

## Eco Gardeners February 20, 2023 Minutes of Meeting

### 1. Quorum

15 members were in attendance, constituting a quorum.

### 2. Minutes of January Meeting

The minutes of the January 2023 meeting were read and approved.

### 3. Treasurer's Report

a. Opening Balance	\$949.34
b. Income	\$900.00
c. Expenses	\$179.52
d. Closing Balance	\$1668.82

### Old Business

4. The meeting of the Board and Theresa Fields occurred on February 8, 2023. Items discussed were:
  - a. Liability insurance was discussed. Theresa provided a summary from the liability insurance meeting that OTOW convened a few years ago.
  - b. Procuring a trash bin at the gardens for non-compostable materials.
  - c. Security: Installation of cameras will require OTOW approval.
  - d. Funding from OTOW for wood replacement – OTOW will advise results of their final budget meeting in early March.
  - e. Anyone from Indigo or Weybourne Landing joining the club need an OTOW ID with "Gateway" stamped upon it.
5. Item 9 of the "Policies and Procedures document was incorrectly modified, inadvertently removing the ban on using "Roundup" in the garden plots. This error has been corrected, as noted below, to include the Roundup ban, as well as the new ban on using powder or dust forms of herbicides/insecticides.

***Herbicides such as Roundup are prohibited because they may filter into gardens adjacent to the plot tended. Insecticides/herbicides in powdered/dust form are banned from use in the garden as these can drift onto your neighbor's plot (liquid or granular insecticides/herbicides are acceptable). Members shall not apply anything to plots not their own unless given permission by plot's owner.***

### New Business

6. The pot luck scheduled for the March club meeting at the regular meeting time was re-scheduled to the April meeting. The board will solicit the membership to volunteer the dish they would like to bring.

### Remarks for the Good of the Club

7. Virtually all members have paid their 2023 dues. The treasurer estimates there are ~6 members having outstanding dues. Anyone that has unable not paid their dues should contact the Treasurer to arrange payment.
8. The release of the club website is still on schedule for the April 1, 2023 release.
9. Pictures of trash left at the garden were shown. Members were requested to deposit trash in appropriate trash bins and not leave it unattended at the garden plots.
10. There is no need for further tool donations at this time. Please do not bring any garden tools to the plots for donation to the club until further notice.
11. The topic of un-kept garden plots was raised & discussed. The board will send letters to the owners of plots requiring attention.
12. The un-kept garden plot discussion also included points regarding plots that appear to be idle or do not appear to have been used. The board will take up issue at the next board meeting.