

Hanna In Bloom Council Committee
Regular Meeting
Town of Hanna Meeting Room
Monday October 1, 2018 @ 7:30 p.m.

Members Present: Jason Smith, Donna Buchfink, Pam Berry, Gwen Snell, Lou Lallier, Patty Blocksom

Regrets: Jackie Hensel, Will Warwick, Karen Frobb, Sandra Beaudoin, Donna Hodgkinson

Meeting was called to order at 7:31 p.m. by Chairperson Jason Smith.

MOTION: L. Lallier – D. Buchfink

That the minutes of June 28, 2018 be approved as presented.

Carried.

MOTION: P. Berry – L. Lallier

That the Agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING:

FUNDRAISING BBQ

- Freson Bros. BBQ on July 7th resulted in \$347.32

TASTE OF CULTURE EVENING July 23, 2018

- Well attended event, with all 300 complimentary tickets being picked up.
- Suggest doing complimentary tickets again but have a donation or free will offering at the event as many indicated they wished to donate.
- Suggested a small silent auction should be considered.
- Ran out of food early. Many came indicating they had not eaten and did not think of it as a taste rather than meal.
- Suggest start at 7:30 p.m. rather than 7 p.m.
- Review in January to determine if we wish to do again in 2019.

NATIONAL JUDGES TOUR:

- Positive tour and well planned.
- Suggestion that we request the evaluation not occur on Sunday.
- Fox Lake Park BBQ lunch was great!
- Judges Lorna McIlroy and Gaetan Deschenes participated in our community events providing great suggestions and showed interest in our community.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Current balance is \$547.16

NATIONAL COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM AWARDS

- Exciting news for Hanna to be the National Winner with Five Blooms Bronze.
- Jason Smith, Karen Frobb, Lou Lallier and Pam Berry represented Hanna and accepted the award.

- Great opportunity to attend, with lots of networking and positive interaction with other communities.
- Thank you for the opportunity to attend was expressed by Jason, Lou, Pam and Karen.

NEXT STEPS:

- Discussion regarding participation in the Communities in Bloom program and at what level. Director Snell provided an outline of options that were provided from Communities in Bloom, but was advised that we would be receiving an invitation to participate.
- General consensus was that we do not want to stop the program and lose momentum towards achieving Five Bloom Silver, being so close now.
- Suggestion was to enter the Class of Champions.

2018 EVALUATION REPORT:

- Overall very good report.
- Honour to be National Winner and very close to achieving 5 Bloom Silver award.
- Everyone was asked to review the evaluation and assess what is “doable, practical and achievable” and report back to Jason Smith by November 2.
- Categories to be reviewed as follows:
 - Landscape – Patty
 - Tidiness – Donna B
 - Heritage – Karen
 - Environmental – Jason
 - Urban Forestry – Pam
 - Floral Design – Lou
- Any members without a category are asked to review the document and also provide their feedback to Jason Smith by November 2.

TOWN OF HANNA COUNCIL MEETING

- All Hanna in Bloom members are asked to attend the Public Presentation session at the next Town of Hanna Council meeting on Tuesday October 9th at 6 p.m.
- President Jason Smith will present the award to Mayor Chris Warwick.
- Jason Smith will provide a brief overview and presentation for Council.

Next Meetings: Wednesday November 14, 2018 @ 6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday January 9, 2019 @ 6:30 p.m.
 Wednesday March 13, 2019 @6:30 p.m.

MOTION: D. Buchfink – P. Berry
 That the meeting adjourn at 8: 30 p.m.

Carried.

President

Secretary