



River Bend Community Organic Garden & Education Center

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Draft Meeting Minutes November 3, 2025

Present: Arwen Gibson, Jackie Herbster, JoAnna Kloster, Judi Lloyd, Barbara Maurer, Chris Organ, Barbara Pilcher, and Ellen Serra

The meeting was called to order at 1:32 pm by Ms. Maurer.

Review and Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes: All members received and reviewed the 10/6/25 meeting minutes. Ms. Lloyd made a motion to approve the minutes and the motion was seconded by Ms. Gibson. The motion was approved unanimously.

Financial Report: Ms. Lloyd presented the financial report from Friends of River Bend Community Organic Garden.

Garden Update: Ms. Maurer reported labor/administrative hours for the month of October totaled 136 (YTD labor/administrative hours total 1,307.25 hours) and 110.5 pounds of vegetables and herbs were harvested in October (YTD harvest total 2,846.5 pounds). A Garden workday is scheduled for November 15th. Ms. Maurer reported that 8 beds have RKN and are scheduled to be tilled and supplemented with lobster/crab shells. Projects that need to be completed before Winter sets in includes installing the hoop/fabric system to cover the tender Fall/Winter vegetables, organize and clean out the greenhouse and winterizing the parsley and asclepias. Ms. Herbster reported that 6 Monarchs were released in October.

Old Business:

Swap-A-Plant: Ms. Gibson reported the next step in this project is to clean out the fenced in area and construct the shelving and shelter.

New Business:

2026 Plant Sale: After discussion, it was decided to take a vote at the December meeting whether the Garden will have a Plant Sale in the Spring of 2026.

There being no further business, Ms. Lloyd made a motion to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Ms. Serra. The motion was approved unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:25 pm.

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 1, 2025 at 1:30 pm.

Submitted by,

Jackie Herbster, Secretary