

Stony Plain Horticultural Society  
Minutes General Meeting,  
Tuesday, April 5, 2022

The general monthly meeting of SPHS was held via zoom. There were thirteen people in attendance.

President, Jo Anne Maw, called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

We began with our ice Breaker. Jo Anne Maw gave a very enlightening presentation on Ticks. She showed us what they look like and how to prevent them from getting on your body and how to remove them if they do get on you.

Our speaker for the evening was Cynthia Strawson, Cynthia gave a presentation on what to look for in a greenhouse and the challenges of water, light, temperature and pest control. Cynthia's presentation was very informative and was followed by questions from those in attendance.

At 8:30 we began our business meeting.

The minutes of the March 1, 2022 general Meeting were read by secretary Liz McAleese.

Jo Anne mentioned that the club would be asking for permission from members, when they renew their memberships, to share personal contact information with club members and also to share videos of themselves and their gardens on our social media pages.

Jo Anne mentioned that there will be some training for the Board of directors on how to use Google Docs.

The choices for our new logo were presented to those present to vote for their personal choice. It was decided that option one would be the choice and it could have a white or green background. A huge thanks goes out to Femia's daughter, Heather Streefkerk for designing our new Logo.

A reminder that the High Q unplugged sale is Saturday April 23, at 10.am. More details will be emailed out as to directions and what to expect when you go to High Q Greenhouse.

Our May 3, General meeting will be an in person meeting to be held at the Stony Plain Legion, 4902 44 Ave. Our speaker for the evening will be Ken Willis and he will be speaking on "pest control".

There will be a Spring Market for local non-profit groups and artisans. The event is Saturday April 16, from 11:00am to 4pm at the Perc Bldg. 5411 51 Street, Stony Plain (south of the Multicultural Centre). This will be a promotion event for our club. Femia and Jo Anne have committed to be there as well as Elaine Dextra and Michelle Stanley. Femia and Penny have

made seed packages to be handed out at the event. Information about our meetings, speakers and our annual plant sale will also be available.

We are pleased to announce we have two local businesses that will give members a 10% discount. They are Bloom-in- Garden Centre Rg. Rd, 11 and Township Rd. 534 and also Apache Seeds, 10136 - 149 St. Edmonton.

Katheryn Frechette, Vice President, presented a prototype of a new free standing banner which would cost \$225.00.

Liz McAleese moved that we approve the prototype type presented of the free standing banner with the new logo and approve the spending of \$225.00 for the banner. The motion was seconded by Dana Paterson. The motion was carried by verbal consent by the membership.

Jo Anne gave us an update of the plant sale committee. Kathy Loughlin who is on the committee was not present at the meeting.

The plant sale will be held at the Parkland Agricultural Services 4603 47 Ave., Stony Plain  
Jo Anne mentioned that the contribution of plants that Pat Munch made in past years will be missed. We are hoping to have members plant a few plants for our plant sale. We need volunteers to help set up and help on the day of the sale.

Penny Fedoruk- Brette membership coordinator was away.

Dana Paterson: Social Media coordinator reported that we have 45 Instagram followers and 566 followers on FaceBook.

Promotions: Femia Streefkerk reported that she plans sending out a newsletter to the membership quarterly. Femia is putting together a plant sale flier which could be distributed amongst the membership and also at our promotion event at the Perc Bldg. April 16.  
It was suggested we include a map to the Parkland Ag. Services Bldg. as it is hard to find and access.

Jo Anne Maw and Dana Paterson met with the local chamber of commerce in Stony Plain. The chamber of commerce will give us a free membership for one year and will advertise our plant sale on their electronic advertising board.

Community Gardens: Jo Anne was going to meet with Holly Either our community Gardens coordinator to show her the gardens at the Pioneer Museum next week.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 pm.