

## **Pine Street Community Gardens Special General Meeting**

Sunday September 14, 2014 at noon  
149 West 4th Avenue (MEC)  
Vancouver BC

Quorum was reached at 12:04 pm.

21 PSCG members were in attendance, including the 2014 Board: Verena Foxx, Sarah Penfold, Julia Lemiux, David Manz, Adam Vasilevich

Regrets: Teresa Ma

Verena Foxx chaired the meeting.

**Treasurer's Report:** Sarah Penfold reported that there is a \$3100 balance to date. Usually, a minimum balance of \$2000 is carried forward into the next year, with a working balance of \$1300. As per the 2014 AGM unanimously passed Motion: To collaborate with the City of Vancouver Park/Garden integration plan, to allocate funds towards this project over two years and with grant application, and to create two new Board positions to support this plan, namely: City Park Liaison and City Park Coordinator, a portion of the remaining 2014 funds will be allocated towards the city park project.

### **Motions**

**1. To build the outside frames of twenty four new 10' x 5' garden plots as part of the City of Vancouver Park and PSCG collaboration on the land adjacent to the new park at 6th/Fir Street, as soon as possible.**

Moved Chair/seconded Sarah. Carried unanimously.

**2. To relocate gardeners for the 2015 garden season, whose plots are currently on CP land and who would either be left with no garden plot or with one less than the proposed 10' x 5' (or ca 50 sq. ft equivalent) plots to be built at the new park.**

**Affected gardeners will be given the option to move to a plot adjacent to the new park, or to an available plot in the current garden area.**

**Plot re-assignment will be done by a lottery system as set up by the Membership Coordinator/s of the PSCG Board. Gardeners will be asked to choose their specific plot location as their names are drawn.**

Moved Chair/seconded Irma.

Julia reported that there are 19 plots are affected by the CP Rail issue; there will be 24 new plots in the city park; some members are not renewing next season.

Amendment to lottery selection process: (Joe/Carol) That re-assignment by lottery be based on two lotteries (first one, for members with 5+ years/seniority in the garden; the second one, for members with 1-4 years in the garden). Amended motion passed (14/4).

\*\*Affected members are asked to self-identify their years of garden membership to facilitate the relocation process as soon as possible.

**3. To split the costs of construction materials of the new park plots 50/50 between Pine Street Community Gardens and those gardeners assigned to the new plots.**

Moved Chair/seconded Carol.

Adam reported that his estimate of cost per new plot to a member to be ca \$65. This included wood and hardware. Labour will be member supported (work party) and soil will be PSCG supported through grant applications, city liaison, etc (to be determined).

**4. To make available any remaining park plots to current gardeners whose plots are within the city licensed 14 feet from the curb, but who wish to be relocated. This will be done by lottery system where gardeners can select from available park plots as their names are drawn, and maintaining their current plot if their name is not drawn.**

Moved Chair, seconded Joe. Unanimous.

Laurier moved/Catherine seconded a motion to adjourn at 12:45.