

## Spencer Creek Community Grower's Market Board Meeting

March 17, 2024 at Andrea's house, 29141 Gimpl Hill Rd, Eugene, OR 97402

Notes taken by Andrea Turner, Secretary

Present: Glenn, Rachel, Ava, Gavin, Kelly, Gordon, Andrea

Glenn:

501-C4 is for political lobbying.

Glenn looked into the forms for starting the process of turning the market into a 501-C3. The bylaws need to be changed to show that the market is helping the community in some fashion. Could cost as little as \$250 to get the status. Jen Jonak has offered to help with the process (she is an attorney who has sold flowers at our market).

Rachel:

Current checking balance is: \$2348.03

There is an outstanding \$8,000 check from the UWSWCD that needs to be deposited.

Glenn:

He got hold of the new director at WFFC. Sam had done this previously, Gweneviere. They haven't gotten their funding yet so perhaps we are not too late. DUFB back-end management is pretty comprehensive with monthly and yearly submissions. Ava is interested in doing this process. There is a \$3,000 stipend associated with it. Ava is hoping that Sam can help teach her the process.

Glenn:

We had discussed at the last meeting that we would have live music less often with canned music instead. Kelly is suggesting once a month would be great for live music. There has to be some scheduling set so that the space is either set for musicians or set for vendors. Rachel had done open mic days in the past. Andrea said that we could just have one per month and then it would be 6 shows only. Kelly thinks that that would be manageable. The first market would be good, the last market would be good and the first Saturday of each month otherwise would be good.

We have lost Miranda and Ariel for running POP. There is a couple, Emily and Morgan Just, who is interested in selling pastries and bread and helping with POP. 'Just Bread' is the name of the bread/pastry business that Morgan Just runs. He has sold at the Whitaker market and he sold at the Veneta market last year.

We don't know if Ariel is still interested in helping on the board. Glenn will reach out to her to discuss it.

Glenn:

Miranda had looked into KWAX last year and Glenn discussed with them updated information. The demographic is an older demographic for KWAX so that might not be worth it. KRVM, KLCC, KOCF, are other potential radio stations to use. Our budget is \$440.

Andrea mentioned that Eleanor is interested in doing the social media and newsletters for the market for the \$500 stipend. Everyone seemed very interested.

Glenn is going to reach out to the general membership to see if anyone is interested in being the membership chair.

The UWSWCD money is very flexible. Rachel tried to refund them last year for \$600 we didn't spend but they didn't take it back.

The musician funding is for lunch only.

We are all in favor of E'lon serving lunch every other week during the summer. We have the necessary allocated funds.

Glenn mentioned that there is a woman up on McBeth who owns McBeth Vineyards and he will see if she is willing to sell again. He will inquire with the general membership.

Good Shepard Church: they are offering the church. The offer sounds great - matching the current rental pricing from the Grange. The only outstanding issue is the issue of storage of all the market stuff. Glenn will reach out to Laura Lay about storage and some of us would like to see it first. Glenn is conflicted about moving from the Grange to the Church. We still want to focus on produce vendors.

Rachel has asked if anyone is interested in taking over the treasurer role. No one is volunteering as of now. Glenn has asked if Andrea would be willing to be the treasurer. Andrea said that if as of the next board meeting, April 14<sup>th</sup>, no one has volunteered then Andrea will take on the temporary role of acting treasurer.