / 202
- iii. Passed

8. Elections:

- a. The current board stepped down and but are willing to stay and serve for another year
- b. All current members of the board are elected by affirmation.

9. General discussion and sharing of ideas

10. Adjournment: 8:25pm