



The decision was made to NOT sell poinsettias at Mother Stewart's in December.

Plants and Pints will be offered in the Spring, with any plants left over going into the May Plant Sale. The budget for Plants and Pints is currently \$900. \$1,500 additional funding is needed. A motion was made by George to approve the increase. Motion seconded by Teresa and passed.

Department of Taxation – Commercial Activity Sales Tax – if sales are under \$10,000, this tax is not applicable, and we would only pay the Sales Tax.

### **Pam Bennet Report**

Pam shared information about meeting with Clark State professors and potential collaboration.

One is to help them glean produce during the summer from their urban ag garden, and the other is to attend a field day that they will sponsor.

Pam shared information about the irrigation. We will be meeting next week with Hollandia to check for any leaks and to learn about the new irrigation system. Kiwanis will also be meeting with us, and they will owe one-third of the cost of the infrastructure.

Clark State Urban Ag program and Community Gardens will team up. Discussion followed, regarding a Grant and Field Day, featuring small engines.

A Development Committee is needed to create a fiscal update.

Ohio State is “on the hook” to manage funding coming from Deerwesters and Wingerts.

Pam is considering May/June 2025 retirement. She will remain active, but with no commitments. She will be serving two more years on the Park Board.

Designated Funds to be reduced for irrigation system

Hydrangea bed	\$806.00
Improvements	6,367.55
Quinlan Foundation	7,443.60
McKinstry Memorial	580.00
Vanderglas Memorial	50.00
Burkholder Memorial	<u>305.00</u>
	\$15,552.15

Dennis will be working full-time as of 10 April, at a rate of \$15, per George. Before that date, Dennis has been working as a volunteer. Jim Townsend is still vacillating about going half-time. James Scogstrom will be working intermittently.

### **Committee Reports:**

**Fundraising** – Linda Butler wants tools to sell at her plant swap. No related discussion.

**New Fundraising ideas** – Jeri suggested that we need to think “go big.” A one-day event has the potential of raising several thousand dollars.

**Golf Tournament**  
**Painting in the Park**  
**Bunko**

**Bingo**  
**Raffles**  
**5K Race**

**Potentially Take to Mother Stewart's for raffle** – LaDonna historical floral prints; Rita Lane knows Robin Wright. 50% profit on paintings

George will check further regarding the tax situation.

**Old Business:**

Pam is working on a strategic plan.

State Awards nominations – submitted by Beth. Next year due date, March 2025

SPGA – make sure to always use the full name in branding – “Snyder Park Gardens and Arboretum.”

Sidewalks and Concrete Pads – in process, with \$16,000 additional funds. Need a feature article in the newspaper, to include everything that is done by us.

Light post type signs to be matched.

**New Business:**

Priorities – First goal – complete entrance

Plants, mulch, parking blocks.

Need \$5,000 additional funding.

Complete prior to Jubilee.

The second survey is completed and ready for dissemination.

It was decided to eliminate Item “H” from the survey.

Spelling Bee – 24 September 2024. Cost is \$285, and the decision was made to not participate this year.

George will make contact to let them know.

George has received and subsequently returned a \$100 check from the Normans. Their hours are not completed.

Beth is making a roster update in HandsOn Connect.

The General Meeting was adjourned at 11:57am, with motion by Sue Ann, seconded by Jill.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Kathy Mark