

Healthy Franklin County - Community Garden Work Group  
December 13, 2017 - Minutes

Present: Josh Mosely, Nickie Fickel, Noel Purdy  
Absent: Kari Coleman, Barb Houpt, Chris Mayer, Jay Eury

The group approved the October 2017 minutes.

Network Ministries Community Garden Expansion: Josh reported that he prepped 6 beds using a tractor, which took 8 hours. He said it would be helpful if we could find another volunteer or sponsor to prep the surface/beds, preferably with a large tractor with bucket scoop. Noel suggested that Dave Perry (who teaches [Landscaping and Horticulture](#) at the Franklin County Career and Technology Center) could be a good resource, since he expressed interest in learning more about the community garden and possibly connecting FCCTC horticulture and landscaping students with the garden expansion. Mr. Perry is also connected with other businesses and resources, like Hornbakers Landscaping, that could help with the project. Noel gave Josh Mr. Perry's phone number and suggested that Josh give Mr. Perry a tour of the space. Noel also reported on her follow ups with Lowe's and the various resources that Network / HFC could tap into for the project.

While Kari was not able to attend, she reported via email that she and other stakeholders have been talking with a possible investor who is interested in purchasing Snoke's Greenhouse and working with the community on a micro-business, experiential learning program for area youth.

Noel will coordinate a meeting in January between she, Barb and Josh to work on the skills training workshops for the spring.

Summit is bringing on an intern in January who will lead the community garden needs survey for the FCHA in Waynesboro. Nickie suggested that we reach out to Denise Esser with Waynesboro Area Human Services to for advice and assistance.

**The next regular meeting is on Wednesday, February 14, 2018.**