

LONG BEACH COMMUNITY GARDEN ASSOCIATION (LBCGA)  
**Minutes of the October 13, 2022 Board Meeting**

A Zoom meeting was conducted. ATTENDEES: Greg Marcotte, Nancy Bernstein, Kathy Jarvis, Carol Meyer, Lonnie Brundage, Nancy Alperin, Alan Coles, Anita Cordova, Chuck Davis, Frank Dayak, Dan Freleaux, Milton Johnson, and Sher Meyers.  
 ABSENT: Mary Sue O.  
 MEMBERS PRESENT: Doug Mullin.

<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>DISCUSSION</b>	<b>ACTION</b>
Call to Order	Greg M. called the Zoom Meeting to order at 6:34 p.m.	Call to order
Minutes of August 25, 2022 Minutes of August 1,, 2022 Minutes of July 18, 2022	Motion to approve August 25, 2022 Minutes by Chuck D. and second by Frank D. Motion approved. Motion to approve August 1, 2022 Minutes by Alan C. and second by Milton J. Motion approved.  Motion to approve August 25,, 2022 Minutes by Alan C. and second by Nancy B. Motion approved.	Motion approved
Report of the President – Greg M.	<u>Coffee Grounds</u> – Coffee grounds box has been taken and now all but the gazebo have been locked to the fence (newly assigned gardener to remove filters from boxes weekly)  <u>Wheelbarrows</u> – Greg M. took inventory of wheelbarrows – some not marked, added marking  Conducted 2 <sup>nd</sup> inventory, only one missing – cracked 4 wheel one  One new gorilla cart donated (4 wheel one)  <u>Watering</u> – Open end hose watering discussion  Alan C. proposes new rule for watering - add to new business  <u>Intruder</u> – Last night, camera by Green Shed had an alarm, guy on a bike – Greg M. called 911 and went to the garden – guy was gone when police arrived. Alan C. thinks light may have deterred him.	No action
Report of the Treasurer – Carol M.	Reported we are over on parts & tools budget but overall, budget looks good.  <u>Water Bills</u> – Irregular as usual - 2x LB water/Parks & Rec bills (\$1360/1500 for sept 2 & 6)  Partners of Parks balance - \$462.70  If you are going to file a Reimbursement form of over \$100, check with Greg M. first  Motion to approve payment of bills by Frank D. and seconded by Milton J. motion approved	Motion approved

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Report of 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President – Nancy B.	<u>New Members &amp; Vacant Plots</u> – Nancy B. reported that there are three new members and five plot vacancies and five people on the waitlist. Nancy will conduct orientations with the possible new members	No action
Work Party Report – Greg M.	Had 30 members for the October work party and all the planned projects were completed.	No action
Food Bank Report – Anita C.	<u>Plots Cleaned</u> – Plan to get new crops on 24th, need 6 members to help plant Need more help to water 3 <sup>rd</sup> plot, plan to only plant 2 if no help Tried new things this year, but then people weren't there to help pick & cleanup Alan - suggested once a week work party for food bank Nancy suggests planting collards in 3 <sup>rd</sup> plot (Q5). Carol will plant half this plot.	No action
Orchard Report – Alan C.	Been adding gypsum to the orchard.	No action
Border Board Report – Chuck C.	Reported he and Marc (I-02) are taking care of the border boards.	No action
Old Business:	<u>Road Repairs</u> – Hole In road – Dan F., Fidel R. and Frank D. – need 2x bags of asphalt Greg M. reported - may have more sinkholes by back SW corner my portelet Possible future money in infrastructure plan – keep watching <u>Reclaimed Water</u> – Chuck D. & Alen C. did research – Salt level is too high Met with plumbers about 12 valves, Need to get a recommended plumber to replace valves Remote valves not a viable option and MOB manager recommended replacing all valved Need to open & close valves at least every 6 months – maintenance	No action  No action

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New Business:	<p><u>Plots Without CS Hours</u> – Carol M. reported that there are 140 plots without hours. Some will most likely opt for paying</p> <p><u>Watering Rules</u> – Alan C. motioned that we require a nozzle on a hose when watering and that watering with an open hose is not allowed. Motion seconded by Carol M.</p> <p><u>Storm Drain Cleanings</u> — Alan reported about a meeting held on 9/1/22 with Carol, Greg, and Willie Owens, Superintendent Street Maintenance Division to discuss the problem with a private contractor, United Storm Water Inc., using the garden as an access to the city land on the east side of the gardens. The contractor tears down the fence in the SE corner of the gardens every 2 years. The heavy equipment damages the road and some of the facilities in the garden. The contractor does a very poor job of repairing the damage. Alan contacted the contractor directly to have a crew repair the fence and other damage including a pole which resulted in a water leak.</p> <p>We are asking Willie’s department to look into an alternate location for the contractor to use to access the storm channel. Alan also asked Willie about items in the contract that are not being performed such as vegetation removal and fence repair. High palm tree recently had to be cut due to contact with power lines. There is low confidence that Willie’s department will take any action on these issues and we will need to contact councilman Supernaw and the superintendent of parks.</p> <p>Carol M. – Suggested we wait till after the election to pursue a conversation, since we have 2 years until the next clean out.</p>	<p>No action</p> <p>Motion approved-Alan to write up new rule</p> <p>No action</p> <p>No action</p>
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned by Greg M. at 7:40 p.m.	Meeting Adjourned

Carol M. added a note that the next meeting is set for the first Monday (December 5, 2022)

Draft Minutes Prepared by Doug Mullin Date: October 16, 2022