



River Bend Community Organic Garden & Education Center

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Draft Meeting Minutes December 2, 2024

Present: Becky DeMars, Arwen Gibson, Jackie Herbster, JoAnna Kloster, Judi Lloyd, Barbara Maurer, Barbara Pilcher, Chris Organ, and Carina Wordham

The meeting was called to order at 1:35 pm by Ms. Maurer.

Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: All members received and reviewed the 11/4/24 meeting minutes. Ms. Lloyd made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Ms. Wordham. The motion was approved unanimously.

Council Report: All gardeners received Ms. Maurer's November Council Report circulated to CAC.

Financial Report: Ms. Lloyd presented the financial report from Friends of River Bend Community Organic Garden.

Garden Update: Ms. Maurer reported the following – November Garden Hours: Labor – 82, Administrative – 18; YTD: Labor – 1,908, Administrative – 241.75. Garden Harvest: November vegetables – 56 pounds, YTD – approximately 2,685 pounds; Interfaith Refugee Ministry donation: YTD - 316 pounds, which is 11.8% of the total harvest. The irrigation system has been turned off for the winter season, and the hose will be hooked up for watering. All vegetables have been covered due to the cold temperatures. Ms. Maurer contacted Pamlico Tree Service and they will deliver wood chips when available. Workdays for December are cancelled. The remaining Fall projects to be completed are: cardboard and wood chipping of pathways in the garden and weeding and wood chipping of exterior perimeter of the garden. In Ms. Kelly's absence, Ms. Herbster reported that the bees are doing well and Ms. Kelly will continue to monitor during the winter months. There is no butterfly report. Ms. Maurer reported that Mr. Garner has agreed to plant the seeds for Spring planting.

Old Business: None.

New Business:

2025 Plant Sale: Tentative Date: 4/26/25; Rain Date: 5/3/25; Hours: 8:00 am to 1:00 pm. Ms. Wordham will be the Event Coordinator for this event. More details to follow.

There being no further business, Ms. DeMars made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Ms. Wordham. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:22 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 6, 2025 at 1:30 pm.

Submitted by,

Jackie Herbster, Secretary