

COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE AUGUST 3, 2021 @ 5:30 P.M. In person and Zoom

A. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor T. Neufeld called the Meeting to order at 5:42 P.M. with the following persons in attendance:

MEMBERS OF COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE:

MEMBERS OF ADMINISTRATION:

Councillor T. Neufeld A. Batke M. Fogal J. Willoughby T. Oswald H. Crew A. Tobin K. Sonnenburg K . Loney, Manager of Recreation Programs & Special Events

Absent: M. Tremaine- Snip, T. Oswald

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Councillor T. Neufeld reminded the Committee that any declaration is to be made prior to each item being discussed and to identify the nature of the conflict, if any, as the agenda items come forward.

C. STAFF REPORTS

- Introduction of Richard Wyma, Director of Community and Development Services
- Council has approved changes to some committees, and special events committees are to be reviewed later this year. No decisions have been made on Communities In Bloom.
 - Discussed the importance of looking at function and overlap of other committees, how a merger with Horticultural Society would need much discussion and limit ability for grants, if a staff liasion would be available.



- Kingsville Fire Fest Celebration will occur September 4th. Details can be found at <u>www.kingsville.ca/firefest</u>
- **023-2021** Moved by J. Willoughby, seconded by H. Crew to receive the report as presented.

CARRIED

D. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- 1. Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting Minutes June 1, 2021
- **024-2021** Moved by H. Crew, seconded by M. Fogal to receive the minutes of the Community in Bloom Committee Meeting dated June 1, 2021 with the correction of Astrid's name and College spelling mistake changed.

CARRIED

E. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 1. Re-election of the Chair
 - a. To talk to Co-Chair Melissa to identify her level of interest
 - b. Deferred to January 4, 2022
- 2. Working Committee for the Pumpkin Parade
 - a. Reviewed pumpkin parade; to occur November 1, 2021 in Cottam at Ridgeview Park trail
 - i. 2 5:00 P.M. people can drop off pumpkins
 - ii. 5:30 8:30 P.M. community walk on lighted trail
 - iii. 8:30 P.M. pumpkins delivered to farm
 - b. Messaging to include not to bring painted pumpkins
 - c. Supplies to be sourced; 20 yards of hay bails, battery operated lights, poster boards
 - d. Workgroup: Janet, Allan, Heather but everyone needed for event
- 3. Judging for 2022
 - a. Reviewed webinar of how to prepare for judges
 - b. Kingsville at the National level of competition
 - c. Need a booklet made, map, tours, transportation for event, all meals and entertainment.



- d. Important to review what gives points for the Town; last time Colasantis and Dairy Freeze did not give points.
- e. Need multiple administration involved to speak to parks, drainage, stormwater, programs
- f. Ideas for booklet included: Library salad bowls, ASK family activities, Community Gardens, Junior Gardeners, COVID gardens, Best of gardens designation, Nature Journal Club, Sailing Club, linkages to water, Green Heart garden – food boxes, Miracle food raising, Theme could be 'Stronger Together'
- g. Workgroup: Heather and Astrid to review what is needed for next year
- 4. Memorial Tree and Plaque
 - a. Allan to arrange the tree and plaque. Ideas included a fruit tree and plaque in honour of front line workers during COVID.
- 5. Nature Journal Club
 - a. First session August 3rd with six people in attendance.
- 6. Social Media Post
 - a. No CIB posts developed. Goal is to be several months ahead of schedule.
 - b. Janet and Marcy to work on post and send to Karen
- 7. Bee Friendly Community
- **025-2021** Moved by K. Sonnenburg and seconded by M. Fogal that Karin will repesent CIB and present to Council a request to be a Bee Friendly Community.

CARRIED

Karen to inform administration of request and provide template for report.

- 8. Best of Garden
 - a. Janet and Marcy to start judging July 4th
- 9. Canadian Gardening Council
 - a. Designating 2022, 'The year of the Garden' Appendex A
 - b. Need a Council resolution to be a part of initiative
 - c. Ideas
 - i. Joint project with CIB and Horticultural Society to do a special garden
 - ii. Challenge out to the community to plan some type of garden



- d. https://gardenscanada.ca/year-of-the-garden/
- **026-2021** Moved by H. Crew and seconded by M. Fogal to ask Council to consider a "Year of the Garden' designation for 2022.

CARRIED

- 10. Kingsville Times Articles
 - a. Online newspaper has asked for a guest author on items related to Communities In Bloom
 - b. Approached Joan Cope who is willing to support Astrid will help

F. NEXT MEETING DATE

1. The next meeting of the Communities in Bloom Committee shall take place on September 7, 2021 at the Arena @ 5:30 P.M.

G. ADJOURNMENT

027-2021 Moved by J. Willoughby, seconded by A. Tobin to adjourn this Meeting at 7:25 P.M.

CARRIED

CHAIR, T. Neufeld

RECORDING SECRETARY, K. Loney



Year of the Garden 2022 PROCLAMATION

- WHEREAS the Year of the Garden 2022 celebrates the Centennial of Canada's horticulture sector;
- **WHEREAS** gardens and gardening contribute to the quality of life of our municipality and create safe and healthy places where people can come together;
- **WHEREAS** the **Year of the Garden 2022** will highlight and celebrate the important contribution of gardeners, our local gardening organizations, horticultural professionals and local horticultural businesses which contribute to garden culture and the experience garden of our municipality;
- **WHEREAS** gardens and gardening have helped us face the challenges of the COVID pandemic;
- **WHEREAS** Communities in Bloom in collaboration with the Canadian Garden Council, invites all municipalities to celebrate the Year of the Garden;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

- THAT Town of Kingsville HEREBY PROCLAIMS 2022 as the Year of the Garden in celebration of the contribution of gardens and gardening to the development of our country, our municipality and the lives of our citizens in terms of health, quality of life and environmental challenges; and
- **THAT** the Saturday before Father's Day, June 18 in 2022, be recognize as Garden Day in Town of Kingsville as a legacy of Canada's Year of the Garden 2022; and
- **THAT** Town of Kingsville is committed to be a **Garden Friendly City** supporting the development of its garden culture and is proud to have: the Juniour Garden Program and Communities in Bloom Committee; and
- **THAT** all municipalities across Canada BE INVITED to proclaim 2022 to be the **Year of the Garden** in their respective municipalities, and that a copy of this resolution be provided to the FCM, and for that purpose.

DATED AT CITY HALL, (the xx day of (add month), 2021 or 2022

(insert Mayor's name), Mayor