



City of Maple Ridge  
Social Policy Advisory Committee  
MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Social Policy Advisory Committee (SPAC)  
held via Zoom teleconference on January 6, 2021 at 7:01 pm.

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**COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor Judy Dueck	Alternate Council Liaison
Blaire Mikoda, Chair	Member at Large
Kim Dumore	School District No. 42 Trustee
Eileen Dwillies	Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Seniors Network
Jenny Earley	Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Katzie Community Network
Sim Khurme	Youth Member at Large
Marissa Stalman	Member at Large
Tarel Swansky	Member at Large

**STAFF PRESENT**

Tony Cotroneo	Staff Liaison/Manager, Community Engagement
Sabina Chand	Committee Clerk

**COMMITTEE MEMBERS ABSENT**

Brenna Ayliffe	Fraser Health
Councillor Ryan Svendsen	Council Liaison

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The Staff Liaison, Tony Cotroneo chaired the meeting until the selection of the Chair and Vice Chair.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

**2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

R/2021-001

It was moved and seconded

**That the January 6, 2021 Social Policy Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda be approved.**

CARRIED

**3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

R/2021-002

It was moved and seconded

**That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Social Policy Advisory Committee meeting dated November 4, 2020 be adopted.**

CARRIED

**4. DELEGATIONS – NIL**

**5. QUESTION PERIOD – NIL**

**6. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## 6.1 Member Introductions

The Committee members introduced themselves and welcomed new members Sim Khurme and Eileen Dwillies.

## 6.2 Chair And Vice Chair Selection

The Staff Liaison opened up the floor to nominations for Chair and Vice Chair of the Social Policy Advisory Committee.

R/2021-003

It was moved and seconded

**That Blaire Mikoda be elected as Chair of the Social Policy Advisory Committee for 2021.**

CARRIED

R/2021-004

It was moved and seconded

**That Councillor Ryan Svendsen be elected as Vice Chair of the Social Policy Advisory Committee for 2021.**

CARRIED

## 6.3 Advisory Committee Overview

The Staff Liaison and Committee Clerk provided an orientation on the Social Policy Advisory Committee and answered questions and comments from members.

## 6.4 2021 Meeting Schedule

The Committee reviewed the proposed 2021 Meeting Schedule that was included in the agenda package.

R/2021-005

It was moved and seconded

**That the Social Policy Advisory Committee adopts the 2021 Meeting Schedule as presented and amends the start time to 6:00 pm.**

CARRIED

## 7. LIAISON UPDATES

### 7.1 Staff Liaison

The Staff Liaison advised that City Hall remains open to the public with mandatory protocols in place to ensure both public and staff safety.

### 7.2 Council Liaison

Councillor Dueck recognized Kim Dumore for her outstanding efforts in raising funds for the annual Christmas kettle bell campaign.

**8. TASK FORCE UPDATES**

**8.1 2021 SPAC Work Plan**

The Staff Liaison advised that the Task Force will meet shortly and report back to the Committee at the next meeting.

R/2021-006

It was moved and seconded

**That the Social Policy Advisory Committee add Tarel Swanky to the 2021 Work Plan Task Force.**

CARRIED

**8.2 Youth Strategy**

Kim Dumore provided an update on the current youth plan initiatives that focuses on identifying the gaps and opportunities and promote mental health wellness.

**8.3 Community Action Team (CAT)**

Kim Dumore advised that the Community Action Team continues to support the community by providing brown bag lunches, hair-cuts and harm reduction supplies.

**8.4 Early Development Instrument Workshop**

Jenny Earley provided further details on the community e-workshop that focused on early development and middle development instrument trends.

**8.4 Chronic Disease Working Group - NIL**

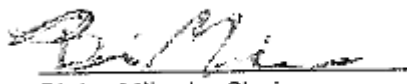
**9. ROUNDTABLE**

Members provided verbal reports on relevant events, activities and social policy topics.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Social Policy Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, March 3, 2021 at 6:00 pm.

  
Blaire Mikoda, Chair

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