

**VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS
MINUTES OF THE
COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE MEETING**

DATE: June 10, 2009
TIME: 7:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

IN ATTENDANCE: Chair D. Harris
Vice-Chair B. Perry
G. Guimont
C. Harris
C. Hepnar
M. Dams
M. Lees

Recording Secretary, M. Mucha

ABSENT: L. Hooper

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. **MINUTES**

Moved by C. Hepner
Seconded by C. Harris

THAT the minutes of the Communities in Bloom Committee meeting of May 13, 2009 be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. **DELEGATIONS**

None

4. **CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT**

None

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5. COMMITTEE MEMBERS REPORT

- a. **Garden of the Week Report** The press release regarding "Garden of the Week" has been published. Two winners were submitted. Several owners have declined recognition. Next winner will feature a business.

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- a. **Judging Day 2009** The Chair reported on accommodations for the judges. The judges will be spending two nights in Kent; one night will be covered by the District of Kent, the other night will be covered by the Village of Harrison, CIB Committee.

A member pointed out that the 'getting ready for the Judges' package stated not to give gifts. The discussion concluded that the welcome package will be kept simple; it will include the pre-purchased 'The People of the Harrison' book, and a Village of Harrison bag.

Photo Album for the Judges:

Photos and write ups are being collected on the following: T. Baxter planting trees, Spirit Square, the Ranger Station, the Community Garden, Hiking Trails, 'Walk and Talk' group, and A. Darjes doing his rounds.

The Vice Chair has suggested collecting pictures from the press regarding past ribbon cutting ceremonies.

It was suggested that Fred Gornall be contacted as he usually takes pictures at many community events.

Welcome Dinner:

The Chair reported on the 'Welcome Dinner' for the judges. The judges Ria Smith and Don Alberg will be arriving at 4:00pm in the afternoon. Dinner has traditionally been held at the Harrison Hot Springs Hotel. This year the 'Welcome Dinner' will be at Raven's Restaurant, reservations for 12 people will be needed.

Itinerary Review:

The judges will be met at 8:00am at the Plaza by the CIB Committee, where the tour will start. A coffee/bathroom break will be included this year.

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Potential Guest Speakers:

- T. Baxter (Village Gardner)
- Rob Powers (Spirit Squares Architect)
- Yacht club speaker
- Tour of gallery with local artists
- Representative from the 'Community Garden'

Itinerary will be decided upon at the next meeting early in July.

8-10am - View beach front from Plaza with guest speakers

10:00am - Kims for coffee/bathroom break

After coffee - Hike to Ranger station, meet with artisans and check out
Rendall Park.

Noon - Lunch at Muddy Waters, this will have to be reserved

After Lunch - Driving tour to community garden, highlights of the
community

3:00pm - Meet public and staff for tea, coffee and cupcakes at the Village
office.

3:30-4:00pm End of the day

Important Considerations:

- No disposable cups and utensils.
- Heat and lengthy walks may affect some individuals.
- Arrange for a list of representatives and speakers; C. Harris will contact
these individuals. C. Henderson has a list from last year.

**b. 2009 CIB
Conference**

The CIB conference will be held September 18th and 19th & 20th.

The Chair reported that a registration table needs to be set up at the hotel to
greet everyone coming through the door. Registration should be set up by
3:00pm at the latest. Official greeters could be associate members.
Registration will take place between 3:00pm and 6:00pm.

Reception:

Guest speakers will need to be arranged for the reception on Friday night.

Ideas on guest speakers include:

- Steven Point - B. Perry will contact
- The Mayor
- Barry Penner, has been asked and is not able to give us an answer as of
yet. A back up will not be included if Barry Penner is un-able to attend.

The Committee has agreed that the speakers should be piped in - B. Perry
will make arrangements.

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The Chair also stated we will need to order gift bags; however, a budget needs to be considered. There will be approx 60 guests, (at \$10 a bag) out of the \$10,000 dedicated to CIB. \$1200-1500 has been allocated for the 'Welcome Package'. Please check out the website for the bags: www.logopromobymarks.ca

The reception will start at 6:00pm and includes a wine bar, and appetizers. Followed by formalities; such as, guest speakers for an hour and networking.

The Chair reported a block of rooms has been booked at the resort and a list of additional accommodations will be available on the Chamber website. The conference is over Saturday night and participants will be responsible for any additional costs.

The Committee agreed to have a DJ play background music on the Friday night.

Saturday Events:

The Chair reported that Saturday morning will include 2 boat tours that will be finished by noon. The group will be divided in two; the first group will set sail at 8:00am sharp, the second 10:00am sharp. We will provide a coffee urn on the boat tour along with whole fruit and Nature's Choice granola bars.

The Chair reported that an information session will be held for the guests not on the boat tour. The Chair will secure two 45 minute sessions with Two different nature themed guest speakers.

Ideas for guest speakers based on availability include:

- Argyle Garden Center to provide a seminar on landscaping in nature
- Stream Keepers - B. Perry will contact
- Gwen Vaughn Park

It was suggested that speakers afraid of public speaking can have a guided discussion lead by a committee member.

The committee discussed different ideas with regards to different speakers and subjects, 8-10 tables with 7-8 guests sitting at each table.

Main ideas for the afternoon round table seminars:

Honeyview farms (B. Perry)

Herb garden hands on seminar (M. Lees and M. Dams)

Endangered and thriving speakers (M. Lees and M. Dams)

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Cheese farm (M. Lees and M. Dams)
Agassiz Gardner (D. Harris))
T. Baxter, horticulturist (D. Harris)
Media and how to market CIB (M. Lees)
Hikers – R. Altendorf
Arborist – T. Harris
CIB Judging Criteria

The Chair explained that dinner will include the CIB awards and there will be no need for a keynote speaker.

The Chair reported that the Village of Harrison will give a piece of art from a local artist as a silent auction gift.

The Committee agreed that the adopt-a highway cleanup will take place on Thursday July 16th.

7.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by C. Harris

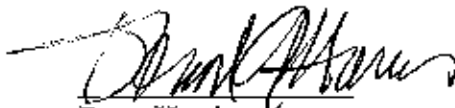
Seconded by M. Lees

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:58pm

Certified a true and correct copy of the
minutes of the Communities in Bloom
Committee Meeting held June 10, 2009 in
Council Chambers, Village of
Harrison Hot Springs, B.C.


Dave Harris
Chair


Larry Burk
Chief Administrative Officer

