



Uxbridge Community Gardens

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February 5, 2020  
Uxbridge Town Hall  
21 S. Main St, Uxbridge

## Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:** 7:00pm

**Quorum:** 5/5 in attendance.

**Minutes of October 17, 2019:** Kris Holt reporting. Minutes read & accepted as written.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jackie Wheelock reporting. Balance as of 02/05/20 is \$11,979.80  
Treasurer's report accepted.

### Old Business

1. Garden shed update – plan to place where the water trough is. Put down gravel first. Delivery has been delayed. Shed will store tools, will be locked.
2. Attracting and retaining gardeners – advertise at town elections, sign on town common, friends of library function, other garden clubs, etc. Have BOS make an announcement. Advertise at area businesses, ? town email list, advertise on social media. Monthly newspaper articles. Dog park opening event in April.
  - a. Mass Agricultural Workshop – Dave – will discuss next meeting
  - b. Scheduling regular “question about gardening dates” at the gardens
  - c. Raised beds in wet plots – Kim to get quotes
3. Review of calendar for 2020 - opening day -? Raffle. Maybe coordinate opening day with the dog park. Have balloons. Dave will do a raffle basket.
4. URI seed program – update – The seeds have come in, there is less of a selection this year. Brenda will sort and drop off at the library. We will also bring some to opening day.
5. Letters / ground rules mailed - they are printed and will be mailed next week
6. Tax exempt form – clarification – can UCG establish an account at Koopmans?  
Jackie to clarify

## New Business

1. Gardens reserved for 2020 - review
2. Gardens to open next year- last row or first row? Review of available plots.  
Discussion about handicap accessible gardens
3. Abandoned plots / spring cleanup – 15, 26, 28, 37 will need attention.
4. How to spend money – water (dog park cost), raised beds, tiller rentals, Dave plowing. Well costs could run up to \$25,000 if services not donated. Water tank cover needs to be fixed before it can be filled. We will assess empty plots in the spring to determine if raised beds should be put in. Wood / labor / soil costs. Dave will push compost piles in the spring. We will possibly do a Sunday rental of a tiller from Koopmans for gardeners to sign up to use. An email will go out to gardeners to gauge interest and start a schedule. Possibly two dates in May. Possibly paying speaker fees for programs. Maybe loads of manure delivered, possibly Wright's Dairy Farm
5. Advertising / Bulletin board –ideas to put on? Increase use, gardening tips

## Next UCG Meeting TBD

Respectfully Submitted,

Kristen Holt  
UCG Secretary

Kim DeMers  
Dave Chaplin  
Jackie Wheelock  
Kris Holt  
Tina Saucier

Chairperson	<u>Kim DeMers</u>
Vice Chair	<u>Dave Chaplin</u>
Treasurer	<u>Jackie Wheelock</u>
Secretary	<u>Kris Holt</u>
Member at Large	<u>Branda Morrisette</u>