



## **South Huron Communities in Bloom (CIB) Minutes of Wednesday March 2, 2016 Meeting**

Attendees: Craig Hebert, Linda Tgahrt, Dorothy Henderson, Dave Atthill, Bev Prout

### **1. Call to Order:**

- Dorothy H. called the meeting to order at 6:32 pm in the Town Hall Verity meeting room located at 322 Main Street in Exeter.

### **2. Approval of Minutes:**

- The minutes of the February 3, 2016 amended and adopted by Linda T. and Craig H.

### **3. Unfinished Business:**

#### 2016 Categories and Priorities:

##### Tidiness

- Dorothy H handed out litter lifter stickers
- Dorothy H. Provided an update on entrance ways to communities in South Huron. K-W Horticulture Society mentioned it was difficult for members to look after the flower barrels. Watering of entrance sign flowers maybe too much to ask volunteers to look after. The use of self- watering container was discussed. The challenge was to identify someone in each area to take lead on the watering and maintenance of entrance sign landscaping.
- John Pond Huron Park Lions member will be invited to update committee on the progress of Huron Village Green park improvement plan on May 4.

##### Environmental Action

- Dorothy H. has not heard back from Don Giberson about environmental action relating to energy conservation in budget for 2016. Information can be found on Municipal web site.

### Urban Forestry

- Linda T. reported that tree poster was completed by Dianne W. Copies of poster to be made at South Huron Recreation Centre then distributed to media, Municipal web site, committee members and various other contacts. Tree sales are first come first serve. Entrance to sale area will be controlled.

### Floral Displays and Landscape

- Wheel barrel discussion deferred
- Butterfly garden at Town hall deferred
- Alpie the sculpture in front of library has been refurbished at a cost of \$900.00. Cost to be covered by Municipality.

### Partnership Projects

- Thames Road, no report at this time
- My FM Home Show April 1 and 2. We are sharing table with Thames Road Committee. Cathy to send out schedule of booth times for CIB committee members to cover at the Show.
- Next year should consider running event closer to or at the Home show to take advantage of the suppliers / vendors already set up. Vendors will not likely want to leave display set up or set up again for CIB event in same week. Also would be a good partnership with My FM Home Show.
- Hand out seeds at the Home Show.
- Dave A. reported the donation to Conservation Dinner completed

### Creating a Great Outdoor Space

- Dorothy read the bio's she had put together of quest speakers Paul Ronan and Griffin Mangroves
- Printing of tickets at \$10 per ticket and promotion flyers to be completed by Municipal staff. Questions raised on why we are charging for 'Creating a great Outdoor space.' Charging was needed to cover costs quest speakers which cost \$1500.
- M-Worx is a potential vendor. Cathy may be required to use her contacts and power of persuasion to find more vendors.

Landscaping Care and Floral Enhancement Workshop for  
Municipalities/Businesses

- Dave A .reported that draft promotion flyer was ready and shared copy with group. Registration form and Promotion flyer for work shop will be sent out next week to area Municipalities and other contacts
- Lunch by Jennard's Cheese.
- Linda T. will help with refreshments and snacks
- Dianne W. Is hosting Paul Ronan and Griffin Mangroves for Tuesday night stay over.

**4. Deferred Business:**

- Communities in Bloom will host a BBQ lunch in the Exeter downtown Parkette to celebrate Earth Day on April 22<sup>nd</sup>; 2016. Will organize during April Meeting. Wheel barrel discussion deferred.

**5. Adjournment**

- The meeting was adjourned by Linda T. and Graig H. at 7:30 pm. The next meeting will take place at the South Huron Recreation Centre on Wednesday April 6 at 3:30 pm.

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Co-Chair, Dorothy Henderson

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Recording Secretary, Dave Atthill