Oasis Garden Club Business Meeting Minutes

Saturday, 8/24/2024 2:00 pm

Location: Craft Room

Attendees: 10 voting members; Quorum is 21
Beds: 3, 4, 15, 25,38, 42, 43, 44, 49, 61

Treasurer's Report

Income:

Garden Beds Sold: 51 of 61 total beds		$2,590.00	
Social Members: 27 ($25/household)		$ 625.00	
Interest Earned 2023			$ 3.06
Fundraising			$ 752.00

Expenses:

HOA Water Bills – 11 months			$1,217.29
YTD average water bill 2022	*$78/month*		
YTD average water bill 2024	*$110.66*		
July 2024 water bill	*$150.08*		
Socials (4)			$1,389.42
1. Oktoberfest 10/22/2023			
2. Luminary Party 12/8/2023			
3. National Gardening Day 4/15/2024			
4. BBQ & Silent Auction 6/15/2024			
Supplies and Maintenance			$529.16
Bank Balance 8/15/2023			**$3,005.56**

Irrigation System Notes:

- The Oasis Garden Club members pay for the Garden Club irrigation water; this fee is included in our annual dues.
- Water is turned off for beds not sold
- Denise explained the issue(s) with our Irrigation System
  - Our drip lines are too small in diameter for the hard water used in the garden, and mineral deposits have built up, causing the drip lines to clog.
  - This was an issue known to Pulte when Landcare installed the original irrigation system.
  - Solution from Landcare:
    - Add a filter to the main line for our system
    - Replace the drip lines and meter in each bed with larger irrigation tubing and a filter: Cost $75 per bed
    - Denise has repeatedly asked Pulte to replace the inadequate system, and Kim and Kaitlyn, First Residential are trying to help
    - Worst case solution: the club will continue to fundraise until all irrigation systems are replaced.

Bylaw Updates

Proposal to Amend DWET Oasis Garden Club's By-Laws and Rules/Regulations documents. Several sections of the documents needed to be revised, most importantly the annual dues schedule, rules regarding bed upkeep,

and clarification about prohibited plants. *We ask that everyone vote via this link by noon on Saturday, August 24, 2024:* https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/L2H523G

Membership Vote:

31 votes were received

4 No to passing the Bylaws amendments

27 Yes to pass the Bylaws amendments

The New Bylaws are in effect

The Amended ByLaws will be available on our Club Website:

2024 – 2025 Elections

Denise asked for volunteers for the 24 - 25 Board.

- A minimum of 3 Board Members are required to continue the Oasis Garden Club

Volunteers for the 2024 – 2025 Oasis Garden Club Board: thank you to our volunteers!

President: David Jett

Vice President: Andy Cooper

Treasurer: Paul Gee

Secretary: OPEN

Social Committee Chair: Jayne Jett, unless another volunteer steps forward

3 social events will be held annually

Social events will not be held between June 1st and October 1st

The Club owns or members have donated/loaned the following social event requirements: tables and sound system. lights, tablecloths, serving utensils

Suggested Events in addition to the Social Events in the Garden:

St. Johns River Tour

Tour of Congaree and Penn

Clay County Strawberry Festival

Trip to County Line Market

Trip to the Riverside Arts Market

Fundraising Chair: OPEN

Our goal is to have 2 fundraising events annually, at least until our irrigation system update is complete.

NOTE: We are not a 501(c)(3) charitable organization; we have not filed for a tax exemption status

Board Elections will be held via Survey Monkey.

Announcements

- **2024 – 2025 Membership Dues** are due by September 30, 2024
  - There will be at least 3 raised beds available on Oct 1st
  - Denise Mast is contacting the names on the Raised Bed Waiting List
  - The 2024-2025 Rental Agreement Form will be emailed to members ASAP
- **Social Committee**

The Board has been donating the side items and desserts served at our social events; in the future, we will ask Club Members to provide food items.

  - **Brunch in the Garden –** Saturday, October 26, 2024, 10:30 AM
    - Please contact David Jett at dejett1@gmail.com if you are interested in bringing a brunch item

- Luminary Party – Saturday, December 21, 2024 6:00 PM

❖ Tim Lyons has planted the open beds with vegetables that he donates to the local food banks; thank you, Tim!