

Spencer Creek Community Grower's Market Board Meeting

April 27, 2025 at 29141 Gimpl Hill Rd, Eugene, OR 97402

Notes taken by Andrea Turner, Secretary

Present: Glenn, Ariel, Gordon, Andrea

Treasurer's Report:

The current checking balance is **\$14,896.64**.

We discussed that most likely this will be the last season for the market. The main reasons why this would be the case is the lack of volunteers to help on the Board after Andrea resigns as Secretary and Treasurer in March of 2026 and the lack of big produce vendors due to the water rights issues.

Glenn said Christina has said that she may be selling her strawberries at the market this year.

Gordon said that Chris might sell his starts at the beginning of the market season.

Glenn said he would go to the Veneta market and talk to the Just Bread people. He had said that he wanted to go and talk to the Wild Child people again as a follow-up. We had suggested at the last meeting doing a community consignment table and maybe Wild Child would want to add produce. Glenn will also mention this to Just Bread.

Gordon is talking about the music copyright issue. Gordon called BMI, ASCAP and SESAC. They are all very expensive such that the total licensing fee would be \$3200 for the season. Gordon said he would reach out to the folks he knows who used to run the Saturday market to see what they did. Glenn said the Saturday market leaves it up to the individual musicians to have the proper licensing. We have decided that we will have live music that will be originals or songs in the public domain.

Andrea mentioned that E'lon is onboard with cooking and we will see if he can serve on opening day and she needs to chat with him about his ability to cook every week or every other week.

Glenn talked about the food vouchers for the musicians and how it will be either \$15 or \$20 depending on the costs of the meals. If meals are not served on that day, then the vouchers can be spent on the vendors.

Glenn asked Ariel if she can help vet a new vendor. This new vendor went to Ridgeline with Glenn's daughter Emma and he is quite familiar with the grange. He is hoping to sell canned goods, dried mushrooms, crafts made with feathers and bones, etc. His name is Oliver.

Glenn updated the market's website links to OHA, etc.

Glenn said that it would be great if Eleanor could send out an advance notice on social media about food, music (Dan and Ally), and all for Opening Day of May 17, 2025. Andrea will talk to Eleanor.

Glenn will send out a Mail Chimp newsletter.

Glenn said that the Market has purchased canopies so there should be some available for some vendors.

We discussed whether or not we would advertise in any papers or with fliers. We should be on the Eugene Weekly's calendar. Ariel said she would check in with the Eugene Weekly.

Andrea brought up the question of coffee and serving it at the market. Glenn said we have some serving equipment. He will reach out to Caroline of Felia Delicata to see if she might want to operate a coffee setup. We have enough money to get another temporary restaurant license to have a proper coffee/drink setup. Ariel said she could help out if Caroline was interested in doing it but she couldn't run a coffee setup on her own with all her other responsibilities.

We will have our next meeting at the Grange on Sunday, May 25, 2025 at 12 noon.