

Miller Garden Club Meeting
Minutes, November 21, 2009

President Jack Tonk called the meeting to order. There were no minutes from the previous meeting. The treasurer's report gave a balance of \$4677.65 in the bank account and \$5000 in asset accounts.

Project Reports:

Brats & Bulbs— We covered costs and made a profit. Nineteen lunches were donated to Gabriel Horn Shelter, Portage. Leftover bulbs are all in the ground in Miller.

Signs: We're still waiting for permission from NIPSCO. The County Line location is a City of Gary easement; Board of Works approval is required. The South Shore gave permission for train station location.

Old Business:

A set of 10 cards, the first 10 Garden Walk posters, is available for purchase for \$10.

New Business:

Election of officers and directors—Beth McKee submitted the slate of officers and directors. Mary Bohn moved to accept the proposed slate; Patricia Gonzales seconded. The motion carried. Joanne Stratton was nominated from the floor. Ruth Best moved to accept the nomination; Jennifer Gerber seconded. Motion carried.

Announcements:

Regional Development Authority gave money to improve Marquette Park. Jack and Gene Ayers attended the meeting at which parking, deer and geese, and power were discussed.

Rain Barrels—Laura Demchuck reported that, according to the rain barrel supplier, the barrels do not have to come down for winter. They should be drained with six inches of water below the valve left as weight to keep the barrel in place. The valve should be left open. The Garden Club will sell rain barrels again, starting at the seed exchange in January.

Ruth moved that the meeting be adjourned; Beth seconded. The motion carried.