



## Corporation of the Municipality of South Huron

### South Huron Communities in Bloom Committee

#### Minutes

Wednesday March 6, 2019 - 6:30 p.m.  
Verity Room, Town Hall

#### Members Present:

Cathy Seip (Chair)  
Dorothy Henderson (Vice Chair)  
Beth Cooper  
Councillor Aaron Neeb  
George Wilson  
Debbie Mountenay  
Mayor George Finch, Ex officio

#### Staff Present:

Scott Currie

1. Meeting Called to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:29 PM  
The Chair, Cathy Seip, announced she is stepping down.

2. Agenda

Move item up 6.1 to become 5.2  
Add Work Plan discussion as item 7.3

**Motion:** 01-2019

**Mover:** Seip

**Seconder:** Neeb

**Disposition:** Carried

**That the agenda be approved as amended.**

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 November 14, 2018.

**Motion deferred**

**That South Huron Communities in Bloom Committee adopts the minutes of November 14, 2018 as presented.**

5. Discussion

5.1 Election of new Chair and Vice Chair

**Motion:** 02-2019

**Mover:** Dorothy

**Seconder:** George

**Disposition:** Carried

**That Debbie Mountenay be appointed as Chair of the Communities in Bloom Committee.**

5.2 Heather MacKechnie, Exeter United Church re: Community Garden Project

The Exeter United Church has received \$4,000 in funding through the United Church of Canada's *Embracing the Spirit Fund*.

The Exeter United Church would like to partner with the municipality and Communities in Bloom to share resources and establish a good location.

Currently, the Exeter United Church has around 15 participants interested in taking part and will extend the invitation to anyone else who would like to participate.

There is a plan to have a community gathering component, meeting every few weeks to connect with each other, and a canning workshop in the fall using some of the harvest. Using a collective plot model the group plants and tends the whole pot as a collective.

What about Scout's Hall?

What about the Walker House?

Could we incorporate a Three Sisters Garden?

5.3 Registration for 2019 CiB participation?

**Motion:** 03-2019

**Mover:** Cathy

**Seconder:** Beth

**Disposition:** Carried

**Whereas the community of South Huron was awarded Bronze in the 2018 national competition Rural Gardens category.**

**That the Communities in Bloom Committee enters the Circle of Excellence non-evaluated category in 2019.**

Staff to complete and submit the registration form.

5.3 Tree sale order for 2019

**Motion:** 04-2019

**Mover:** Cathy

**Secunder:** George

**Disposition:** Carried

**That the Committee's tree sale take place on April 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019.**

Debbie to work with staff to promote the event.

5.4 Set meeting time and date for 2019

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at 6:30 - 8:00 in the Verity Room at Town Hall.  
Meetings will occur every month except August.

Staff to locate and circulate committee's Terms of Reference

Staff to locate and circulate the 2018 Evaluation Form received from CiB judges.

5.5 Complete 2018 Evaluation form review

Debbie, Dorothy and Beth will review the evaluation form and develop a draft work plan for input.

6. Communications  
None.

7. New Business

7.1 Recruitment of new committee members

Debbie to work with staff about a communication strategy to market the work of the committee.

7.2 No Home Show in 2019

### 7.3 Work Plan

The Chair will engage committee members in developing a draft. Items to be included in the 2019 work plan:

- Kirkton Fall Fair Beautification
- 100 potted spider plants
- Giant Pumpkin Contest

Staff will bring back a report for the next meeting outlining the option to have an MOU with the Municipality.

Staff to report on the status of the Municipality's tree policy.

## 8. Adjournment

**Motion:** 05-2019

**Mover:** Beth

**Seconder:** George

**Disposition:** Carried

**That South Huron Communities in Bloom Committee hereby adjourns at 7:46 PM, to meet again at April 3<sup>rd</sup> 6:30 PM or at the call of Chair.**