

Minutes of a Meeting of the Communities in Bloom Committee held via Electronic Communications in Fort McMurray, Alberta, on Thursday, June 24, 2021, commencing at 6:00 PM.

Present:

Helen Meyer, Chair
Destiny Jefferies, Public-at-Large
Johnny Dulku, Public-at-Large
Victoria Ganace, Public-at-Large
Nicole McMillan, Public-at-Large
Sheila Lalonde, Councillor

Absent:

Qasim Malik, Vice Chair
Ayesha Malik, Public-at-Large

Administration:

Seville Kwan, Department Administrator
Darlene Soucy, Legislative Officer, Legislative Services
Destiny Hilliard, Clerk, Legislative Services

1. Call to Order

Helen Meyer, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. Adoption of Agenda

MOTION

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nicole McMillan
SECONDER:	Victoria Ganace
FOR:	Jefferies, Meyer, Dulku, Ganace, McMillan
ABSENT:	A. Malik, Q. Malik

3. Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1. Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting - May 27, 2021

THAT the minutes of the Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting held on May 27, 2021 be accepted as presented.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Destiny Jefferies
SECONDER:	Johnny Dulku
FOR:	Jefferies, Meyer, Dulku, Ganace, McMillan
ABSENT:	A. Malik, Q. Malik

4. New and Unfinished Business

4.1. Nominate your Neighbour

Seville Kwan, Department Administrator, provided an update on the Nominate your Neighbour summer program that was rolled out on June 23, 2021, noting that 150 nominee packages have been ordered and following arrival, Committee Members will begin distribution. The nomination period closes on August 31, 2021.

4.2. 2021 Communities in Bloom Programs

Seville Kwan, Department Administrator, provided an update on the Borealis Park Communities in Bloom Garden, noting that Committee Members will begin planting on Saturday, June 26th at 9:00 a.m.

With the province beginning to ease COVID-19 restrictions, the Committee discussed Communities in Bloom programs for 2021, noting they will begin planning for fall and winter programming. For example, the Nominate your Neighbour winter program and opportunities to collaborate with various organizations.

4.3. 2023 Communities in Bloom Symposium

Seville Kwan, Department Administrator, provided an overview of the annual National Communities in Bloom Symposium, noting that the RMWB was chosen to host the Symposium in 2020; however due to COVID-19 restrictions the event was rescheduled to 2023. It was further explained that the Committee had previously decided on "Northern Blooms" as the conference tagline. A discussion occurred with respect to whether the Committee wanted to continue with the "Northern Blooms" tagline.

With consensus of the committee it was agreed to keep Northern Blooms as the conference tagline and incorporate the new Communities in Bloom logo.

4.4. Summer Meeting Schedule

The Committee Members reviewed their meeting schedule and agreed to cancel their July Meeting.

MOTION

THAT the regular Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting scheduled for the month of July be cancelled.

RESULT:	CARRIED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Nicole McMillan
SECONDER:	Johnny Dulku
FOR:	Jefferies, Meyer, Dulku, Ganace, McMillan
ABSENT:	A. Malik, Q. Malik

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

Chair