



Upper Fraser Community Council Meeting
Date: February 27, 2009
Address: #304-32463 Simon Ave., Abbotsford
Time: 7:00 pm

Present: Kathleen Rake (chair), Jerry Laidlaw , Clayton Arkestyn-Volger, Jai Birdi, Kerry Lawson, Cathy Bonnett

Guest: Jon Cruz

Regrets: Brenda Gillette, Shirley Paterson, Heidi Schneider,

AGENDA TOPICS			
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Review of meeting minutes of May 13, 2008 and of agenda	Meeting minutes accepted by Kathleen and seconded by Clayton, all approved		
	Agenda accepted by Kathleen and seconded by Kerry, all approved		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Upper Fraser Crisis Response Network	A draft report has been done by Andre Jove in regards to challenges, how to respond to a crisis situation, and also to create strategies. It will involve what is working and what is not, as well as protocols with hospitals as to what is to be done in a crisis situation. Andre reported that there was a positive response in her discussions with analysts, facilitators and management. It was decided that she would be invited back to a Community Council Meetings to discuss her findings when the report is completed.		
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Transfer of children supports and services from CLBC to the Ministry of Children and Family Development	Due to the election in May 2009, discussion will resume after the election.		
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Meeting with the Ministry – Rich Coleman	With the election in the near future, most felt that nothing would be dealt with until after the election date.		
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New Projects	<p>Kerry spoke of the Respitality Program, which has already been put into action in the Victoria area, and is receiving impressive feedback. This involves free nights at hotels in various areas to the families that help our with the respite situations.</p> <p>Glenn Collins of Langley Association for Community Living, is already in the process of putting together a program in that area in regards to low rental suites, and has successfully been able to receive funding for 15 rental units at \$400.00 per month, from BC Housing.</p>		
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Victoria Association for Community Living	Victoria Association for Community Living is working on a project in regards to help and support for pregnant women who are developmentally delayed. Lee Rudance, from CLBC in Chilliwack, and Kerry Lawson have discussed doing a workshop with the staff from Victoria		
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	Contact Victoria Association for Community Living to set up workshop	Kerry Lawson and Lee Rudance	Ongoing
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		

Other	<p>Chilliwack Society has found that they have a surplus of funds this year end, and have plans to use the extra funding to help start up more summer programs for children in the Hope area. Chilliwack Society is also looking into ideas for programs in the Chilliwack area for those with drug addictions and people who are living on the street.</p> <p>Kerry spoke of a workshop on May 23rd, 2009, that is being put on by ``The Tax Detective``, who is well known for her seminars in regards to taxes. She will be discussing topics such as Registered Disability Savings Plans, and it was suggested by Council that CLBC do a mail out to inform caregivers and self advocates. It was also suggested that a mail out be sent to the various homes in the area.</p> <p>Suzanne Viet, contractor with CLBC, is to do a review of Council. She is looking for feedback in regards to the Council based on terms of Reference. She is to make recommendations to Council as to what can be improved. Kerry asked that 3 members agree to be interviewed.</p> <p>Kerry announced that CLBC has a new (temporary) facilitator who will be working out of the Chilliwack office. Rose Leeson comes to CLBC with a wealth of experience and knowledge and we would all like to welcome her.</p>		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
	Jai to discuss mail out with staff	Jai	Ongoing
	Review of Terms of Reference, to make recommendations and report to Kerry	All Council Members	March 2, 2009
	Kerry to send E-mail to Suzanne to inform who will be interviewed.	Kerry	March 6, 2009
ADJOURNMENT			
9:00 p.m.			
NEXT MEETING			
March 31, 2009 7:00 p.m. at CLBC Suite 201-2777 Gladwin St. Abbotsford, BC			