



Uxbridge Community Gardens

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October 9, 2012
Lower Town Hall
21 S. Main St, Uxbridge

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order: 7:00pm

Quorum: 5/5 in attendance.

Minutes of Sept 17, 2012: Kris Holt reporting. Minutes read & accepted as written.

Treasurer's Report: Sandy Lemire reporting. Treasurer's report accepted with a balance of \$3774.08.

Old Business

1. Fall Cleanup: Barbara has emailed gardeners who aren't returning to remind them to clean their plot, including removal of fencing. A message will be sent out to all members, stating cleanup should be completed by November 3, 2012. There will be a record kept of those who wanted to be plowed vs. no plow. It is suggested to remove water barrels and all plant material. It is ok for returning gardeners to leave fencing up. The big water tank needs to be emptied. Barbara will measure the tank to be able to buy an appropriate sized tarp to cover it for winter. There will not be a group cleanup day, just a deadline for individuals.

2. Potluck: This event has been "tabled" until next year. It was suggested it might be a good late-winter function, possibly at the senior center. A seed exchange could be incorporated.

3. Town Meeting Articles: The BOS was also meeting tonight (10-9) to discuss the recommendation of the warrant articles, including the UCG petition articles. The first UCG article is to make the group a town committee, and the second article is to establish a revolving fund. The articles were read to those in attendance.

Town meeting is November 20, 2012 at 7:00pm. The articles require a simple majority to pass.

Barbara presented a handout with information regarding the benefits of UCG being a town committee.

We would have to abide by open meeting laws. "Skyping" into a meeting would be allowed. A quorum will be required. The procedures (posting agendas, minutes, etc.) are already being followed.

We would have complete control over the revolving fund.

If the articles don't pass, we will have to establish as a nonprofit a.s.a.p., and enter into a formal agreement with the town for the use of the land.

A "Friends of UCG" would be established to run fundraising and social events.

Terms will be three years, appointed by the town manager.

Barbara will check to see the dates of the FinCom hearings regarding the UCG petition articles.

New Business:

1. **Member concerns:** Squash bugs reviewed again.

2. **Presentation:** On November 15, 2012, Barbara Hall will present "Books to Read by the Fire" at the Uxbridge Library. It will be a collection of essays and gardening books, and a handout will be included.

Meeting adjourned.

Next UCG Meeting TBD

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Holt
UCG Secretary

Barbara Hall	Chairperson	<u>Barbara Hall</u>
Kim DeMers	Vice Chair	<u>Kim DeMers</u>
Sandy Lemire	Treasurer	<u>Sandy Lemire</u>
Kris Holt	Secretary	<u>Kris Holt</u>
Jackie Wheelock	Member at Large	<u>Jackie Wheelock</u>