

Chappell Hill Garden Club

September 8, 2021

The Chappell Hill Garden Club meeting opened in prayer by Sandy Smith at 10:02. Susan Baumann led the pledge of allegiance. Present were 40 members and seven guests, Ray Ballantyne, Annette Segura, Doug Smith, Donna Smith, Nancy McClure, Jody Clough and Marilyn Newman.

Refreshments were provided by Kathi Kleiner, Pam Waldren, Sandy Smith and Debra Salcedo.

A motion to approve the August 11, 2021 minutes was made by Susan Baumann and seconded by Loyce Jardell. The minutes were approved.

Home Tour Tickets are available for purchase by members, who are required to buy \$100 of tickets to sell or give away. Members were also encouraged to pay \$20 for the Christmas party.

Members who do not purchase their home tour tickets today must buy them at The Bluebonnet House.

Amendment to the By-Laws Because of the difficulty in getting a quorum at board meetings recently, the board approved increasing the maximum number of board members, subject to a member vote. Cathy McNurlen made a motion to change the by-laws to increase the maximum number of board members from six to nine. Sandy Smith seconded the motion, which passed.

Article V Section 1 in the By-laws will be updated.

Members will vote on all board members at the October meeting. Loyce Jardell and Debi Faver will be added to the slate of prospective board members. Dale Ramey asked if anyone else wanted to be added to the slate and no additional names were presented.

2022 Garden Tour Sandy Smith is chairman for the 2022 garden tour. Members should let Sandy know if they or someone they know is interested in having their gardens on the tour.

Home Tour Decorating Contest Twyla Kingsley is the chairman of the decorating contest. Members, divided into six teams, will decorate clay pots as Christmas characters. Twyla passed around a sign-up sheet for six team leaders.

Committee Registration Members are required to serve on a committee. Bennie Yates is the chair for committee registration. Bennie will pass around a list of committees at the November meeting. Members should think about which committee they would like to join. In January, members will pick their committee, and if they do not choose, Bennie will assign them to committees.

Home Tour Dale Ramey reported there are four homes on the 2021 home tour. One of the homes offers a lot of history. The cocktail party the night before the tour will be held at the historic home. Loyce Jardell will cater the party.

The Round Top Ruggers and the contest clay pots will be displayed at the Masonic Lodge.

Membership Libby Kenjura resigned for personal reasons. The club will miss Libby and her white elephant gift exchange management. Dale Ramey asked members to consider being in charge of the white elephant gift exchange at the Christmas party.

Airing of the Quilts The Chappell Hill Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring Airing of the Quilts on Main Street, Chappell Hill on Saturday, Sept. 11 from 10-3. Quilts will be displayed all around town. There will be an activity for children. Pictures of the thirteen fallen soldiers from Afghanistan will be displayed at the Memorial Garden.

Programs We will decorate pumpkins at the October meeting. The club will provide foam pumpkins. Members need to bring fabric and other items. Carol Madeley will email the supply list again before the meeting.

Main Street Cleanup Debi Faver thanked the volunteers who helped with cleanup on September 1. Debi gave the volunteers a token of appreciation. Debi thanked the Watering Committee for watering on Main Street. She

passed around a sign-up sheet for watering in October and November, if needed.

In October, bluebonnets will be planted on Main Street. Dale Ramey suggested delaying the planting of bluebonnets until after the Scarecrow Festival. At the Bluebonnet Festival in April, all the bluebonnets at the Post Office were destroyed. Debi will decide on the timing of Main Street Cleanup and Carol Madeley will send an email with the updated information.

Treasurer's Report Financial statements are available on the website. The combined bank balance as of August 31, 2021 was \$16,218.70, of which \$12,992.47 is in the savings account. Net income through August 2021 was a loss of \$10,779.66. Net income is negative until the home tour in December. Financial reports are attached to the original minutes.

Bennie Yates has been added to the list of people who can sign checks.

Program Jay White, publisher of Texas Gardener Magazine gave an interesting program on organic gardening.

Being no further business, Tommie Montgomery moved to adjourn; Angela Rutland seconded, and the meeting adjourned at 11:52.

Respectfully submitted,

Carol Madeley