



COMMITTEE MINUTES

COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE

JUNE 6, 2023 @ 6:00 P.M.

Kingsville Arena

PRESENT: Carol Dunn, Chair
Heather Crewe
Karin Sonnenberg
Jesse Towle
Janet Willoughby
Councillor Thomas Neufeld

Karen Loney Staff Liaison
Shelby Wye, Staff
Claire Buxton, Summer Student

ABSENT: Alan Batke, Vice Chair

A. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

The Chair reminded the Committee of their duty to disclose any pecuniary interests as they arise.

C. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Councillor Neufeld requested that the Yellow Fish program be added to F. New and Unfinished Business.

The Chair requested that Pollinator Garden at the Community Centre be added to F. New and Unfinished Business.

D. STAFF REPORTS

K. Loney provided a verbal report on staff changes, new format for meeting minutes, May 5, 2023, CIB dance, plans for 2023 Canada Day celebrations, plans for 2023 Open Streets, and plans for Movies at The Park on June 23, 2023.

E. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

1. Item 3f. 2022 CIB Judge's Tour Informal Feedback, should read ***National*** Judge Martin Quinn.

**Moved by Councillor Thomas Neufeld
Seconded by Karin Sonnenberg**

THAT the minutes of the CIB meeting held on May 2, 2023 be accepted as amended.

CARRIED

F. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. Debrief of May 27, 2023 ***Get In Touch With Nature Event***.

The Committee discussed successes of the event and opportunities for change at future events.

**Moved by Councillor Thomas Neufeld
Seconded by Karin Sonnenberg**

THAT the Grovedale Arts and Culture Centre be reserved for Sunday, May 5, 2024 to hold another *Get In Touch With Nature* event.

CARRIED

2. ERCA Greenway Project Clean Up

The Committee set dates, times, and rendezvous points for July, August and October to clean up the Committee's assigned section of the Greenway, as well as a one-time clean-up of Cottam.

3. Canada Day

The Committee will have a presence at the Canada Day celebrations at the Arena and will give away native plants.

4. Pollinator Week

To mark National Pollinator Week, June 19 – 25, 2023, the Committee will dedicate the mural which was commissioned by the Committee and which has now been installed at

Lakeside Park. Dedication of the mural will take place on June 19, 2023 at 2:00 P.M. by the Splash Pad at Lakeside Park. The Committee also recommended that Special Events staff show a nature themed film at the Movies in the Park on June 23, 2023.

5. Meditation Garden

Ms. Towle presented an update on the proposed Mindfulness Walks project.

Moved by Janet Willoughby

Seconded by Councillor Thomas Neufeld

THAT the Committee approve a budget of \$1500 to commission a design and to purchase signs for the Mindfulness Walks.

CARRIED

6. Healing Garden

Ms. Crewe reported that there has been no further progress on the proposed Healing Garden project pending further discussions with senior Staff regarding risk management strategies.

7. Yellow Fish Project

Councillor Neufeld presented a verbal update on the 2023 Yellow Fish project whereby catch basins are painted with a stencil of a fish in yellow to remind the public that everything entering the storm water system goes directly into the lake and therefore must not contain harmful chemicals.

8. Community Church Pollinator Garden

The Chair reported that Kingsville Community Centre will open a new pollinator garden on June 13, 2023.

G. NEXT MEETING DATE

1. The next meeting of the Communities in Bloom Committee will take place on September 5, 2023 at Kingsville Arena, Room C at 6:00 P.M.



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H. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Janet Willoughby
Seconded by Jesse Towle

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 P.M.

CARRIED

CHAIR, Carol Dunn

RECORDING SECRETARY,
Heather Crewe