

## **Schuylkill River Park Community Garden (SRPCG) Steering Committee Meeting**

**Location:** Markward Rec Center

**Monday, May 5, 2025 7:00 PM - 8:10PM**

**Minutes Submitted by** Cerie Goldenberg,

**In Attendance:** Steve Slaterbeck, Rick Nawalinski, Linda Zaimis, Erin Askus, Bhavisha Patel, Cerie Goldenberg, Sarah Hick, Matt Thomas, Scott Farrington,  
Tina Glisovic-Alpenic

**Absent:** 0

**Guest:** 0

| Agenda Item                                    | Discussion                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Action/Responsible Party/ Timeline                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
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| <b>Call to order &amp; Approval of Minutes</b> | Called to order by Steve Slaterbeck                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | <b>All: Review and approve these minutes.</b><br><b>Steve:</b> Post April minutes on SRPCG website<br><b>Cerie:</b> Post April minutes on the garden bulletin board.                                                                                |
| <b>Treasurer's</b>                             | <b>Matt Thomas</b> Presented the July1-June 30 budget forFY 2025-2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Will approve at June's meeting.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | ALL: Reimbursement forms should be sent to Travis Oliver, at CCRA ( <a href="mailto:centercity@centercityresidence.org">centercity@centercityresidence.org</a> ) cc the steering Committee ( <a href="mailto:srpcg@srpcg.org">srpcg@srpcg.org</a> ) |
| <b>New and Old Business</b>                    | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planters expense approved and Rick will buy the planters and plants.</li> <li>SC no longer has a position on the CCRA board.</li> <li>We will send monthly minutes to the CCRA president.</li> <li>Two gardeners will be invited to become SC members.</li> <li>Pollinator garden planting day on 25th street is June 1.</li> <li>Donation (\$350) to Trinity church space for Annual Meeting.</li> </ul> | Rick<br><br>Cerie<br>Bhavisha<br>Cerie, Scott<br>Steve                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Committee Reports</b>                       |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| <b>PLOT USE</b>                                | <b>Bhavisha Patel</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Email was sent out to all gardeners regarding May 1 gardening start date.</li> <li>Plot C-7 reassigned.</li> <li>G1 and G-2 would like to share a plot.</li> <li>Email to be sent regarding: one person, one plot.</li> <li>Orientation for the new gardeners.</li> </ul>                                                                                                           | Bhavisha<br><br>Bhavisha<br><br>Steve                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>PLOT ASSIGNMENTS</b>                        | <b>Tina Glisovic-Alpenic</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wait List will be available after all plot assignments are finalized. Post list on the bulletin board.</li> <li>There are currently 60 people on the waitlist.</li> <li>Tina will talk to Travis about who still owes their garden dues.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                          | Tina<br><br>Tina                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>CITY HARVEST</b>                            | <b>CITY HARVEST (Linda Zaimis: <a href="mailto:linda.zaimis@gmail.com">linda.zaimis@gmail.com</a>)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>23 lbs harvested to date</li> <li>Early summer plants will be picked up on May 10th</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Linda                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |

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| <b>FACILITIES</b>                | <b>Sarah Hicks</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tools/equipment/work to be done in the next FY: brooms, chicken wire, gravel, perennials, work on shed, bricks, estimate for the top of cistern structure.</li> </ul>                                                                                                   | Sarah |
| <b>WEEKLY CHORES</b>             | <b>Erin Aaknus</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>One slot left to be assigned.</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Erin  |
| <b>WORK DAY TASKS</b>            | <b>Rick Nawalinski</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Those that did not attend the work day will be assigned to work on the new pollinator garden. (May 10 an June 1)</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                         | Rick  |
| <b>Parkside Plantings/ SRPCG</b> | <b>Scott Farrington (scottfarrington@yahoo.com), Joan Wells</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>White flies have infested/infected the Ilex hedge.</li> <li>They may have to be removed.</li> <li>The Ilex issue is being researched.</li> <li>Some plants in the pollinator garden did not survive the winter.</li> </ul> | Scott |
| <b>COMMUNITY EVENTS</b>          | <b>Cerie Goldenberg (cerie@srpcg.org)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LadyBug Release Party, May 21st at 5p.</li> <li>Harvest Dinner, August 24, 2025</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                       |       |
| <b>COMMUNICATION</b>             | <b>Website/ Facebook: Steve</b><br><b>Email correspondence/bulletin board: Cerie</b><br><br><b>NEXT STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING:</b><br><b>June 2, 2025 AT 7PM AT THE MARKWARD REC CENTER</b>                                                                                                                                      |       |