

Harvest Farm at White Street Park

Meeting Minutes for Managing Board Meeting
October 10, 2017 – 5:00 pm

Suwanee City Hall ~ 330 Town Center Avenue ~ Suwanee, GA 30024

Gateway Room, 1st. Floor, Town Center

1. Call to Order
 - a. Travis – all in favor 5:00pm
 - b. David - second
2. Adoption of Agenda
 - a. Roger made motion
 - b. Kristen seconded
3. Approval of September Minutes
 - a. Approve minutes as they are posted – David
 - b. Seconded - Roger
4. Financial Report
 - a. Tabled until next month
5. Food Well Alliance Grant Purchased Equipment Implementation Plan
 - a. Travis attended (very cool) dinner last week
 - b. Garbage to Garden (research)
 - c. Our grant was submitted and accepted
 - i. Irrigation Execution plan
 1. Check with James (already done)
 2. Set a date:
 3. Cut off water at street
 4. Drain the water out of main line
 5. Trench holes
 6. Cut into main line and put in a T PVC pipe and apply solvent
 - ii. Handicap Plots Purchased (\$155)
 1. We have enough for 3
 2. Will work on these during Winter/Spring
 - iii. 3 pallets of Soil3 compost ordered and delivered where the gravel is
 1. Plan is for gardeners to get first dibs on putting it in their plots
 2. Orchard will use Soil3 at Orchard day
6. Orchard Needs for Upcoming Work Days & Grand Opening
 - a. October 14th work day
 - i. Planting blueberries
 - ii. Kristen bringing a cordless drill to finish constructing the trellis
 1. Figure out way to cut wires
 - iii. Planting apple trees
 - iv. Planting 20 – 25 specialty plants
 - v. Repair the fence
 - b. Down to about \$1000 after plantings in budget
 - i. Plaques
 - ii. Grasses
 - iii. Coconut fiber

- c. Pump was only \$3500
 - i. Roger is proposing to amend original previous orchard donation for pump (\$5000) to include additional orchard purchases still not to exceed \$5000.
 - ii. We originally made an agreement for Harvest Farm to donate 5000 to go towards a hand pump for the Orchard, but only 3500 of that was used due to a really good deal.
 - 1. Roger made motion
 - 2. David seconded
- d. Would like to purchase a shed to store materials in the future via fundraising or otherwise
- 7. Winter Fund Raising Campaign
 - a. Food drives (North Gwinnett co op)
 - i. Travis will list what they need in the email
- 8. Managing Board Openings for 2018
- 9. 2018 Registration Update
 - a. We still have openings
 - b. Travis following up with
- 10. Old Business
 - a. Gardener of the Month sign
 - i. Travis following up with Jessica
- 11. New Business
 - a. Want more workshops as part of the workdays
 - i. Seed planting
 - ii. Master Gardener discussions
 - iii. Compost discussion
 - b. Weather station (data gathering)
 - c. Farmer Concrete – data gathering (link sent through email)
 - i. Rain water harvesting
 - ii. Participation rates
 - iii. Harvest counts
 - iv. Active plot counts
 - d. Seep packet dispenser
 - e. Children’s Hour at the Barn
 - i. Library will read every quarter
 - ii. Other gardeners can volunteer to read
 - f. Easter Egg Hunt
 - i. March 24th tentatively set
 - 1. Orchard for big kids
 - 2. Harvest Farm for little kids
- 12. Other
 - a. What do to with scarecrows
 - i. After Halloween will urge people
 - b. Send Beth Ayers email and give Roger’s information to him.
 - c. Ideas for next garden kickoff day
 - i. Incorporate
 - ii. Tables for events
 - iii. Tables for committees
 - iv. Tables for fundraising
 - v. Table for maintenance
 - d. Reasons why we love being on the board
 - i. Love the community
 - ii. Love nature



- iii. Green lifestyle
- iv. Learn about sustainability

13. Adjourn

- a. Travis made motion to adjourn at 6:08pm
- b. Roger second it