

City of Maple Ridge

SOCIAL POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Social Policy Advisory Committee, held in the Blaney Room, at Maple Ridge City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia, on Wednesday, July 6, 2016 at 7:00 pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Delaram Farshad	Fraser Health
Councillor Bob Masse	Council Liaison
Const. Brenda Gresluk	RCMP
Dr. Helena Swinkels	Fraser Health
Annette Morgan	Seniors Network
Laura Butler	Member at Large
Tarel Swansky	Member at Large
Ineke Boekhorst	Downtown BIA / Friends in Need
Kathy Doull	Fraser Health

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Sunny Schiller	Committee Clerk
Shawn Matthewson	Staff Liaison / Social Planning Analyst

GUESTS

James Caspersen	Alouette Home Start Society
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REGRETS/ABSENTS

Mike Murray	School District #42 Trustee
Matt Williams	Member at Large
Vicki Kipps, Chair	Community Network
Candace Gordon	Maple Ridge-Pitt Meadows-Katzie Community Network

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

There being a quorum present, Councillor Masse called the meeting to order at 7:06 pm and introductions were made.

2. AGENDA ADOPTION

R16-018

It was moved and seconded

That the Agenda dated July 6, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED

3. MINUTE APPROVAL

R16-019

It was moved and seconded

That the Minutes dated June 1, 2016 be approved.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 James Caspersen – Housing First Presentation

James Caspersen, with the Alouette Home Start Society, presented information on Housing First philosophy and programs.

4.2 Fraser Health - Healthier Communities Partnership Presentation

Delaram Farshad, Community Health Specialist with Fraser Health, presented information on the background and operation of Healthier Communities Partnership tables.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Temporary, Interim and Permanent Shelters Updates

Councillor Masse provided an update on the temporary, interim and permanent shelters. The Staff Liaison reported a meeting was recently held with high impact stakeholders in regards to the temporary shelter.

5.2 Community Dialogue Subcommittee Update

The Staff Liaison presented the Community Dialogue Subcommittee terms of reference recently endorsed by Council. The subcommittee will begin work soon and report back to SPAC in the fall.

5.3 Federal Government's Affordable and Social Housing Announcements

Deferred

5.4 Homelessness Partnering Strategy Funding Update

The Staff Liaison reported an application has been submitted for Homelessness Partnering Strategy funding to host a Mayor's Regional Summit on Homelessness.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6.1 Update on the Youth Strategy

Deferred

6.2 Update on the BC Bus Pass Program for People with Disabilities

Deferred

6.3 Update on the Child Youth Wellness Centre

Councillor Masse reported the program is operating and funding has been secured for one year. Referrals to the program can be made by family physicians.

7. COMMITTEE UPDATES

7.1 Community Network

The Community Resource Fair is upcoming.

7.2 Neighbourhood Development

The Chair reported that Canada Day celebrations were very successful. Many block party applications have been received. PLEA and Youth Services will be hosting a BBQ for Pride Week.

Sgt. Gresiuk reported the RCMP is seeking volunteers and orientation sessions are coming up.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

9. QUESTION PERIOD

10. ROUNDTABLE

Annette Morgan reported on the upcoming Seniors Network Meeting. An application for a Seniors Outreach Worker position is in the works.

Dr. Swinkels reported on focus areas for Fraser Health staff in the community.

Delaram Farshad will be working on the Physical Activity and Sports strategy being developed by Parks and Leisure Services.

Note: Sgt. Gresiuk left at 9:00 pm.

11. ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned at 9:02 pm.

Chair

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