Hinton Community Greenhouse Society

Board Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, August 19th, 2015 at the Greenhouses site

Meeting called to order 7:00 pm

HCGS Board members present:

Marg Swain, Cathy Tipler, Marie-Eve Lenghan, Darlene Kimball, Ian Gosney

HCGS Board of Director members not present :

Howard Anderson, Terry Thachuk, Charlene Jegen

Approval of Aug. 19th meeting's minutes

Approved by all.

Correspondence

-Email from Town about Storage for non-profits. We don't need any.

-We will contact Charlene to see if she is getting our email.

We had a Photo published in Hinton Voice, and we changed the 'What's going on' column in The Parklander.

Old Business

-Lease Renewal: Ian will sign, bring it to Marg to sign and deliver it to Mindy.

- Tools Container: Cathy has an old rain collector barrel she will bring here to use as a tools container. very sturdy plastic.

- Compost: Cathy made some posters to put up.

-Bees: Nothing new.

Greenhouse System

Everything is doing great, no issue with the system this month. Cathy is still interested to learn about the system with Derek and Marg.

Directors Reports

- Treasurer

- Balance in chequing account is \$4,717.36. This includes an Epcor payment of \$81.66.

- Outstanding bills – reg & info fair \$20.00 Marie-Eve, \$8.90 pictures for info fair-Marg, and \$35.56 to Howard for gas and cutting line for weed whip and mowers.

- Balance in Grant Account – \$767.23 this includes the \$650.00 cheque from the Fohn Festival for setting up and taking down of tents.

- Signing Authority for 2015 CIP grand final confirmation has been submitted.

- Have not had a chance to research the venting so would like to wait until spring and apply for a grant at that time.

- Volunteer Coordinator

nothing to report.

- Grounds Maintenance

nothing to report. Looks good, no pressing issues.

Website

Ian is working on it and doing a great job. Changed the administrator of the website after an email from Jamal. The Master's Gardener page is coming along.

Cathy will send a blurb to Ian about composting for the website. Christine was going to send more info for Ian to put up on the website. We decided that we should have a section about Food Alternative Options around Hinton ex: Farmers Market, Food Truck, etc... Christine will send info to Ian.

We will bring a camera next meeting to put pictures of the board members on the website.

Harvest Festival Planning

Sat. Oct. 3rd, 3-5 pm.

We will supply drinks, cutlery and plates. Marg will arrange.

Marie-Eve will bring a ballot box to the greenhouses so that members can vote for their favourite plot.

Marie-Eve will go to the dollar pick up a couple of prizes. Ian will put up a post on the Front Page. Marie-Eve will send a reminder email. We will have music by Doug MacNearney.

End of season Tasks

Water is to be shut off, hoses put away, fans turned off, lock up shed, plots cleaned up ,power shut off, water taps to be closed . Renters of plots that are not cleaned up are subject to losing their deposit.

Email to send

Marie-Eve will send an email about the workbee on Monday October 19th, 2015 from 4 to 6 pm. Will send an email to the members to remind them that they need to put in 4 hours of volunteering if they want a

refund on their \$40 deposit. Refunds will be issued if they RECORD their 4 hours on the sheets provided at the front of the greenhouse and clean their plots by October 31st, 2015. Seniors don't have to pay though.

Grants

Grant applications will be deferred until spring to allow us time to research ventilation. We will keep in mind that someone from Town could come and help us (following the grant writing workshop).

Information Fair

Cathy and Ian attended. Not that many people stopped the first hour but second hour, more people! maybe 6-7 people seemed very interested. Big thanks to Cathy who put up a beautiful kiosk! We had a draw for a free membership.

Locking of the Gate

Darlene mentioned that the gate is not always locked. A reminder that we should always make sure the gate is closed.

Next Meeting October 21st , 2015 , 7:00

Meeting adjourned, 8:03 pm.