

## **GREATER ST LOUIS DAFFODIL SOCIETY MINUTES OF MEETING JULY 23, 2022**

The meeting was called to order by President Vaughn Meister at 1:40 pm.

Introduction of speaker—Vaughn introduced herself as volunteer for Forest ReLeaf—a non-profit whose purpose is “to have more green” especially native trees. The organization has 8 acres at Creve Coeur Park which allows them to plant up to 18,000 bare root seedlings/year which are obtained from the State Nursery. Most trees are grown in 3 gallon pots which are then given to public works departments and other non-profits. Other trees are grown in 15 gallon pots which go to “tree deserts” especially in St. Louis City. There is a hoop house for 3 gallon pots to winter over. Other services include foresters teaching at Missouri Botanical Garden and St. Louis Community College. Forest Relief also offers tree keepers class to help landowners plant and manage trees on their lands. Tree camp which runs for 5 days offers 5th graders opportunities to be involved in learning about importance of trees.

Treasurer’s report—Peter Mc Adams sent report stating we have \$14,811 balance in checking account.

Old Business—During 2022 our meetings will be on Saturdays as CBEC will not be open on Sundays.

New Business—

Officers—currently have President and Treasurer. Need to have positions of Vice President, Secretary and board member filled. Pam Hardy will organize nominating committee. Lynn Slackman also will serve.

Bylaws—need to be reviewed for how organization currently functions. We need some folks to look for changes needed.

Daffodil Rave—Sonja Lallemand will be in charge.

Bulb Sale—Peter McAdams will donate bulbs. John Reed is deceased, and farm will be liquidated so have to locate other sources of bulbs. Lynn Slackman will ask Jason about coming to dig bulbs and get date for same.

Green Tree Festival September 16-18, 2022—need volunteers for various shifts

Bulb exchange October 29, 2022—Pam Hardy moved, and Sonja Lallemand seconded that we allocate \$1200 to purchase bulbs. Motion passed unanimously.

Memorials for John Reed and Dave Niswonger—Pam Hardy moved and Annie Kennedy seconded a motion to make \$100 donation in each of their names to American Daffodil Society. Motion passed unanimously.

Daffodil Show 2023—Need place and date. Jean Morris will inquire about possibility of having it at same church as this year. Lynn Slackman will inquire about availability of space at Mo Bot. Jean will ask Kim Peterson about being in charge of design. Vaughn will inquire about who will be overall show lead.

We concluded our meeting with the door prize drawing. Winners were Kam Fok and Alan Greenwalt.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 pm

Respectfully submitted,

Linda York, Secretary pro-tem