

# COMMUNITY GARDEN COUNCIL OF WATERLOO REGION

## Minutes

<b>Date:</b>	October 20, 2009	<b>Location:</b>	99 Regina, Waterloo, Room. 308
<b>Time:</b>	7:00 – 9:00 pm		
<b>Present:</b>			
<b>Regrets:</b>			
<b>Guests:</b>			
<b>Abbreviations:</b>	CGC = Community Garden Council, OWR = Opportunities Waterloo Region, ROP = Region's Official Plan, TOR= Terms of Reference, CG = Community garden(s), YNCU = Your Neighborhood Credit Union, AGM = Annual General Meeting		

No.	Item/Discussion	Action/Date
1.0	<b><u>Agenda Review &amp; Additions :</u></b>	
2.0	<p><b>Items Requiring Decisions:</b></p> <p><b>A) Annual General Meeting: Kristin/Carol/Maureen</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ The CGC reports will be run on a slide show: presentation on policy, presentation of membership slate – call for members</li> <li>■ Volunteer sign-up sheet distributed</li> <li>■ Each person to submit a slide – policy, technology, budget</li> <li>■ Kristin to send out a promotional for listserv, psa and media release</li> <li>■ Invitation of partners</li> <li>■ Details/Duties for the day will be sent out shortly</li> </ul> <p><b>Motion to Accept working group suggestions by Greg, Seconded Lynn, All were in favour. Carried</b></p> <p><b>B) Policy Directions: Greg</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Document near – draft to be sent out – invite to send comments to Greg directly not to send all</li> <li>■ Greg to bring a copy to LYNN</li> <li>■ Style to provide a brief reasoning for it, Regional policies, definitions of CG – Cleveland – with a separate zoning</li> <li>■ Section placing policy in a larger view in connection to strengthening links to allied areas of food system- to set the context</li> <li>■ Talks about different kinds of gardening and strays into CSA's</li> <li>■ CG are not commercial to profit individuals but to sell as a non-profit</li> <li>■ 2 things not recognized – different needs – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ 1. many are renters and do not have access to land- designating subdivision, churches, parks and apartment buildings, assisted housing should have space to use for cg, planning for new retirement, nursing homes, hospitals should be required to have space for a CG</li> <li>○ 2. designating appropriate locations – CG in church yards, school sites – have water mains available eg new churches will be asked to have a water facet available for CG</li> <li>○ 3. services for existing gardens - \$, water containers, staff advise or a facilitator to direct gardens to resources, allocating \$ for cg start-up and incentives, assistance in ongoing things CG need, city to determine best soil for gardens, security of tenure – tenancy contract for no less than 5 years</li> <li>○ what is the optimum size - about 20 plots, otherwise too big, stranger element, plots turning into weed bed can get to be too</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p><b>Continuous Loop Power point one pager to be sent to Kristin by November 4th</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* <b>Greg - on policy achievement/direction</b></li> <li>* <b>Anthony/Jason a page on web/facebook/listserv</b></li> <li>* <b>Lorraine – budget</b></li> <li>* <b>Candace - Diggables</b></li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o much</li> <li>o how many cg in the cities? Literature wishy-washy – build in stages – in neighborhood hub, walkable distance</li> </ul> <p><b>c) TOR: Carol/Angelina</b>  The Terms of reference were reviewed and decisions made and are incorporated into the new TOR with regards to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ <b>Closed versus Open meetings – pro’s &amp; cons</b>  Decision was to have open meetings but with the flexibility to move into closed meetings where needed.</li> <li>■ <b>Roles:</b>  Roles were reviewed and edited.</li> <li>■ <b>Funding partnership relationship/roles/decision making :</b>  Decisions made by majority vote. Partnership roles/decisions were not discussed as awaiting report from D’Arcy.</li> </ul> <p><b>Candace moved to accept Terms of Reference as amended. Seconded by Greg  Vote: 6 in favour 2 members absent Carried. See  <a href="#">DOCS_ADMIN-#170410-TOR CGC</a></b></p> <p><b>D) Library Date for KPL Movie April 17<sup>th</sup> or 24<sup>th</sup>: Angelina</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ 1:30 pm @ KPL April 17<sup>th</sup> Movie: The Garden. This will be the spring event and council members will have to be there. Carol sent regrets due to conflict in schedule.</li> </ul> <p><b>E) Heart &amp; Stroke funding opportunity- Due date: Nov 1</b>  We applied for funding last April. We were declined. They did not feel that we were far enough along in our planning for our policy proposal. They have contacted us again and have suggested we apply again for planning dollars for our policy strategy. They suggested \$5,000 to help us figure out what we want to do. Committee thought it might be too rushed to submit the proposal.</p> <p><b>F) Waterloo Safe and Healthy Communities Group presentation to Waterloo City Council November 9<sup>th</sup> - invited as a delegation</b>  We did not have enough time to discuss this item.</p>	<p><b>Maureen to submit 4- 5 bulletins re: marketing role</b></p> <p><b>Angelina to follow-up with KPL and will continue her role as liaison with KPL</b></p>
<b>4.0</b>	<p><b><u>Reports:</u></b> deferred due to time constraints</p> <p><b>4.1 Financial – Lorraine:</b> <b>YNCU Balance:</b></p> <p><b>4.2 Diggable Collaborative: Candace’s Report</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>■ Design Charrette</li> </ul>	
<b>5.0</b>	<p><b><u>Minutes:</u></b></p> <p><b>2.1 Review:</b> Corrections and approval for web posting</p> <p><b>2.2 Business from:</b></p> <p><b>3.3 Facebook Photo Contest: Jason/Maureen</b></p> <p><b>3.4 Rethink Waterloo October 17<sup>th</sup>: Candace</b></p>	
<b>6.0</b>	<p><b><u>Information Sharing:</u></b></p>	
<b>7.0</b>	<p><b><u>Next Meeting;</u> AGM 6:00 pm Tuesday November 10 @ 99 Regina St S, Wloo</b></p>	<b>All committee members</b>