

HOLDEN COMMUNITY GARDEN COMMITTEE

January 15, 2020

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,
Absent: Gina Tutela.

Meeting called to order at 7:00 pm.

AGENDA

The minutes of the December 4, 2019 meeting was reviewed.

Motion #1

To approve the 12-4-19 HCG Minutes

Voted and Approved.

Holden Community Garden Committee Report & 2019 Community Garden Report at Davis Hill

Copies of both reports for the Town Meeting Book were distributed. A few minor edits on the HCG Report were made and Marcia will send both reports to Wendy for publishing.

Storage Shed

Marcia reported that the combo lock is now in place on the shed. She has also posted a sign that no materials should be placed against the shed walls. Julie will place a tarp on the wood pallets so no one will decide that the pallets should be stacked against the shed as has been done in the past.

Proposed Budget for FY20-21

Marcia has developed a proposed budget to be sent to the DPW. A discussion ensued that since we are not planning to expand the garden plots next year (except for the raised bed tables), we should concentrate on signage for the garden. We need to have a large sign near the Highland Street side to advertise and promote the whole garden.

Update on Eagle Scout Sign-off

Brett J. was unable to come to this meeting, so Jess will meet him before our next meeting to sign-off on his Eagle Scout project.

Update on Davis Hill

Jess reported that the Town Report contained all the current updates.

Applications for 2020

Jess will email the 2019 applications and forms to all members. We will discuss at next meeting and make any corrections or additions for 2020 and then send final revision to Wendy for inclusion on Town website.

Meeting was adjourned at 7:25 pm

Next meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2020 at 7:00 pm in the Starbard Building.

