

**COVERT TOWNSHIP
COMMUNITY GARDEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Friday, March 22, 2024 at 3:00 PM

Covert Branch Library, 33805 M-140, Covert, MI 49043

DRAFT MEETING MINUTES

The meeting was called to order by R. Job at 3:09 PM.

Members Present: Daywi Cook, Rebecca Job, Michelina Dominguez, Barbara Bainbridge
Members Absent: Patrice Jackson

AGENDA

Motion by D. Cook, seconded by R. Job, to approve the agenda as presented. Carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None

MINUTES

Motion by D. Cook, M. Dominguez, to approve the minutes from the 2/23/2024 meeting as presented. Carried unanimously.

BUDGET UPDATE

D. Cook presented a recommended budget based on desires of the committee that were discussed at the prior meeting. For April programming, improvements to the garden and materials for maintenance of the garden, the cost for the season is \$1225.13. This leaves \$1,454.47 in the fund balance for ongoing programming.

Motion by M. Dominguez, seconded by D. Cook, to approve a budget of \$1225.13 for the 2024 season.

EARTH DAY EVENT PLANNING

Committee members did a mock up of the mini greenhouse and made slight modifications to the design. A list of materials will be purchased from Township with the donated funds. The event will be held April 22, 2024 from 3pm – 4pm. A variety of seeds, including marigolds, tomatoes and peppers, will be available and instructions drafted by D. Cook. The library will market this event and Township/Garden Club will help spread the word.

GARDEN BED PLANNING

Two work days have been scheduled to begin planting, build the shed, install the fence and prepare the beds for the season - April 25 at 1:00pm and May 16 at 1:00pm. Last frost date is estimated May 14. R. Job will post these volunteer events on Facebook.

VOLUNTEER UPDATE

D. Cook shared a produce stand design. Volunteers will gather found materials and build a produce stand in June.

Motion to adjourn at 4:12pm. Next Meeting Friday, April 26, 2024 at 3:00 PM (Arbor Day!)

Respectfully submitted by Daywi Cook, Secretary