

07-2023

Attending- Amanda , Andrew, Andy, bob,joe, Kip, phil

New- Peter, Alisha

## Presentation of agenda

1) Approval of last minutes-motion- none opposed

2) Welcome any new gardeners

Alisha is invited to officially join EC (third meeting)

3) Bylaws ratification- done and posted online, sent to NGT

4) Treasurers report: New Treasurer/ increasing fees for plots/

Did not get checks, address had error, Phil working with bank to get some  
Balance ~1500

Planning on meeting with Andrew to assume treasurer role

-Dues discussion

- Phil points out we get about 2k on dues a year, if we have more expenses than we won't be able to cover them

- Andy points out less incentive for gardeners to not abandon the plots at current rate

- Andy suggests waiting a month to make a decision in order to conduct research on at comparable rates

-this is the annual discussion referred to in our bylaws, would be for 2024

5) Tree Work- Amanda contacted Steve and Ken, heard from Steve, will follow up with Ken

6) Garden Signs, Proposed sign language: Summer Winter Community Garden is a membership garden for use by members. You are welcome to come into the garden if there is a gardener present and the gate is unlocked. We encourage welcoming and safe behavior: no drug use, no loitering, no harassment, no picking.

- Andy asked NGT for garden sign, we're on their list

- Also proposed sign on the gate to inform visitors

- Feedback-

- Jo- Word choice- "members"- could be "stakeholders"

- Emphasis on no picking

- Needs hours-discussion of when the garden would "close"

- Discussion of facilitating people coming in to learn more vs nonmembers gathering

- Bob mentioned "welcoming" and "safe" not clear

- Jo, bob, and Peter will take second round edits

Kip suggested public event evening

7) Gate repair- Jo called them, they need to come back but have not successfully scheduled, will try again

- Need to separate larger gate from mulberry tree

8) Abandoned plot update and process

-3 of note

west side- promised to do it, Andy will follow up, extenuating circumstances

-east side-2- one got married unexpectedly, the other is neglected and Andy offered her the option to give it up

9) Garden Day for July/August/Sept

July- Saturday the 29th

10) City harvest delivered 350 pounds to Mount Vernon association

For next time: dues discussion