



## HIGHLAND SPRINGS GARDEN CLUB BUSINESS MEETING

Tuesday, September 2, 2025

Questions/feedback, contact Club Secretary, Carol Goodman

**Executive Committee** – Meeting called to order at 9:15am by Delores Garbarini in the absence of president, Billy Penn. Attending: Delores Garbarini, Vicky Aranda, Carol Goodman, Steve Lindner, Sandy Balch

### Discussion topics:

1. A By-laws change is needed to reflect that the Questionnaire and annual dues are to be turned in by November meeting instead of December. It will be announced in today's general meeting and voted on in October meeting.
2. The election of officers will still be held at the November meeting. It will only take approximately five minutes during the social so there is no need for by-laws change for the election process.
3. Updates to Ice Cream Social: To be held November 4, 1-2:30 in the Arbor Room.
  - a. Club officers will go in person to invite special guests. Vicky will send the list and the color invitation to the officers.
  - b. The theme will be fall garden party. There will be decorations to reflect the theme.
  - c. Non-member residents will be given a "leaf" sticker to identify them for special recognition.
  - d. There will be door prizes for members and guests. Vicky estimated an expenditure of \$150 for the event.
4. There was a discussion of the potential candidate for Vice-President. Delores (VP), Vicky (Treas.) and Carol (Secy) will return in their positions, but the office of Vice-President needs to be filled.
5. Activities Fair: Delores handed out the flyer that will be distributed at the Activities Fair, September 18, 10am. She asked for review and comments. The flyer informs prospective members of the mission and the perks of the garden club.
6. The history project was discussed. It was decided that the project can be considered complete. It will be added to the website. Future updates and photos will be added as available.

Meeting adjourned at 9:50am.



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**Garden Club Business Meeting Minutes – 09/02/2025** – Meeting called to order at 10am by Delores Garbarini in the absence of president, Billy Penn.

- Minutes were approved as posted.
- Treasurer's Report: There is a balance of \$1,638.00.

### 1. Garden Manager's Report

All Garden Managers requested:

- Club members consider weeding and cleaning up beds in time for Fill and Till. The ground is soft and it is a good time to pull up weeds and plants.
  - There are carpenter ants and wasps in the gardens. Managers asked that any pest spray be used in short bursts at dusk or dawn.
  - Managers also requested that the club have a rabbit-proofing action plan.
  - Large items that have been removed from the bed (such as large zinnia plants) can be placed in the garbage can or on the ground in front of the garbage cans.
  - Please do not put any plant debris or other plant matter in the compost beds.
2. New Members: Jim Brown in neighborhood 3 was introduced as a new garden club member.
  3. Activities Fair: Delores handed out the garden club flyer to be handed out at the Activities Fair and asked for comments. Nancy Ross was thanked for her help with the flyer.
  4. November Ice Cream Garden Party Update: The theme will be fall. Guests are invited as this is the time to generate interest in the club and outreach to obtain new members. There will be door prize drawings along with a brief period of announcements and the 2026 officers will be voted on. Members are encouraged to invite prospective members to the social.
  5. Lottery & Membership: The Questionnaire and a check or cash for the \$30/year dues will be due at the November 4<sup>th</sup> meeting.
  6. By-Laws Change: Delores announced there will be a change to the by-laws to reflect the Questionnaire and annual dues of \$30 are to be turned in at November meeting instead of December as in Appendix I of the by-laws. The by laws change vote will be at the October 2025 meeting.

The Business Meeting was adjourned at 10:25am. The meeting adjourned for the presentation on the *Lottery Process* by Delores Garabarini. This process will be posted to the club website.