



WASHINGTON COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
Minutes
August 4, 2020

Present: 77 members and 2 guests

Quorum: Yes

The general membership meeting was again held virtually via Zoom with Colin Massey serving as Host. Massey asked everyone for three things: stay muted unless you're making or seconding a motion, use the chat box for questions and, especially during the program, also turn off your video. He then turned the meeting over to Birkhead.

Call to Order. President Kathryn Birkhead called the meeting to order at 6:34 pm.

Approval of the July minutes. Motion and second received to approve the July minutes as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of June Treasurer's Report. Motion and second received to approve the June Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried.

New business: Susan Young announced the slate from the Nominating Committee and gave her thanks to Nancy Sloan and Linda Morrow for working with her on this project. The vote will be held during the September meeting. Nominees are:

- President: Kathryn Birkhead (2nd year)
- Vice president: Karen Hanna-Towne
- Secretary: Kim Hughes
- Treasurer: Wanda Gore
- Assistant treasurer: Jill King
- Members at large: Randy Butler, LaDeana Mullinix, Jim Sposato

Announcements

- **County 76 sale.** Patsy Louk announced a Pop-Up Fundraiser to be held on August 21 from 9:00am to 7:00pm at the Washington County Extension Office parking lot. Purchases are by pre-order or appointment only. Masks are required for in-person shopping. Information was sent out in the MailChimp last Friday and will be included in the next issue of Garden Thyme.

- Recording hours. You've heard it before but it's *still* important. Remember that the requirement for volunteer hours has been waived for this year due to COVID-19, but the requirement for education hours has not. Massey records our hours in his monthly reports and they translate into important funding for the Extension Office.
- Massey extended special thanks to the Sunshine Committee for their efforts in reaching out to the membership with a kind word during these difficult times.
- News to Judy for Garden Thyme. Birkhead complimented the Garden Thyme Committee on the many wonderful articles and personal touches in recent issues. Members are encouraged to send items to Judy for future issues.
- Checking in. Birkhead thanked those members who have taken the time to reach out to fellow members during this extended separation caused by the pandemic. She encouraged everyone to remember to reach out and check in on each other.
- Massey announced that we are coming up to the deadline for new Master Gardener applications for training in September with 25 applications currently for in-person training and several more for online training. We're unsure at this point how training will be affected by the pandemic, but will have an answer on that soon.

Adjourn business meeting

There being no further business to come before the group and with a motion to adjourn, the business meeting ended at 6:49pm.

Tonight's Program: "The Ozark Chinquapin Tree" presented by Steve Chyrchel, Interpreter at Hobbs State Park.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ruthanne Hill
Secretary