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## Steering Council Meeting Minutes

Meeting Date: Thursday, Feb 3, 2022

Meeting Time: 6:34 PM –

Attendees: Neal [facilitator], Kristen [minutes] Dave, Lyn, Beth, and Kate

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### Agenda Items:

1. NPP budget:

- a. Budget: Contingency \$5,000 to play with include fencing
  - Fencing: asking for extension of 6-8 months
- b. Options: Bagster or large dumpster ([here](#))
  1. Dump area behind the fence or area for big builds.
  2. Alternative is to put by orchard
  3. 10 cubic yards with a haul off dumpster vs 3 cubic yard for bagster or similar
  4. Issue with spacing for overheads and fill it up, and get rid of it

Question:

Where do we stage the old lumber?

- a. Put to the right of the fencing? Hidden and no wires.
- b. Waste management alternatives to hidden

Rebuild: Neal did a writeup for building your own plot. Will share with the community.

- Work Day – Ask people to pull apart their plots and pack aside
- IMPD build and/or Schedule to rebuild and get it done

c. 2' Plot:

- Lyn - Aoife can keep her plot and confirm if Susan J still wants the tall plot, Nia changed her mind and will stay on the large plot waitlist
- 2' plots – Leave empty until needed and treat like 10x10 for next orientation

2. Waitlist:

- a. Beth emailed everyone on the waitlist about delayed orientation and if still interested on remaining on list. Out of 75 people, got 5 responses



### 3. Future Plan:

Annual Meetings and elections – Need to put the election to a vote and ask for people to take a new role. Given the delays around rebuilding, continued effects of the pandemic etc., not sure when this can be realistically addressed.

MOTION: To delay elections until we have a better picture of where things stand across the board. Note that the SC is already stretched thin and would like at some point in the near future to start handing the reins over to other interested and invested members. MOTIONED PASSED UNANIMOUSLY

Get people on Amherst to plan to rebuild on their own with details

- Send an email out to low effort members to do their plot.
- Get plots cleared and help each other-fill plots out
- Get on-board
- Sending a shared calendar
- 1 share the info
- Share their schedule and plan their weekend
  1. Spring Planting sooner than later
  2. Fencing goes away in April; faster we can all progressEncouraging language and bite the bullet now and get spring planting setup as soon as possible. Anyone feels they need support

### To-Do:

Neal/Kristen - Survey questions for self-build:

- Do you want to build it on your?
- Do you need help?
- What days can you build? Weekend vs weekday (days)
- What is your plot number?