

Friends of Riverside Park Gardens

Board Meeting Minutes

November 5, 2007

Opening:

President Mary Carson called the meeting of the Friends of Riverside Park Gardens to order at 6:33 p.m. on Monday, November 5, 2007 at the Greenhouse.

Present:

Mary Carson, Vickie Koker, Stephen Mueller, Carol Black, Greg Bouljon and Barb McCleary.

A. Open Issue

The board agreed to have Mary Carson purchase the tables now at a cost not to exceed \$1600.

Mary Carson reported the Friends are eligible in 2008 for the Modern Woodman fund again.

B. New Business

Greg Bouljon gave the Treasurer's report and the board accepted it. Greg also gave the board a list of capital projects for their review and discussion. Suggested items to add to the list were to develop the Childrens garden and benches for the front entry. The board thought the benches could be included in the landscape project for the outside. One of the items on the capital projects list was a lock for the shed door. Greg had prices of \$238 for dead bolt lock or \$592 for a digital lock. The board approved the dead bolt at a cost of \$238.

Stephen Mueller spoke with Louise Stoelting who volunteered to work on the Point of Entry project. Stephen has taken pictures of the project and sent them to Louise and has also posted on the website. He will write a letter of introduction to the City of Moline for Louise and work with Louise if she needs help.

Stephen Muller reported that all systems are working in the greenhouse and he recommends sending the last payment to the City. The board agreed and the Treasurer will send a check.

Stephen spoke to Jim Riley about him taking on the newsletter as a project. Jim agreed to do that and Barb McCleary volunteered to help with that project. The board thought we would start out with a quarterly newsletter and go from there.

Carol Black reported going through all the lists and papers she was given on membership. Carol called all of them and now has a current list. We talked about making a couple of lists one for current members and current members who only want to donate. We also thought it would be nice to have a sign up book for all volunteers so we have current addresses, phone number and email addresses. Carol will follow up with that.

Vickie Koker will send board members the minutes from a meeting and if she hears of no changes within a week they become official and will be posted at the greenhouse and the website.

The board members agreed the priorities for 2008 are to finish the inside of the greenhouse, landscape outside and maintain the Point of Entry.

Barb McCleary reported the shed has been cleaned and organized. Since then we have received more pots and she reported we would be recycling them.

Barb McCleary went to see the counter and stainless steel sink that Don Sheesley was wanting to donate to the Friends and said it was in very good shape. He also had some bricks that his church wanted to give to us and we agreed to take all the items. His church has a garage they might want to donate which would have to be discussed at a future date.

Agenda for Next Meeting:

- Committee Reports
- Develop Budget
- Establish classes for 2008
- Spring and Fall Plant Sale Dates
- Future of the Friends
- New Business

Adjournment:

President Carson adjourned meeting at 8:00 p.m. The next board meeting will be December 3, 2007 at 6:30 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Vickie Koker

Approved by: