

## OCEANA GARDEN CLUB MEETING

January 16, 2020

Present	Plot	Name	Present	Plot	Name
X	1a	David Asadi		13a	Bud Duncan
X	1b	Connie Ferguson	X	13b	Kevin Immel
P	2	Jim Allen	X	14	Gordon Bishop
P	2	Karen Sivy-Allen	X	14	Karen Bishop
	3	Rose Marie Deckwa	X	14-h	Darrah Glynn
X	4a	Eileen & Bob Costa		15a	Available w/problems
X	4b	Suh Phinney		15b	Available w/problems
X		Mark Wiebold	X	16a	Diane Harris
X	5	Susie & Dan Malone	X	16 b	Hoesin Winchester
P	6	Christine Foster	X	17a	Nancy McAdams
X	7a	Renee Maricque		17a-h	Robert Long
X	7b	Steve Ashworth	X	17b	John Long
P	7c	Robert Young		18	Bruce & Laura Pahl
P	8a	Tain Soreboe	X	19	Frank Waters
X	8b	Frank Danczyk	X	19	Pat Waters (Weber)
	8b	Danae Danczyk	P	20	Peggie Moore
	9a	Sally Lopez Haney		21	Robert & Hong Crepeau
X	9b	Julie Ann Gardner	X	22	Casey Fitzpatrick
X	10	Teresa Chamberlain-Spradlin	X	23	Hank & Annetta Mabrey
X	11a	Teresa (Teri) Battaglia	X	24	Mike Nelsen
X	11b	Beth Mushovic	X	24	Lori Nichols
X	12	Christine Gorman		HOA	Sherry Jarrett

6:00 PM the meeting was called order by chairperson Nancy McAdams. Nancy asked Connie Ferguson to lead an "icebreaker" with introductions of the members present. Each member identified themselves with their first name and plot number and answered the question "What did you learn this year that you will do differently next season," or "Would you like to ask a question about gardening?"

Teresa Chamberlain-Spradlin introduced Kathleen Zavala. Kathleen will be working with Teresa as her helper in plot 10.

Nancy passed around a list of members with the dates they started gardening with the garden club. Christine Foster is the most senior gardener having started in 2004.

### Election of OGC officers for 2020 - Nancy McAdams

Nancy introduced the members running for office for the year 2020. Chairperson, Casey Fitzpatrick (22); Treasurer, Beth Mushovic (11b) and Secretary, Peggy Moore (20).

Nancy asked if there were any nominations to add to the ballot. There were none. The ballots were collected and given to Connie Ferguson and Kathleen Zavala to count in private.

### Financials - Frank Danczyk

Members were given copies of the current financials and the 2020 budget proposals.

Current YTD account balances are savings \$600, checking \$766, for a total of total \$1366

Frank reviewed the 2020 budget proposal. He was asked to clarify two budget items “**pay for work**” under Revenues and “**in-kind work paid**” under Disbursements. “Pay for work” is money donated to the club by members who are unable to contribute time and physical labor during workdays. “In-kind work paid” is money the garden club pays for hired labor or services.

Christine Gorman suggested that gardeners should have some input into work that needs to be done in the future and to set aside funds for that work. Nancy explained that when the officers are made aware, the concerns are placed on a “to-do-list” managed by the chairperson.

A motion to accept the proposed budget, as presented, was made by David Asadi and seconded by John Long. The motion passed unanimously.

### Wild onion problems - Nancy McAdams

Nancy informed the membership that she is currently in communication with Mary Matava from Agriservice LLC to get a professional opinion on getting rid of our wild onions. Christine Gorman recommended that the sprouts be removed very early when gardeners first spot them in their plot. The club may enlist the help of North Coast Church volunteers to help remove the existing wild onions.

### Dues due/and contributions - Nancy McAdams

The yearly dues of \$36 is due at the first meeting of the year. Members will be provided the mailing address of the new treasurer to submit their payment before March 1, 2020.

## Current garden needs: pruning & weeding - Nancy McAdams

Volunteer coordinator - Nancy emphasized the desperate need for a member to volunteer to serve as the coordinator with North Coast church. Christine Gorman recommended that we have at least one person every Saturday to supervise the NCC volunteers. Teresa Chamberlain Spradlin commented that because the summers are too hot that April and May would be the best months to get volunteers. Mike Nelsen ask that a list of projects be given to the supervisors for the volunteers to complete. Kevin Immel noted that the youth volunteers need direction. Some even need to be shown how to do the work. He also suggested that we have member workdays once a month.

Nancy stressed that the need for pruning was immediate and should be completed before February 1, 2020. John Long volunteered his brother, with a humongous chainsaw, to cut and remove the diseased plum tree. The members were reminded that anyone doing work at the garden will need to complete a "Hold Harmless Form" before they begin any work.

Nancy announced her desire that the garden club, in cooperation with the HOA, construct a wheelchair accessible public garden area for disabled residents of Oceana.

## Photo Contest Winner – Steve Ashworth

Peggy Moore, Kevin Immel, Christine Gorman, Lori Nichols and Darrah Glynn each submitted a photo for the OGC webpage "featured" photo contest. Darrah's photo received the most votes in a close race. Darrah's plot dues for #14 will be paid with a donation made to the club for the contest.

Steve thanked all the members who have submitted photos, recipes, articles and suggestions for the webpage and Hilltop Highlights monthly newsletter. He trusts that the submissions will continue.

## Election results - Connie Ferguson

Connie announced the three officers Casey Fitzpatrick, chairperson, Beth Mushovic, treasurer, and Peggy Moore, secretary, had been elected by unanimous ballot.

A motion to authorize Chairman, Casey Fitzpatrick and Treasurer, Beth Mushovic to sign checks and make other transactions with our financial institution for the Oceana Garden Club was made by Hank Mabrey and seconded by Connie Ferguson. The motion passed unanimously.

Submitted on January 17, 2020

*Stephen D. Ashworth*, secretary