

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes 2/14/17

Membership renewals will be sent out shortly with a deadline for reply by March 15th. Returning gardeners will be asked to mail in renewal form with a check. Gardeners will also be urged to indicate as soon as possible via email their intention to renew or not. This will give us the ability to fill empty plots quickly and efficiently.

It is estimated that there are approximately 5 empty plots and 3 people on the waiting list for plots. A determination on how to approach filling empty plots will be discussed at the next Garden meeting.

Salt hay will be made available to gardeners this year at \$10 a piece. We will be asking for approximately 40 bales.

10 cubic yards of Topsoil/compost will be delivered to garden before mid-March and available to all gardeners. Take what you need, but be mindful of other needs. More topsoil/compost will be procured as needed. NOTE: there is currently a healthy amount of topsoil/compost available...left over from last season.

Neighborhood Garden Trust did not fund our request for a patio in north side of garden. We will ask for funding for that project again. NGT also indicated its reluctance to fund any major path improvement project as the project would exceed the scope of its funding capability.

The NGT will be holding a fundraiser at Summer Winter Garden on May 17th. Steps will be taken to make sure garden is looking good.

Free-range chicken has been seen and documented in various garden plots. Assurances have been made by the owner of the chicken that this will cease.

Garden has approx \$2800 in funds. Dues will not be going up this year.

Debris that has collected on the north side of the garden fence will be removed. Joe Revlock has agreed to engage a service to remove the debris by March 15th. The cost should not exceed \$500 for this service. Garden will actively discourage depositing pruning debris at this spot.

Woodchips have been delivered to chip the path. Ed Hermance will engage Drexel volunteers to spread chips.

Workdays will commence in March. A schedule will be posted on website, with two workdays scheduled for May, one will be before NGT fundraiser (May 17)

Volunteers from Drexel Civics Class will be scheduled by Joe Revlock for upcoming workdays