

## District of Maple Ridge

### SOCIAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REGULAR MEETING

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Social Planning Advisory Committee, held in the Blaney Room, at Maple Ridge Municipal Hall on Wednesday, July 3, 2013 at 7:07 pm.

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#### COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Goos, Chair	Community at Large
Treena Innes, Vice-Chair	Community at Large
Councillor Cheryl Ashlie	Council Liaison
Councillor Bob Masse	Council Liaison
Arlana Kuzyk Authority	Community Health Specialist, Fraser Health
Candace Gordon Network	Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows-Katzie Community
John Heffernan Living	Ridge Meadows Association for Community
Sarah Nelson	School Trustee, School District No. 42
Sheila McLaughlin	Community at Large
Staff Sergeant Major Andrew Martin	Ridge-Meadows RCMP
Steven Lamothe	Community at Large

#### STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Sue Wheeler	Director of Community Services
Joanne Georgelin	Committee Clerk

#### REGRETS/ABSENT S

Rajinder Kalra	Community at Large
Inspector David Fleugel	
Ineke Boekhorst	Business Improvement Association
Kathy Marshall (Alternate)	School Trustee, School District No. 42

#### GUESTS

##### 1. Call to Order and Introductions

Chair Bob Goos called the meeting to order at 7:08 pm.  
Introductions of the Committee were made.

##### 2. Agenda Approval

R13-023 It was moved and seconded

That the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of July 3, 2013 be adopted with the deferral of the following items:

- Item 5.3 Research on the M.U.R.B Program
- Item 5.4 CRHC Charter
- Item 6.1 FCM Resolutions

**CARRIED**

**3. Approval of the June 5, 2013 Meeting Minutes**

R13-024 It was moved and seconded

That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 5, 2013 be adopted with the following correction:

- Replace Fraser Heights with Alouette Heights in Sheila McLaughlin 's roundtable.

• **CARRIED**

**4. Summer Cheer**

Bob Goos led the committee recalling Canadian songs.

**5. New Business**

5.1 Housing Action Plan Request for Proposal

Sue Wheeler gave an overview of the Housing Action Plan which included the following goals and objectives;

- Assessing local housing market conditions.
- Identifying housing priorities.
- Encouraging the supply of new rental housing.
- Develop local partnerships and work with other levels of government to secure affordable housing.
- Identify short, medium and long-term actions to meet housing needs across the housing continuum.

The timeline for an RFP being sent out for the Housing Action Plan will be mid July, with interviews commencing in August and consultants beginning work in September. July 22, 2013 a report will be issued to council on the Housing Action Plan updates.

R13-025 It was moved and seconded

**That the Housing Action Plan Update be received by the Social Planning Advisory Committee and forwarded to Maple Ridge Council.**

**CARRIED**

5.2 RSCH Terms of Reference for the Homeless Count and a New Regional Homeless Plan

Sue Wheeler gave an overview of Shawn Mathewson's role on the advisory committee and the upcoming homeless count. Ms. Wheeler indicated this will be the fourth annual homeless count within our community and will have a new structure in place including a coordinator who will be assigned to our community for this count.

Sue gave an overview of the Terms of Reference for a new Metro Vancouver Regional Homelessness Plan, sent out electronically in the agenda package.

5.3 Research on the M.U.R.B. Program - Deferred

5.4 CRHC Charter - Deferred

5.5 Canada Day Report  
Sue Wheeler gave an overview of the Canada Day Event in Maple Ridge including photos from the day. Ms. Wheeler reported that 32 volunteers attended and the Haney Farmer's Market had record sales.

## **5 Unfinished Business**

6.1 FCM Resolutions - Deferred

6.2 Vibrant Downtown Task Force Update  
Arlana Kuzyk gave an update on the walking tour which recently took place with the Vibrant Downtown Task Force Group. The walking tour included a youth group which were very helpful in pointing out problem areas where youth congregate.

The walking group identified "problem" areas which will be compiled in a report and sent to the Vibrant Downtown Task Force before being forwarded on to the SPAC committee.

Please note the committee members chose to discuss other topics at this time.

6.3 Membership Review with Committee Recommendations  
Sue Wheeler gave an update on last month's recommendations for SPAC membership and informed committee members this will be on the July 8 council meeting.

## **6 Committee Reports**

7.1 Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows-Katzie Community Network Update - Nil

## **7 Roundtable**

Bob Masse reported he recently attended the RCMP Auxiliary Graduate event.

Arlana Kuzyk reported that Fraser Health has launched a new survey. Data available after the survey will benefit neighbourhoods and include a population health report.

John Heffernan reported a busy summer with Ridge Meadows Association for Community Living with all their camps full and having wait lists.

Trenea Innes reported on a new initiative coming soon regarding family doctors called "A GP for Me".

**9. Correspondence**

9.1 The State of Homelessness in Canada

9.2 Treating Poverty Works Like Medicine

9.3 Canada Needs a Rental Housing Plan

**10. Adjournment - 8:43 pm.**

**11. Next Meeting:** Wednesday, September 4, 2013

**Agenda Deadline:** Monday, August 19, 2013

**Location:** Blaney Room, Maple Ridge Municipal Hall

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Chairperson

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