



BATH GARDENING CLUB & HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
August 26th, 2024, Executive Meeting Minutes

Time: 1:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Venue: 88 Abbey Dawn Dr.

Members Attending:

Janice Firth, Sylvia Whalen, Joanne Pearce, Laurie Minorgan, Val Bhém, Diane Nolting, Linda Cohen, Sandra Lowman, Marion Janssens.

<http://bathgardeningclub.ca>

1. Membership:

The COC is available on the website, and possibly included in the welcome package given to new members. Existing members will tick a box when they renew their membership to indicate that they have read and will observe same.

Diane Nolting stated that committee leads should have a copy of the membership list

2. Executive Positions to be filled for 24/25.

a) Vice President:

b) Co-Treasurer: Laurie Minorgan said that it would mainly be for grants and applications, and that she would be willing to help with this.

c) Hospitality: Chair and table set-up and take down should be done by all members attending. Coffee/tea and treats. It was suggested that treats could be discontinued.

d) Market Manager: Erin McClure, gave notice that as of September 1st, she will not stay as Market Manager.

e) Recording Secretary: Marion Janssens stated that she will not continue in this role.

3. Committee Updates:

a) Planting: Val Bhém. Val is happy to report that the planters and gardens are looking great. She is asking for the same budget with a \$1000 buffer. She also suggested that Tristan (Flourish) top up the planters as the soil has settled. Hanging baskets do not make sense financially and suggested we leave things as they are. Watering seems to be a problem as everything was bone dry when she checked. Val suggested we monitor the beds and planters informally, and she will talk to Tristan about watering an additional day. Some of the vendors don't seem to be helping to maintain planters or beds and the question "Why are we doing this?" was asked.

b) Pollinator Garden and Memorial Grove: Suggestion for a picture board to be installed. Sylvia to follow-up. A price of \$300 for a concrete pad and patio stones was obtained by Sylvia.

Janice is to look into the cost of memorial plaques for members in the group who have died and possibly family members. The cost could be recouped by a donation by family members. There was also some discussion about how to mount them.

c) Market: Linda Cohen expanded on Erin's resignation, citing that work overload might be a reason since Erin did not state a reason for her decision. Linda is not taking over. New vendor forms available on the website. Scheduled FB posts will be done for the remainder of the season. Linda will look at ways to streamline the market going forward. Set up point of contact committee.

d) Programs: Janice F.



Confirmed for:

September: Garden Trivia

October: Growing Microgreens, by Christine, the BFG.

November: Succulents Workshop by Angela (Limestone Succulents).

December: A lunch out was suggested for our Christmas get together. Location TBD.

Unconfirmed for future: Naturalizing,

Garden Art for Cheapskates (Gary and Diane Westlake),

Foraging (Sheila Nemcsok)

4. Mileage: (for members travelling for club business.)

There was some discussion about per kilometer rate, \$0.50 per km was suggested.

OHA has a set rate. Should out of town costs be reimbursed?

This should be put out for discussion.

5. Observing death or illness or hospitalization

Newsletter is used for this. It was suggested that a card could be sent. Membership list could be used by the person sending the cards out.

6. Google workshop: It was suggested that we have a follow-up workshop for those who did not attend the last one. Those that would like a refresher would be able to join as well.

7. Meeting Dates and Times: discussion was postponed

8. Other Business: Canada Day Parade, our participation was missed this year. We had volunteers but no lead for the group. It was suggested that it be put to the members. Start early and collect ideas from the group.

9. Next Meeting:

Date: September 27th, 2024 at 1:30 to 3:30

Location: 88 Abbey Dawn Dr.