



City of Barrie

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Minutes - Final Communities in Bloom Committee

Thursday, June 13, 2019

4:00 PM

Georgian Room

For consideration by the Finance and Corporate Services Committee on September 10, 2019.

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, K. Bagnell at 4:11 p.m. The following were in attendance for the meeting:

Present: 4 - K. Bagnell
D. Brooke-Bagnell
D. Ramsay
J. Brady

Absent: 2 - Councillor M. McCann
A. VanderWerf

STAFF:

Acting Deputy City Clerk, T. McArthur
Parks Horticulture Foreperson, M. Boyd.

The Communities in Bloom Committee met and reports as follows:

CELEBRATE BARRIE

The Committee discussed the Celebrate Barrie event held on June 1st, commenting on the great turn out from the community, the Begonia plants were a success and that they had a number of inquiries associated to registering for the 2019 Communities in Bloom Program.

2019 COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM PROGRAM

M. Boyd, Parks Horticulture Foreperson provided an update on the preparations for the 2019 Communities in Bloom Program that included the finalizing of the itinerary for the judges route, the driver arrangements, and the hotel and meal bookings.

COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM PROJECTS AND IDEAS

The Committee suggested the following projects and ideas for the 2018 - 2022 Communities in Bloom Committee:

- Continuation of the asphalt pathway on the North Shore Trail;
- The possibility of a new official flower for the City;
- Encouragement of green roofs on apartments and condominiums;
- Vertical gardens and food security;
- Education and gardening programs through the City's Recreation Centres;
- Multi-season mountain bike and hiking trails; and
- Horticultural therapy (educational pathways, emotional and/or spiritual therapy, emotional awareness etc.).

The Committee agreed to discuss the project suggestions at a future meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 5:36 p.m.

CHAIRMAN