ALPINE MASTER GARDENER ASSOCIATION

   MINUTES OF September 23, 2009 MEETING

**Call to Order:** byAnnette Yasin at6:47 pm

**Program:** Karen Schmitt and Patty Fabian from the NW Michigan Botanical Society gave a wonderful presentation on the work that has been done and future plans for the project.

**Welcoming Committee:** Sharon Whitmore – there were no visitors at our meeting.

**Secretary’s Report:**   Minutes of the August 26th meeting taken by Karen Blewett were reviewed.  They were approved as read.

**Treasurer’s Report:** Chris Cook presentedthe Balance Sheet & the Profit & Loss Statement.  The association’s current check book balance is $2,543.39.  Randy Goddard moved to approve the statements. Carol Brown supported.  Motion to approve was passed.  We have 57 members.

**Committee Reports:**

**Program Committee:** October – Tandem Cider Making

Christmas Party**–** First Congregational –Gaylord

                                       January 27th – Goal Planning

**Web and Volunteer/Education Hours:** Lori Hansen said that our web site had a bug.  However, it is up and running now.  She would like **new** pictures of work bees or gardens, etc.

**Publicity:**  Cynthia Hilling was not in attendance.

**Demo Garden:**  All of the gardens are getting ready to be put to bed or have been.

**Refreshments:**  Debra Webster thanked Paulette Goddard, Marian Wescoat, & Connie

            Czarkowski for our refreshments.

**Sunshine:**  Connie Czarkowski - no report

**Historian:**  Carol Brown – no report

**Field Trip Coor:** Roseann Kujawawill continue as coor.

**Coordinator:** Ed Doss will have Master Gardener Classes in March & April of 2010.  More to follow.  He will be leading a goal planning session at our January meeting.  Also he is investigating bringing a big name speaker to Gaylord next year. He has been in touch with Marilyn McIntosh, the president of the Edelweiss Gardener Club to perhaps make this a joint venture.  Also looking at the tour to Mackinaw Island next year & tour Grand Hotel gardens.

**Old Business:**

**Fall Workshop /** Marilyn Kaczanowski reported on final details of this event.

Bulb Sale / Marian Wescoat brought bulbs to sell and

**By-Law Committee** / still need to set a date to meet

 There will be an open house on September 28th at the Gardens.

**New Business:**

**Nominating Committee**.  Randy Goddard moved to elect the following members to be on this year’s nominating committee: Jean Brown, Carol Brown, and Richard Kettner.  It was supported by                     Motion carried.

 There being no further business, Richard Kettner moved to adjourn the meeting.  Carol Brown supported.  Meeting was adjourned.

 We had refreshments and our fall plant exchange.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen E Blewett

Karen E. Blewett, Secretary