

## COMMUNITY GARDEN COUNCIL MEETING

### Minutes (7:00pm Apr 19, 2016)

Present: Lorraine, Greg, Minae, Anthony, Shane

Guest: Andy, Chris, Natalie

- I. Call to order by Anthony
- II. Approval of last meeting's minutes: Minutes reviewed
- III. Regrets: Jason
- IV. Business
  - a. Letter to oppose OP1 restriction that states that Community Gardens are not allowed in parks, council meeting report (Shane, Greg). Three gardens are in City of Waterloo parks, golf courses and open spaces conservation areas. Shane and Greg drafted a letter. Greg is continuing research, e.g., City of Calgary.  
Action: Shane to send link/downloaded letter to the group.
  - b. Update: Compost delivery, issues with truck, provisions for excluded gardens (Anthony): Anthony phoned Randy Adams – truck did not have a divider. Truck is in repairs. Shane will ride shotgun. Anthony spoke to Jim at landfill. He agreed if the individual garden hired a truck, individual orders went through Anthony, their front end loader will load at cost of about \$250.00
  - c. Report: Tastes of Woolwich, Elmira, Mon Apr 18 5-8pm (Anthony). Event went well. A lot of interest at booth. A lot of people knew about community gardens. Biggest drawback is that plots are hard to find. Note- blog on the web where to find spots.
  - d. Report: Cambridge City Green (Jill, Greg): Huge success – all seats filled – 2 speakers – Pat Rittinger and Mario at Langdon Hall.
  - e. Event: Earth Day, Apr 22 6pm-8pm. If anyone is interested – contact Carol. Minae to post to her group.
  - f. Event: ECOFest, May 28 9:30am-4pm, Waterloo Region Museum, rain or shine.  
Carol to send invite to group
  - g. Breslau Mennonite Church: New garden going in. Nice large garden plots.  
Action: Anthony will need the garden location to place on the map.
  - h. Sandhills Community Garden:

i. City of Kitchener Allotment Garden: City of Kitchener states the garden is in its last year.

Action: Greg will contact Yvonne Fernandez.

j. Review website and Facebook page: Changes were suggested for the website.

Action Carol to take the changes forward to Public Health.

Facebook: Minae and Andy presented the facebook page they created.

Action: Andy to provide steps to starting a facebook page

Minae to change the title from Waterloo Community Gardens to Waterloo Region Community gardens.

Carol to send future events to Minae.

V. Recurring business

a. Financial Report (Lorraine) Balance same as last month.

VI. Calendar

a. Next meeting May 17th (3<sup>rd</sup> Tues)

VII. Adjournment