

Greene Co. Master Gardeners  
Zoom business meeting  
June 9, 2020 @ 10:04 am

President Dan Denham welcomed all participants to the Zoom meeting. There were 34 participants logged into Zoom.

Garry Abfalter made a motion to accept the minutes from the May 2020 business meeting, which was seconded by Pam Carter. Motion passed by participants voting via the Zoom meeting platform.

**Treasurer's report** prepared by Skip Mahan

Checking account balance June 1	\$11,473
Projected revenue	\$8,380
Less obligated	(\$14,106)
Projected checking balance 12/31/20	\$5,772
Savings	\$2,060
CDs	\$5,179
Total cash	\$13,011

Obligated Funds - Breakdown -June 2020

Total membership & contributions	\$810
Total fundraising	\$1,790
Total volunteers & education	\$10,056
Total administrative & operations	\$1,000
Total expenses	\$14,106

Project managers were asked to determine what can be postponed or deleted from their 2020 budget. Hopefully, project managers will focus on spending only what is needed and not spend the whole amount budgeted. The 2021 budget requests need to be submitted by the project managers by July 31st so that the budgets can be approved by the August business meeting. Trevor mentioned that, if possible, some of the projects will be able to complete their educational goals this fall.

Old Business-

The proposed bylaw changes have been on the VMS and sent out via email. Garry thanked Dan for all the work Dan put into the bylaw changes. Garry also thanked the board. Nimfa Simpson made a motion to approve the proposed bylaw changes which was seconded by Jane Worth. The zoom vote passed with 100% of those present voting in favor of the Bylaws as amended.

Growing degree days

6/9/2019 growing degree days(GDD) 894

6/9/2020 growing degree days(GDD) 813

Northern catalpa-full bloom	816
Oakleaf hydrangea-first bloom	835
Fall webworm egg hatch	867
Mimosa webworm egg hatch(1st gen)	874
Japanese beetle adult emergence	970
Emerald ash borer 50% emergence	1000

Dan showed us a picture of a little known native flower named *Porteranthus trifoliata* or sometimes called Gillenia trifoliata, commonly called Indian physic or Bowman's root. It is an upright, clump-forming, somewhat bushy perennial which typically grows 2-3' with masses of slender, 5 petaled, star-like, white flowers. It is not known where this plant could be purchased.

The August 22<sup>nd</sup> fall plant sale planning is moving forward. MGV's are encouraged to send pictures of perennials they are donating while blooming to be used in flyers advertising the sale. House plants are encouraged to help round out the plant selection. Succulents will be for sale in creative pots.

MGV's are encouraged to start seeds in early July of fall veggies to sell. Desired vegetables are broccoli, brussels sprouts, cabbage, cauliflower, kale, lettuce, mustard, spinach, and swiss chard, and possibly herbs. MGV's are encouraged to make direct plantings of lettuce bowls, i.e. wide and short containers. We will need to continue to be flexible as OSU guidelines are continually updated. Kim has a flyer ready for release regarding the plant sale.

Jane Worth with the help of Pam Carter will represent the board nominating committee. They are searching for vice president nominees and for nominees to replace two members at large on the board. If you would like to serve or know of someone, please let Jane know by this Friday. Elections will be held in the fall, probably October.

Garry has been working on the admin-operation guide and plans to get it out soon. It consists of items not covered by the bylaws i.e.-info that needs to be documented, process or procedural operations.

Cont. Ed-

June 11th at 1 pm. Thursday Backyard veggies-peppers and tomatoes. Kim will send out a Zoom invite.

Coordinator report given by Trevor-

All the 2020 diagnostic workshops, garden ability specializations and herb specializations have been postponed until 2021. The Farm Science review is still on as scheduled at this point. The Greene Co. Fair is on at this point. The fair board will meet on June 15th and more info will be forthcoming.

Lexington Park is designated a food production garden which is the only approved project like this in Greene Co. as of today. Let Kim and/or Trevor know if you want to help in the garden. There is a short training prior to beginning work. We should be seeing an article in the near future regarding this garden. GreeneLine helpline has been asked to help give ideas regarding wildlife deterrents at Lexington Park.

Lunch and learn cont. Ed is coming to an end. MGVS have taken advantage of all the cont. Ed opportunities early this year so that we can be out in the project gardens when restrictions are lifted.

The extension office will be open starting next week for appointment only. On July 6th or maybe earlier, we will receive more info from OSU regarding lifting restrictions.

Open discussion-

The next business meeting will be held on July 14th. It is undetermined if it will be a Zoom meeting, an open air meeting or another type of meeting. Time is also TBA.

Debby Haines made a motion to adjourn with a second by Debbie Downes. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

Respectfully submitted

Carol Lea Brown  
Greene Co. MGVS secretary