



**River Bend Community Organic Garden & Education Center**  
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## **Meeting Minutes – June 6, 2022**

**Present:** Robin Beilby, Melissa Dinsmore, Wendy Fleming, Jackie Herbster, Joanna Kloster, Judi Lloyd, Barbara Maurer, Dee Smith and Mary Smolinski

The meeting was called to order at 1:33 pm by Ms. Maurer.

**Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes:** All members received and reviewed the May 2, 2022 meeting minutes. Ms. Lloyd made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Ms. Beilby. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Nomination/Voting of Chairperson, Treasurer & Secretary (Fiscal Yr. 2022/2023):** Ms. Smith made a motion that the current officers (Ms. Maurer – Chairperson, Ms. Theis – Treasurer and Ms. Herbster – Secretary) remain in place for Fiscal Year 2022-2023. The motion was seconded by Ms. Smolinski. The motion was approved unanimously.

**Council Report:** Ms. Maurer gave a brief overview of Town Council actions and activities.

**Financial Report:** Ms. Maurer presented the financial report.

**Garden Update:** Ms. Smith reported that the blue bee hive became infested with wax moths. Ms. Kelly contacted Mr. Johnson with the bee keeper's association about the infestation. Fortunately, Mr. Johnson indicated that he had a swarm and generously donated the swarm, which is now thriving. With regard to The Green Team, Ms. Smith reported that one of the members was awarded a scholarship for college. A new team leader will be taking over due to the graduation of the prior team leader. Ms. Maurer reported that, to date, labor and administrative hours total 788 for garden volunteers. Onions and garlic are currently being harvested. The tomatoes, peppers, eggplant and bush beans are growing well. Romaine and lettuce are ready for harvesting. Four Monarchs have been released and one cat added to the habitat. No sightings of swallowtails. Ms. Smith reported that the River Bend Garden Club tour was a success. Approximately 20 people attended the tour.

**Old Business:** Larry Fisher, a member of the Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, is interested in assisting Mr. Organ and Ms. Beilby with the solar/greenhouse project.

**New Business:** RBCOG is registered in participating in the Fourth of July parade. An email will be forthcoming with further information.

A motion was made by Ms. Beilby and seconded by Ms. Lloyd to cancel the July meeting. The motion was approved unanimously.

There being no further business, Ms. Lloyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Ms. Beilby. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:20 pm.

Submitted by,

*Jackie Herbster*

Jackie Herbster, Secretary