

AGENDA
Gardens and Green Spaces Advisory Committee
Municipality of West Grey
Durham Arena Hall
September 26 at 7:00 p.m.

1. **Call to order**
2. **Declaration of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof**
3. **Adoption of previous meeting's minutes**

Recommendation

That the minutes of September 14 meeting be adopted as circulated.

4. **Business arising from the minutes**

- 4.1 Results of adoption of Annual Beautification Plan as recommended to Council

- 4.2 Compose a grading scale for assessing the gardens and green spaces in Ayton, Durham and Neustadt by this committee to be completed this fall.

Recommendation

That Council consider the following assessment of the Gardens and Green Spaces concerning the present state of each garden, its viability and any future actions required for 2023. Also included is a list of updates or new additions to any garden or green spaces within this municipality's urban settings.

5. **New Business**

- 5.1 A comprehensive review of summer flower program 2022 using costs and number of flowers purchased

- 5.2 Plan for colours and number of flowers for the 2023 summer season used in hanging baskets, bridge baskets and planters.

- 5.3 Plan for the fall and winter decor in the municipality based on recent review of 2021 – 2022 completed in January 2022.

Recommendations

That Gardens and Green Spaces Committee recommend that Council approve the purchase of the following items for the 2022 winter season beautification plan:
-garlands (25 feet ___ and 75 feet ___)

- bunches of evergreen boughs
- strings of lights (battery or plug in)
- miscellaneous decorations or materials used to make decorations

That the bridge baskets in Ayton (or in other areas) remain so as to be used in the winter decoration plan and to be removed early in the new year.

6. Next meeting – n/a

7. Adjournment

Recommendation

That we hereby adjourn at _____ p.m. To meet again on _____ at 7 p.m. Or at the call of the chair.

DRAFT Minutes
Gardens and Green Spaces Advisory Committee
September 14, 2022
Durham Arena Hall at 7:00 p.m.

Members present Scott Foerster
Mary Lou Pfeffer
Julie Wilson
Lauren Smolen
Connie MacEwan
Doug Hutchinson (Councillor)

Regrets Elizabeth MacKenzie
Angela Stanley
Becky Weltz
Geoffrey Shea (Councillor)

1. Call to order

Chairperson Scott Foerster called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

2. Declaration of pecuniary interest and general nature thereof: None

3. Adoption of the minutes of May 3 and June 8

Resolution: 16 - 2022

Moved: Julie Wilson

Seconded: Lauren Smolen

That the amended minutes (Scott Foerster instead of Doug Hutchinson, worked at planting the planters at MacGowan Falls at the end of the June 8 work meeting) of June 8th and May 3rd be adopted as presented.

Disposition: Carried

4. Business arising from the minutes

4.1 Ask staff for clarification concerning the adoption of the Annual Beautification Plan, presented by this committee, by Council.

4.2 Further clarification of mandatory Police Check, the wearing of safety vests and gloves for implementation in 2023.

4.3 Resolution: 17 – 2022

Moved: Julie Willson

Seconded: Connie MacEwan

That this committee undertake a comprehensive inventory of all reutilized items used to beautify West Grey yearly, beginning with the number of such things as planters, pots, bridge

baskets and the like used during the summer season and continue through the other seasons. This inventory will give this committee a clearer picture of the materials available.

Disposition: Carried

5. New Business

5.1 The summer banner program is presently hanging in West Grey. Inquiries will be made to the CAO about the fall banner program.

5.2 The chair will contact the CAO regarding an update on the Legion's banner program.

5.2 A short review of the flower program in West Grey this summer was initiated. However, several details concerning the cost of these flowers was not available. The CAO will be contacted for the numbers of flats of flowers that were ordered so as to ascertain about how many will be required for 2023. A general comment shared concerned the disproportionately tall flowers that were used this year in the planters. The topics of colour and type of flowers for 2023 will be addressed at the next meeting.

5.4 Planning for the winter decor will be addressed at the next meeting using this past winter's review created by this committee in January, 2022.

5.5 To address any possible improvements or changes to gardens and green spaces in West Grey, each area will begin to assess the beds and green spaces in Ayton, Neustadt and Durham including new developments or changes to present beds and rank them in order of urgency and cost. These combined lists will be presented to West Grey Council in the form of a recommendation for 2023.

5.6 No information was available concerning the remaining budget allotted for 2022. Will contact the CAO for such information for the next meeting.

6. Next Meeting: Monday, September 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the Durham Arena Hall.

7. Adjournment

Resolution: 17 – 2022

Moved: Connie MacEwan

Seconded: Julie Wilson

That we hereby adjourn at 8:18 p.m. to meet again on Monday, September 26 at 7 p.m.

Disposition: Carried

Chairperson