

# Stoney Brook Community Farm & Garden

## Tele-Meeting

### Meeting Minutes

Thursday, May 21, 2020

#### **Members Present**

D. Brennan  
R. Hinck  
D. Kitchell  
A. Kraynak  
D. Leo  
T. Swala

#### **Liaison**

R. Francioli

#### **Guest**

J. La Luna

Chairman Kitchell called the meeting to order at 10:02 am according to the Open Publics Meeting Act.

**Financial Report** – Member Brennan said that there is \$2,475.00 remaining. Member Brennan said that \$8,039.71 is for garden maintenance. Member Brennan said there was no bill for top soil and mulch.

**Garden Boards** – Member Hinck said that at Morristown Lumber the boards are \$5.61 each and are 8ft. Member Hinck said we would need approximately 60 boards. Member Brennan asked are we 1) giving the boards away, 2) first come first serve, 3) if someone takes one should they make a donation. Member Brennan asked do the gardeners pay for these boards or do we always get them. Liaison Francioli said it should be free to new gardeners and first come first serve and a donation and let them know it benefits the Farm & Garden. Liaison Francioli said the boards the only way to go. Member Brennan asked where should Brian put the boards inside the gate? Liaison Francioli asked should we cut the 8ft boards? Member Hinck suggested we should cut the boards.

**Facility Maintenance** – Member Hinck said that the first water hydrant was frozen but the others are okay. Member Hinck said that compost is almost all gone, and the top soil is okay. Member Hinck said that a gardener asked if they could use cinder blocks. Member Hinck said that it is low issue contamination and not as much as treated wood. Liaison Francioli asked what kind of materials could we use untreated wood, bricks, cinder blocks, concrete blocks. Member Hinck doesn't see it as an issue. Chairman Kitchell asked should we provide gloves and masks? Member Brennan said it's their responsibility. Liaison Francioli said I wouldn't do that and someone would re-use the mask. Member Hinck suggested should we put in a sink for hand washing. Member Brennan would look into it. J. La Luna suggested a hand sanitizer outside of the shed.

**Shed** – Member Hinck asked should we lock the shed? Member Leo said engineering has the key. Chairman Kitchell said we should have a couple of keys made.

**Pavilion** - Member Leo said that the purchase order was sent last Wednesday to the vendor. Member Leo said that the structural calcs are in the mail. Member Leo said then it is sent to the building department and once the permit is approved the vendor can start in 6-7 weeks.

**Lock** – Member Hinck said the lock is very difficult to operate you can hardly open it. Member Hinck said we may need a new lock. Liaison Francioli suggested to get a new lock and with the same combo.

**Inter-Faith Food Pantry** – Member Hinck said that a person asked him they would like to help to take the food to the Inter-Faith Food Pantry but their not a garden member can they join? Member Hinck asked how many Inter-Faith Food Pantry garden spots? Member Hinck suggested we need to till it.

**Lawn Mower** – Member Hinck recommended a battery operated lawn mower they are approximately \$400 at Lowes. All members agreed.

**Wood Chips** – Liaison Francioli suggested to contract out the wood chips and that they lay it down. Member Hinck said the wood chips where the gardeners have garden spots the wood chips so far so good.

**Garden Club** – Member Hinck suggested about having a garden club. Member Swala said she tried last year but only one person was interested. Member Swala said she would try maybe with a Zoom meeting for gardeners.

**Adjourn** – Chairman Kitchell adjourned the meeting at 11:00 am. All members agreed.

**Next Stoneybrook Farm & Garden meeting is Thursday, June 18, at 10:00am.**