

Sunriver Community Gardens – November 23rd, 2020, Zoom 6pm

Attendees:

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- Council Members: Chairperson - Jill Hickson, Plot Registra - Janet Renfroe, Secretary and Treasurer Christine Eastgaard
- Members at Large: Val Ross, Augusta Popovich, Ellen Dejardins

Reports

- Plot registration – 40 paid members to date, 2 deposits to the bank \$3765, 33 have not responded or paid, one week left to go. Filled five new plots, 15 people on the waiting list
- Orchard – Glenn reports that the orchard is all picked and sent to food bank. Electric fence was turned off and then turned back on because something was not working. Still working on it. Water is off for the season and the hoses have to be put away. When will be apple trees and kiwi be pruned? Springtime is the best time and that is when Glenn will do that.
 - Action item: reach out to Glenn in February to learn how to prune the kiwi
- Maintenance – Old pod 4 timbers have been removed, many were rotten and Jim has been burning them. Jim wants to clean it out and get it ready for the fence. Pencil posts would be the cheapest way to do it, with two strands of rope next to the ditch and a sign to say stay out
 - Action item: review documentation from Anita on how she proposes to manage the out of bounds area and how they will pay for it. Janet to talk to Jim about the costs and then decide next steps.
- Treasurer – Discussion on asking for the membership money from the Sooke Food Chi Bank account. The membership money is from the members and should be part of the bank account.
 - Action item: Focus on incorporating as a society and then focus on discussing with Food Chi on getting money transferred

Growing For Sooke

- Ellen presented a proposal for the 2021 growing season that reduces the size of the growing program to the greenhouse and the plot next to the greenhouse. The season would start in April when the water is turned on. Shelving can be brought into the greenhouse.
 - Motion to accept the proposal with the following notes: program would start in April, shelving for seedlings would be sourced from within the garden and we will apply for a \$600 district grant to cover the costs. The grant deadline is March 15th so we should hear back in April.
 - Passed by Val, Seconded Augusta

Sunriver Community Gardens Bylaws

- Reviewed the draft bylaws
 - Motion to pass the bylaws – Jill Hickson, Val seconds the motion
 - Action item: Christine to submit the society application

Winter Break and Next Meeting

- Council is going to take a break for December. The next council meeting will be January 28th, 2021, 6pm. Location to be determined