



Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron
South Huron Communities in Bloom Committee
Minutes

Wednesday, October 4, 2017 – 5:00 p.m.
Meeting Room, South Huron Recreation Centre

Members Present:

Cathy Seip, Chair
Dorothy Henderson, Vice Chair
Bev Prout
Craig Hebert

Staff:

Dave Atthill

1. Meeting Called to Order

Cathy Seip, Chair called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm in the Meeting Room at the South Huron Recreation Centre.

2. Agenda Update

2.1 Memorial Garden at Huron Village
2.2 Pumpkin Contest

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof

None

4. Approval of Minutes

4.1 Minutes of the South Huron Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting of September 6, 2017.

Motion: 15-2017
Moved: C. Hebert
Seconded: D. Henderson

That the minutes of the September 6, 2017 meeting are hereby approved as presented.

Disposition: Carried

5. Discussion

5.1 Barn Quilt Trail

The soft launch for the Barn Quilt Trail was held during the International Plowing Match. We distributed 300 pamphlets throughout the week.

It has been decided that the Parkette will be the location for the Barn Quilt Trail launch next year. We have to come up with a name for the event. A quilt has been designed by Pauline Mc Fadden.

5.2 Memorial Gardens

We will work together with the Legion on the Memorial Garden at Huron Village. We need to come up with a landscape plan. Where can we find plants for free from?

There is a contest for a Memorial Garden of Remembrance. We are thinking of getting poppies from the Legion to dress up the Canada 150 Flag Garden for a submission.

5.3 Pumpkin Contest

Amy Shapton is interested in helping with this, depending on how many hours it involves. We want to use this contest as an education tool to inform people how they can use pumpkins for food.

Craig has a seed connection to get us started. We will measure the pumpkins instead of weighing them to determine the winner. Does anyone know of a large area to grow the pumpkins? Perhaps we can do it at the Thames Road Park.

5.4 Budget 2017

\$1,000 for Canada Day Advertising and Promotions was the amount that Cathy went to Council for approval.

There were some donations towards the Barn Quilt Project, totaling \$395.00.

We need to add \$300 to the Barn Quilt Brochure budget, and \$100 for the Launch of the Barn Quilt Trail.

5.5 Home and Leisure Show

Partner with Maclean's with same arrangement as last year.
Ask exhibitors who are attending the show to speak at our booth.
Work with Robin with My FM to find speakers.
See if Maclean's has any speaker contacts

6. Communications

6.1 Earth Day Activities

Earth Day is April 22, 2018. We are going to extend our activities out of Exeter, to all of South Huron.

6.2 Walking Trail with Small Barn Quilts

Cathy has suggested that a walking trail be created for the small barn quilts around Exeter.

6.3 Send to Council

In December, we need to send in a Report and Recommendations with priorities to Council.

New Business

A. Update Communities in Bloom Section on Municipality's Website

We need to make some changes to the Communities in Bloom section on the Municipality of South Huron's website. The pictures and information need to be changed and updated. We want to highlight what we have accomplished on the Evaluation Summary.

We should put in a Power Point Presentation before the introduction. We can showcase our strengths, and we can show this to the judges when they visit.

7. Adjournment

Motion: 16-2017
Moved: D. Henderson
Seconded: B. Prout

That the South Huron Communities in Bloom Committee hereby adjourns at 6:08 p.m., to meet again on November 1, 2017 at 6:30 p.m. in the Verity Room, Olde Town Hall or at the Call of the Chair.

Disposition: Carried

Cathy Seip, Chair

David Atthill, Recording Secretary