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## Steering Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday, August 4, 2022

Meeting Time: 6:37 PM – 7:51 PM

Attendees: Neal [facilitator & minutes], Dave, Lyn, Mary, and Beth. Kristen travelling

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### Agenda Items:

1. New Rebuild Materials [Lyn]: The additional materials have been purchased and will be ready to ship. When Kristen returns she will have additional delivery information.
2. Plot number install [Neal]: Has been rescuing old numbers from plots. Installing only on active plots. Once all active plots completed, will complete inventory of remaining numbers and purchase as needed.
3. Donation fall plans [Beth]: The plots are affected with root knot nematodes. Donation team is currently researching options to combat. This may require closing the large plots down for the fall. There are several open plots that may be used in the interim.
4. Donation team grant effort [Lyn]: Will explore available \$500 APF grant to acquire a more sturdy set of tomato cages that the team can reuse every season. In addition, use this as an opportunity to add more tools our dwindling inventory.
5. Potential fall orientation [Beth & Lyn]: There are now over 15 open plots completed. If possible Membership would like to do a mini-fall orientation. 8-10 max.
6. Resuming community activities [Neal & Mary]: Have been wanting to get the ball rolling on restarting community activities both inside and outside the garden, for some time. Fall is most likely a good time to start as it will hopefully be much cooler. Maybe a soft relaunch with a simple in garden Q&A?
7. Ant Treatment [Beth]: Members have noticed an increase in ants in their plots. Looking to schedule a garden wide treatment as soon as possible. Beth and Dave will coordinate assembling a team and garden closing.
8. Garbage/debris/tomato cage pile up: Tackle at upcoming work day. The pile is a hazard and unsightly. We have to remind gardeners that they must take away old or broken material.
9. Misc. [Neal]: We are still under water restriction unfortunately. If observed we should all remind gardeners to comply with the mandate. Several members were observed watering the butterfly garden. They must use the water in the tank. The heat has meant that gardeners are already using more water than usual on their plots.