

HOLDEN COMMUNITY GARDEN COMMITTEE

December 4 2019

Mission Statement:

The Holden Community Garden Committee is a volunteer organization working to provide and support Holden residents, individually and collectively, to grow food, flowers, fruits, and herbs on town land including the redeveloped property on Highland Street. Our efforts will enable residents to enjoy the beauty of our town while developing a sense of community through cooperative action, learning about sustainable and environmentally conscious gardening as well as ethical M

The Holden Community Garden Committee also exists to foster the education of the children of Holden through the support of community gardens in local schools and community groups. These gardens will help to develop the appreciation of future generations for the importance of agriculture and responsible environmental practices, and provide education and positive experiences through gardening and physical activity.

In Attendance: Marcia Hastbacka, Chair: Members: Katye Brier, Jessica Cosenza, Julie McCarthy, Mike Trigiano, Gina Tutela.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

AGENDA

The minutes of the November 13, 2019 meeting was reviewed.

Motion #1

To approve the 11-13-19 HCG Minutes

Voted and Approved.

Discussion of Raised Bed Tables

It was decided to build only 2 raised bed tables as a start to determine the demand from residents who might want/need this type of planting bed. They will be placed between the Girl Scout perennial gardens and current garden beds. Jess will be coordinating this project with Mike Kendrick. The remaining monies from the Fiskars grant will be used for other tools, signage, etc.

Update on DPW and Storage Shed

The new storage shed has been installed we now have a combo lock to place on the shed.

Update on Girl Scout and Boy Scout Projects

Marcia reported that many wood pallets had been placed against the shed and needed to be removed so as not to cause damage to the side wall of the shed. Marcia moved them from the side wall and Julie will let the girl scouts know they should be placed on the ground. They are to be used to make composting bins. The Boy Scout Eagle Project is nearing completion and we to sign off on the project. Jess will contact Brett J. to make arrangements.

Publicity

It was suggested in January or February we contact the Landmark for some publicity about all the work we have accomplished this past year and plans for the 2020 growing season.

Update on Davis Hill

Jess reported that all tools at Davis Hill have been inventoried and accounted for. Katye and Jess are working on a Newsletter and a copy is attached to these minutes.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 pm

Next meeting is scheduled for January 15, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Starbark Building.

