

HEIGHTS GROWS

Meeting Minutes October 3, 2022 Location: Haddon Heights Library

Present: Tracey Miller, Maureen Joos, Adrienne Evans, Miriam Mlynarski, Cyndy Mullineaux, Pat Ferguson, Dave McCulloum

Cyndy called the meeting to order at 6:55

1. Budget Report - Dave M.

We are awaiting information and balances from the borough. Spending for the fall plantings came in under budget at \$1189. Dave will send out updated information and tallies when available.

2. Maintenance

-Watering and weeding to be set on a calendar with groups/partners taking on responsibilities will assist in getting the various tasks accomplished throughout the summer season. Email and scheduling to be sent out this week via member email requesting assistance.

-DPW has filled and topped planters and have been very helpful in keeping the planters looking good with the most recent plantings.

Litter Patrol: will need to be scheduled for January and February. We will need hosts to plan and be there that day to handle sign ins and supplies.

3. Distribution of Information/Community Updates

Social Media: Cyndy, Adrienn & Tracey met and discussed how to better use and update our social media. Please send any photos or ideas to any of these members to be posted. We also plan to partner with other local groups to share their info and also share more information more frequently.

Heights Report: We have submitted our information to be printed listing what we've been doing and what is planned. Dave M. will create and submit our next submission at the end of October.

4. Fund Raising

Garden Tour: Discussion continued from our previous meetings regarding the Garden Tour as a fundraiser. The event will take place on 6/24/23 and will take place in partnership with the library. We are looking for 6-7 gardens that can be viewed prior to the frost and will be willing to participate in our Spring Tour. Using social media, we will advertise and ask for recommendations and neighbors who are interested and Cyndy will check in with people.

Wreath Making: This event will happen on 11/30 and 12/1 this year at the Community Center.

Sign ups will take place allowing 40 people per night. Tracey will collect ticket money and handle sign ups. Collection of materials and bows to take place on the weekend prior to the event- see Tracey for details.

5. Haddon Heights Borough Relations

Heights Grows members met with council members regarding DPW, the gazebo, upcoming projects, and the addition of Heights Grows to the town budget. We were told to reach out for money as needed to help continue our vision and mission to move beyond just the planters. We also discussed the importance of conversations among other civic groups and council committees within the community.

6. Planter Updates

-All planters were updated for fall again for this cycle, 27 total sponsorships, including 4 new on 9/23-24 with plans to water on Sunday.

-We will update again for the Winter on 11/18-19. They will include winter flowers, new greenery, and lights for the holiday season.

7. Volunteer Outreach and Retention

Maureen and Tracey will continue to make phone calls and leave messages to keep new members up to date on HG happenings.

8. Curb Strip on White Horse Pike

4 Seasons Landscaping cleaned out and stripped out the areas of disarray to make way for new plantings. Heights Grows will compost, add dirt, plant bulbs, and mulch the area in late October, early November. We will need around 5 volunteers to assist with this.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55PM

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Evans