



NOTICE OF MEETING AND AGENDA COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM COMMITTEE

Tuesday, June 9, 2026, 9:00 AM
Village Office, 495 Hot Springs Road
Harrison Hot Springs, BC V0M 1K0

THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN-PERSON

1. CALL TO ORDER
Meeting called to order by the Chair.
2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT
Acknowledgement of Sts'ailes traditional territory.
3. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS
4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> (a) THAT the Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting Minutes of May 21, 2026 be adopted. Page 1 </div>
6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Community Planting Day – Lagoon Garden Bed Debrief (b) Garden of the Week Update (c) Canada Day Float (d) Garden Tour (e) Judges Visit: July 8-10 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boat Tour (f) Next Meeting Date: June 25, 2026, 9:00 a.m. </div> <div style="text-align: right; margin-top: 20px;">Page 5</div>
7. ADJOURNMENT

Amanda Graham
Corporate Officer



VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS
Communities in Bloom Committee
Minutes

DATE: Thursday, May 21, 2026
TIME: 9:00 a.m.
PLACE: Muddy Waters
328 Esplanade Avenue, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor Allan Jackson, Chair
Susan Caley
Susan Galvao
Janice Moffat

MEMBERS ABSENT: Margaret Shier
STAFF PRESENT: Corporate Officer, Amanda Graham

1. CALL TO ORDER

Councillor Jackson called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Councillor Jackson acknowledged the traditional territory of Sts'ailes.

3. INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS

Susan Caley requested to add "Adopt a Road" program as Item for Discussion 6(g).

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by Janice Moffat
Seconded by Susan Galvao

THAT the agenda be approved as amended with the addition of the late item.

CARRIED
CIB-2026-05-01

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Janice Moffat
Seconded by Susan Galvao

THAT the Communities in Bloom Committee Meeting Minutes of April 21, 2026 be adopted.

CARRIED
CIB-2026-05-02

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) Earth Day in May Debrief

The Committee raised \$131.50 through the plant sale. General Committee feedback noted that having the plant sale was a real highlight of the event and it allowed people to stop and learn more about CIB at the same time. The Committee discussed doing their own workshop next year to have people build a basket or something similar, and that advertising the plant sale more would be helpful. It was also noted that having more materials for the table about what the Committee does and has planned would be helpful.

(b) Community Planting Day – Lagoon Garden Bed

The Committee set the date for Thursday, June 4. Staff will confirm that this date works for the Public Works staff and will begin advertising for community volunteers to come help plant.

(c) Garden of the Week

The Committee determined that it would continue to try and identify new gardens for 2026 to win each week, but would reach out to 2025 winners to determine any interest in participating in the Garden Tour. The idea of having themed weeks was supported, such as a business, strata, campground, drought resistant, etc. Staff will develop a proposed schedule and themes for Committee members to sign up for. It was also noted that when advertising starts for Garden of the Week, the promotional materials could highlight last year's winners.

(d) Canada Day Float

Councillor Jackson advised that there has been some back and forth at Tourism Harrison and with the Canada Day Committee regarding the parade start time. An answer on the start time is expected in the coming days.

The Committee discussed reaching out to determine whether any community members would be willing to drive a truck and utility trailer for the parade and a call for donations of artificial flowers. Alternatively, the Village can provide one of the Public Works pickup trucks. The Committee also noted the need for a larger speaker.

(e) Garden Tour

It was determined that the Garden Tour date would be changed to July 25 so as not to coincide with the Festival of the Arts.

(f) Judges Visit: July 8-10

The judges have been identified as Mr. Tom Meyer and Mr. Kerry Bysouth. There is a to-do list of items that need to be addressed prior to their arrival which will be circulated by email. General discussion ensued on the Welcome Event and the consensus was that

having it take place outdoors was very successful. Staff will look into hosting it at Woods Park or maybe the Community Garden area. Councillor Jackson advised that he would reach out regarding accommodations.

(g) Adopt a Road

Susan Caley advised that the Harrison Paddling Club board is interested in participating in Adopt a Road. Councillor Jackson noted that this was a very successful program in the past especially regarding cleaning up McCombs Drive which was a common place for dumping at the time. This program has not been active in the Village for several years and would take some work to get up and running again, including details surrounding which roads would be part of the program, how frequently the roads would need to be cleaned, who would provide the signage, pickers, waste disposal, etc. Susan will report this back to the Harrison Paddling Club board and advise that the Village is looking into restarting this program in the future.

(h) Next Meeting Date: Tuesday, June 9, 2026, 9:00 a.m. and Thursday, June 25, 9:00 a.m.

7. **ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by Susan Galvao
Seconded by Janice Moffat

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 10:09 a.m.

CARRIED
CIB-2026-04-03

Councillor Allan Jackson, Chair
Communities in Bloom Committee

Amanda Graham
Corporate Officer



**2026 HARRISON HOT SPRINGS
COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM
GARDEN OF THE WEEK SCHEDULE**

WEEK	WEEK START DATE	SUBMISSION DUE DATE	JUDGE	THEME
1	14-Jun	18-Jun		Small-Space / Compact Garden
2	21-Jun	25-Jun		Strata / Multi-Family
3	28-Jun	2-Jul		Creative / Artistic
4	5-Jul	9-Jul		Native Species
5	12-Jul	16-Jul		Campground
6	19-Jul	23-Jul		Pollinator-Friendly
7	26-Jul	30-Jul		Business
8	2-Aug	6-Aug		Summer Colour
9	9-Aug	13-Aug		Edible
10	16-Aug	20-Aug		FireSmart
11	23-Aug	27-Aug		Drought-Tolerant / Water-Wise
12	30-Aug	3-Sep		Judge's Choice