



Meeting Minutes
Community Participation & Volunteerism Committee
Wednesday, June 12th, 2019
7 p.m.

Committee Members Present:

Bonnie Mahaney, Chair / Public Member
Julie Ferguson, Secretary / Town Staff Member
Mary Ayer / Public Member
Joy Williams / Public Member
Robin Walker / Public Member
Holly Renaud / Public Member
Cheryl Bower / Public Member
Deby Varner Macalpine / Public Member
Harold Locke / Council Member
Mayor Karen Mattatall / Council Member

Regrets:

None

1. Call to Order

Chair Bonnie Mahaney called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Approval of Agenda

Walker - Renaud

THAT the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of the Community Participation & Volunteerism Committee for Wednesday, June 12th, 2019 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. Approval of Minutes

Locke - Cheryl

THAT the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Community Participation & Volunteerism Committee held on Thursday, May 9th, 2019 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

4. Delegations

None

5. Correspondence

None

6. CP & V Items

a) Committee Membership

Committee members commented that Tara Lyle was going back to school after the summer and may not be able to join the group. Robin Walker reported that Alex Buchannan might be interested in CP & V. Julie had emailed Alex the Agenda for this meeting and invited him to come and sit in on a future meeting. Julie will invite any people who show interest once again in September.

b) Founders' Days – volunteering and update

Robin and Bonnie updated the CP & V Committee on the organization of Founders' Days 2019. Sponsorship is down this year. The goal for corporate sponsorship was \$20,000 and out of 97 requests, only 17 became sponsors for a total of \$6,000. Advertisements have been posted to share the need for sponsors. The Little Miss contest is going forward again this year. Paul will organize the Washer Tournament, Deby will take score, and there will be no pre-registration. Chett is in charge of booking music and has a budget for 5 hours of music. Wagon Rides will be available for \$5, starting at the Visitor Information Centre. Robin will finalize the route and fill out a street activity form for the Town that can be shared with the RCMP. Questions were asked about the Town Crier Competition which had originally had a prize of a costume attached but was cut in the budget. Ideas were brought forward about potential costumes coming from the Museum and the former Town Crier's costumes may have been donated to the museum. As there is little time this year, the Town Crier Competition discussion will be tabled until next year. The Cadets will be asked to help tear down. Their help was appreciated in previous years. Bouncy Castles are still being figured out. The members of CP & V will volunteer to work the information booth and a schedule will be sent around via email. The Rendezvous Dance proposal was brought up however it was decided that it needed to be discussed at a Town level for procedure, rental and liability reasons. Doug will host Shelburne's Got Talent again this year.

c) Sidewalk Poetry – Painted Hints Request

Julie reported that Blanka has begun painting the rain-activated poetry on sidewalks throughout the Town. She has asked if she can paint a small opaque picture next to her poems as a hint to what will appear in the rain. For example, one poem is about Daisies so she would paint a small daisy at that location. As this would be a Decoration of Town Infrastructure Policy question, it needed to come to CP & V for a motion of approval as per the policy.

Renaud – Mattatall

THAT Blank be approved to paint a small painted hint on the sidewalks at her poetry locations.

CARRIED

d) SRHS Bursary

The CP & V Committee totaled their scores from the week of reviewing essays to find the winner of the SRHS 2019 Bursary. The committee was very impressed to see 12 entries this year which is a new record.

Ayer – Bower

THAT the Shelburne Regional High School Bursary be rewarded to essay number 10 (Lyndi Alyse Goulden) who had the highest average score.

CARRIED

e) Summer Break for CP & V

Renaud – Bower

THAT the CP & V Committee take a break for the months of July and August as they are busy volunteering with various Town events.

CARRIED

f) Mike Hartigan Rudolph's Wharf Project

Karen Mattatall informed the CP & V Committee about a discussion she had with Mike Hartigan regarding his proposed Rudolph's Wharf project. He hopes to still build the bait shed portion of the project with the help of volunteer and donations. Julie suggested that the idea be brought to the Asset Management Committee for consideration if the Town will own and be responsible for the building once the project is complete. Karen suggested that the group ask Mike to be a delegation to the CP & V Committee in the Fall to talk about the project.

g) BCAF Bioswales planting project

Julie informed the committee about a living shoreline bioswales project that is being undertaken between the Town of Shelburne and the Bluenose Coastal Action Foundation (BCAF). BCAF will plant a living shoreline that has been designed to help prevent erosion due to tidal surges that come over Dock Street. In order to make this project happen, BCAF needs volunteers to help with the planting on Aug 17-18 and Aug 23-24 (weather permitting). Julie asked committee members to keep this in mind and inform others about the need for volunteers for this project. Advertisements for volunteers will be posted closer to the dates.

7. New Business

a) Holly Renaud – Trail Garbage Bins

Holly mentioned that the garbage bins along the trail are full and overflowing. The dog waste in the bins makes the stench very strong for users of the trail. Julie informed the group that if they notice issues that require the attention of public works, to call the front desk so that a work order can be made. Julie will have the front desk create a work order for this issue.

b) Holly Renaud – North end of Mowatt Street Gravel Danger

Holly reported that on the North end of Mowatt Street, in front of the Northwood Apartments, there is an issue with uneven footing for walkers and gravel issues. It was noted by Harold that there are no parking signs at that location to prevent this kind of issue and it was suggested that we make Peggy aware of this as well so that she can issue tickets.

c) Mary Ayer – Crosswalk Light Height

Mary mentioned that the crosswalk light buttons are quite high or awkward to reach for people with mobility issues of small children. It was suggested to ask if there was a way to lower the buttons to make them more accessible or to have a ramp up to the edge of the

bumpouts. It was also noted to ask if there was a way of extending the flashing time of the lights by 5 seconds to allow slower pedestrians and the Little People's Place children more time to cross.

d) Robin Walker – August Volunteer of the Month

Due to a previous nominee not wanting to be recognized as a Volunteer of the Month, the committee bumped the Boomerang Bags Group forward. That group had originally been slotted to be the Volunteers of the Month for August. A replacement suggestion was made and accepted by the group.

8. Next Meeting: Thursday, September 12th, 2019

9. Adjournment

Renaud - MacAlpine

THAT the Regular Meeting of the Community Participation & Volunteerism Committee of Wednesday, June 12th, 2019 be adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

CARRIED