

POSH SQUASH STEERING COMMITTEE

Minutes: February 03, 2022

This meeting was conducted remotely via Zoom.
Les Grober called the meeting to order at 1:30 PM.

1. Approval of Agenda:

- a. Additions to the agenda: voting in new plant parents for potatoes and blueberries.

2. Chair's Report:

- a. 125 new members have been accepted into the garden. No further members will be accepted for this year, and we won't be keeping a waiting list.
- b. It was agreed that we will use the same process next year for choosing new members. The maximum number of members will be decided at the end of this year for next year.
- c. Les checked in with the committee about their comfort level with how some of the issues (such as vaccinations) are being handled primarily at the chair level, and whether any communication changes are desired. The committee was fine with the way things are handled, and in general did not feel any need to see the details.
- d. We have received a request from Zero Waste Sonoma to visit the garden to hear what we are doing with composting and regenerative gardening. Jeanne Walker and Dave DuVal will meet with them on 9 February.

3. New Member Meeting:

- a. It was decided that the first day of garden will be 7 March. It was announced in the new member meeting that it would be 28 Feb; we'll send an email correcting that.
- b. There may be a work party announced for 28 Feb or some other day; stay tuned.
- c. There was a discussion about adding an additional garden crew, either on Saturday or an afternoon during the week. Arguments against it were that there is no one who wants to be a day leader, and also that we don't necessarily have enough work even for the regular Thursday and Friday teams.
- d. It was also discussed in relation to this that we could perhaps add more infrastructure type tasks to the chore list. However, first we need to form a projects team with a leader.
- e. Regarding parking, since we will all be parking on Verdant View, Les is going to check in with TSRA about any concerns with a lot of cars parking there.

4. Covid Update

- a. The steering committee upheld the requirement for all gardeners to be vaccinated by unanimous vote.
- b. We will be starting the process shortly of collecting photos of everyone's vaccination card.

5. New Hoop House

- a. A new hoop house was proposed, possibly one that can be moved. Amy and Linda will present more information about costs, etc. at the next meeting.

6. Projects

- a. It has been determined that the old greenhouse is unsafe, and shouldn't be used. A sign will be placed on the door after this meeting. A group of people will be meeting on 7 Feb to discuss options.
- b. One possibility that was discussed was building a shed to replace the greenhouse.

7. Planting Team

- a. There was a discussion about whether we should plant another row of blueberries. It isn't clear if even another row can provide enough blueberries for all gardeners. Next month the planting team will present more information about what yield we can ultimately expect.
- b. The planting team will be sending out an email to all gardeners, discussing the results of the plant survey and their response to it,

8. Appointments

- a. Scott Nevin and Linda McCabe were appointed as potato plant parents, and Jody Nunez was appointed as blueberry parent.

9. Treasurer's Report/Budget:

- a. Profit and Loss report is in appendix.
- b. It was discussed whether or not to purchase two years of wood for the raised beds; the decision was to wait to buy the second year's supply, in expectation that the price will go down.

10. Next Meeting and Adjournment:

- a. The next meeting will be on Thursday March 3, 2022 at 1:30 pm, via Zoom.
- b. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tristan Colson, Secretary

**Posh Squash Profit and Loss as of 1/31/22
with Draft 2022 Budget**

		2021 Actuals Jan - Dec	2022 Actuals Jan - Dec	Draft 2022 Budget	Variance under or (over) 2022 Budget	Notes
Ordinary Income/Expense						
Income						
	2022 Membership		20,000	20,000	0	125 memberships for 2022
	2021 Membership	17,440				109 memberships for 2021
	Calendar Sale/Cookbook Sale	1,575	0	0	0	Alinder cookbook sale proceeds
	Donation/Handwashing station	700	0	0	0	Donations to Alinder H2O upgrade
	Herbs de Posh	805	0	200	200	
	Honey Sales	1,465	0	500	500	
	Irrigation Fundraiser	1,433	0	0	0	Net proceeds from clothing sales
	Silent/Wine Auction	0	0	1,000	1,000	Cancelled in 2021
	Total Income	23,418	20,000	21,700	1,700	
Expenses						
JW	Compost/Dirt	3,721	944	3,800	2,856	
JW	Cover Crop	88	0	140	140	
JW	Fertilizer	425	0	450	450	
JW	Seeds	885	596	1,000	405	
RB, DP	Non-seeds (Plants, taters, garlic, etc)	128	0	150	150	
	Total Compost, cover crop, dirt, other	5,247	1,539	5,540	4,001	
	General Supplies	788	0	900	900	
LL, BH	Greenhouse Supplies	1,036	0	1,300	1,300	
MN	Lease	1,500	0	1,500	1,500	Final 5 year lease renewal in 2025
JN	Maintenance, Supplies, Equipment					
	Equipment, repairs & gas	167	0	700	700	
	Hand tools, wheelbarrows	167	0	300	300	
	Wood, hardware, other	374	0	2,400	2,400	Redwood out of stock until spring
	Total Maintenance, Supplies, Equipment	728	0	3,400	3,400	
	Services					
BG	Dump Fees	106	0	150	150	
MN	Bank Fee	0	0	0	0	
MN	AED	0	0	0	0	
MN	Office Supplies & PO Box	0	0	100	100	
	Total Services	106	0	250	250	
LG	Water	4,970	0	5,500	5,500	296,808 gals thru 12/27/21
LG, BS, BVS	Water hardware - irrigation					
	Backflow Test	130	0	65	65	
LG, BS, BVS	Water hardware - irrigation - Other	1,000	0	1,600	1,600	
	Total Water hardware - irrigation	1,130	0	1,665	1,665	
LG, GM	Misc - work parties, photos, website	175	164	200	36	Yearly website costs
	Total Expenses	15,680	1,703	20,255	18,552	
	Net Ordinary Income	7,738	18,297	1,445		
Other Expense						
Capital Projects						
AVS, JN	Hoop House	339	0	450	450	Replace north end panel
JN	Handwashing Station	368	0	600	600	Additional costs to complete
JW	Raspberry Beds	0	0	0	0	
JW	Blueberry Beds	0	0	0	0	
	Total Capital Projects	339	0	1,050	1,050	
	Net Other Income	7,399	18,297	395		
	Balance on hand as of 12/31/2020	28,289				Included pre-paid 2021 dues
	Balance on hand as of 12/31/2021	33,401				Included pre-paid 2022 dues
	Balance on hand as of 1/31/2022	36,977				
	Projected balance as of 12/31/2022	17,376				