

HEIGHTS GROWS

Meeting Minutes January 8, 2024 Location: Haddon Heights Library

Present: Cyndy, Barbara, Dave, Colleen, Beth, Tracey, Adrienne, Karen, Maureen, Sue

The meeting was called to order at 6:45

- 1. Welcome** - review of introductions, expectations, roles, mission, and core values.
- 2. Budget Review-** Review of current budget showing income and expenses via balance sheet. Current total funds available: \$8, 080.80. Which includes the monies dogeared for the upcoming plantings.
- 3. Garden Tour** - The next meeting for the Garden Tour will be held on 1/22/24 Homeowners Meeting at 6 PM at the Library. We currently have 6 confirmed homeowners and a date, but we have discovered a scheduling conflict and will look to see if we can change the date in order to avoid June 8th. New ideas presented tonight include guided bike and walking tours.
- 4. Budget Priorities-** We discussed various ways to use funds. After discussion and the offer from the fire chief to use one of the fire department storage closets, we discussed purchasing possibly 5-10 gallon wheeled watering devices and 5 siphons as backups for watering the plantings. It is also important to purchase supplies for the volunteers who help with plantings, especially the students so that they are prepared.
- 5. Town Cleanup-** Next one is around Earth Day. This will be the second in the grant cycle of 3. Annette is coordinating the event. More info to follow.
- 6. Sponsor a Planter** - As we begin the next cycle Deb will be running the program sending emails and handling sponsorships. All sponsors will be contacted in early spring via email for the upcoming planter cycle to see if they'd like to renew.
- 7. Discussion of Voting Members-** Tracey expressed interest in not renewing her term. Maureen's term renewed Adrienne & Dave will end their terms at the end of 2024 and Cyndy at the end of 2025. Discussion revolved around possibly moving to 4 voting members instead of 5. The opening was offered to those present but no one was interested. We will be sure to add a reminder about the term renewals and soliciting new voting members at future meetings especially towards the end of a year.
- 8. New Beds on Station Ave.-** Kate Russo reached out to ask if Heights Grows could source and plant post construction on the newly reconfigured corners. We would agree, pending funding for plant material from Camden County. We will reach out for further information.
- 9. Workshop Ideas** - We are looking to add community workshops possibly in the months of January/February/March. Possible presenters: Cyndy, Camden County Extension, April Robin

or others. Various topics were terrariums, seed starting, flower arranging, etc. A committee will be starting to meet next week in order to plan.

DATES:

Tentative Planter dates - Mar 23, May 18, Sep 21, Nov 16 (all 3rd Sat.)

Future meeting dates Mar 4, May 6, Jul 1, Sep 9, Nov 4 (all first Monday except Sep)
Dave will secure meeting space at the library for the year.

Next meeting March 4th @ 6:30 at the Haddon Heights Library

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Adrienne Evans

***see attached financials**

Heights Grows Inventory of Supplies & Locations

HG Member Name	Items Stored
Tracey	Wreath making supplies
Adrienne	Rags and microfiber cloths
Maureen	5 gal. water tank
	Christmas lights
Annette & Tracey	Merchandise: tshirts, hats, canvas bags
Annette & Tracey	Window washing supplies
Cyndy	40 gallon water tank
	Garden Tour aprons
	Screwdriver for planters
	2 boxes of gloves (vinyl)
	1 box 13 gal trash bags
	1 24pk new microfiber cloths
	2 squeegees
	6 half gallon bottles of vinegar
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