



Richmond Community Council Meeting

September 9th, 2014
#230 ~ 5611 Cooney Road
4:30 pm to 7:00 pm

Present: Brendan Coyle, Melanie Arnis, George Pope, Lani Hoy, Eve Minuk, Alex Li, Sam Lai

CLBC Staff: George Sartori, Wendy Brooks & Jay Townsend



Guests: Dena Bono – Housing Coordinator for the City of Richmond

Regrets: Sarah Ho, Ella Huang, Glenn Dublin,

AGENDA TOPICS

TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Acceptance of agenda and approval of last meeting's minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Meeting called to order at 4:37pm June 10th 2014 Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ✓ Minutes Approved by: George Pope ✓ Minutes Seconded by: Melanie Arnis
TOPIC	DISCUSSION
Manager Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Response Network: explained by George. Looks at involving health, police, community etc. in building capacity around adult guardianship issues. Important for us to build capacity in Richmond and involvement by community councils is encouraged. Seonag Macrae is the new CLBC CEO; Doug Woollard is now Vice President of Operations and is staying with CLBC. Services for Aboriginal people on reserve: Recent announcement by CLBC that services will now be extended to individuals living on any First Nations Reserve. It represents a change in our practice and we are now addressing this. There is no First Nations Reserve in Richmond. Alex is moving to the Vancouver Council so many thanks were given for his many years of involvement with community council and a small gift on behalf of the council was provided. Alex thanked Richmond council and said he is looking forward to

	new challenges in Vancouver.		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
		George Sartori	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
CLBC Community Connector in Vancouver Coastal Region	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Introduce Jay Townsend as Community Connector facilitator. New role for Jay and new role for Vancouver Coastal. George Sartori, James White and Ric Matthews thought it would be a good idea to utilize building strengths in community. Has sat on two Community Response Networks in Vancouver. Becoming familiar with North Vancouver and Richmond. Community Connector also assists Community Council and assisted the Vancouver Community Council with recruitment of new council members. Part of the role is to be more visible and take direction from councils. North Vancouver council is going to have a meet and greet to encourage recruitment. Assigned to this role two days per week. Jay's other role is PSI facilitator for the Vancouver area. Jay's email for council to contact him is Jay.Townsend@gov.bc.ca 		
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		Jay Townsend	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Housing Goals and Guest Dena Bono	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review Community Work plan discussion and update by Brendan. Having an open housing forum was discussed, maybe use the same format at Vancouver Community council did. Dena Bono said that if the council needs some City of Richmond space she can assist with arranging for that. Melanie suggested it might be possible to combine something with RSCL. She also discussed the recent two forums and one still-to-come forums arranged by RSCL. Dena Bono – Community Social Development Unit – City of Richmond. Have just hired an Affordable Housing Planner. Action oriented unit. Suggested Allan Hill, Diversity Coordinator, as someone who could share regular attendance at the Richmond Community Council meetings with her. Dena discussed types of different housing options such as aging parents or caregivers' suites, and the types of funding available through the City of Richmond for affordable housing. The city does not have the capacity to provide operating costs but can consider funding proposals for affordable housing developments. Suggests 1) do community needs assessment; 2) start working through your business case (looking at property, speaking to realtors, partnerships developed, etc) and present your business case to city council. 		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
		Council Members	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Community Council Recruitment	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> George is looking for ways to recruit self-advocates for Community Councils. Word of mouth works well in terms of general recruitment. Recruitment comes from all of council 		

	working on recruitment and George would like to have it as a standing agenda item to keep discussion occurring about recruitment.		
	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
		George Sartori	
TOPIC	DISCUSSION		
Standing Agenda Items:			
<ul style="list-style-type: none">  Council Events  Council Chair's Call Update 	ACTION	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
		Council	
ADJOURNMENT			
Meeting adjourned at: 7:15pm			
NEXT MEETING			
October 14 , 2014			