

Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

#2017 – 7495 – 132 Street, Surrey, BC V3W 1J8

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Community Council Minutes

Wednesday, April 25, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

Meeting Location:

CLBC – Surrey Office

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From 6:00 to 8:30 pm

Present: Marie Sabine (Chair), Vernon Hudson, Laila Karim, Vicki Stratton, Sherry Adam, Linda Beck and Tracey Chan

Guests: Rose Marie Borutski, Jerry Laidlaw

Regrets: Alison Scholefield

CLBC staff: Anthony opden Dries, Integrated Services Manager

Recorder: Edwina Jeffrey

1. **Call to order and Welcome to All**

Marie called the meeting to order after dinner at 6:30 after doing introductions from everyone, welcoming all and guests Jerry Laidlaw and Rose Marie Borutski (both potential Council members).

2. **Review and approval of the November 22, 2017, January 24, 2018 meeting minutes and notes from the February 28, 2018 (the March meeting was cancelled)**

Review and approval of the April 25, 2018 Agenda

Motion: *It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Tracey to approve the Agenda as revised.* Carried Unanimously

Motion: *It was moved by Sherry and seconded by Vernon to approve the November 22, 2017, January 24, 2018 minutes and notes from the February 28, 2018 meeting as circulated.* Carried Unanimously

3. **Re-appointment of Alison Scholefield, Laila Karim, Linda Beck, and Marie Sabine**

Motion: *It was moved by Vicki and seconded by Vernon to approve the re-appointments as presented.* Carried Unanimously

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Concurrent to this motion, council member Sherry Adam announced that because of good news in her family, she will no longer be able to sit on the Community Council. Everyone wished her well in her role as a new mom and with her family commitments. We will miss Sherry.

4. **Inclusive Employer Awards Planning Committee (request for a Council member to attend meetings)**

Edwina talked about committee progress to date. Awards are purchased. She suggested that our Community Council have a vendor table at the event to increase awareness to the community of what the Council is about.

Council members have noticed there are some inclusive employment practices by larger corporations including Safeway, Save-on-Foods and White Spot.

5. **October 10, 2018 Housing Forum co-hosted by the City of Surrey and the CLBC Surrey/Delta/White Rock Community Council**

This forum is about education. Attendees/Presenters include the: City of Surrey; Land Use and Social Planners from Surrey, Delta and White Rock; Councillors; Mayoral candidates; and Inclusion BC, CMHC, BC Housing, BC Non-Profit Housing Association, for profit and not-for-profit developers, BC People First, etc.

Speakers include:

- Gordon Hogg will provide an overview of the national housing strategy
- Someone from the City of Surrey talking about the City's new affordable housing strategy
- Doug Tennant, Executive Director of UNITI (Semiahmoo House Society, The Semiahmoo Foundation and Peninsula Estates Housing Society (may also include attendance of one or two self-advocates that are Chorus apartment tenants)
- Representative from BC People First
- Robert Brown, President, Catalyst Community Developments Society, will talk about his non-profit society that develops property for low-income housing including properties owned by faith-based groups, and those similar to Chorus apartments

After lunch participants and developers will break out at tables to brainstorm ways to provide affordable inclusive housing

- Current options: living with parents who can no longer provide housing, home share or a group home.
- Message is that most adults with a developmental disability prefer living independently with support as needed. Determine the cost and experience to reach your potential vs. the other options.

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Question asked: Who is doing research in the City of Surrey; how many people have home share, and other options?

Answer: unknown at this time

(Please contact Marie if you have further questions. She will try her best to answer them.)

Anthony will prepare a draft invitation to be reviewed at the May Council meeting.

6. **Completion of Council Self-evaluation** Please complete the on-line form and submit. Josefina will be asked to resent the link to the self-evaluation questionnaire.
7. **CLBC Board of Directors tour of a Community Councils (attending our meeting)**
Two Board members are doing a tour and want to sit in one of our meetings. October 24 will be suggested as a date for them to attend our Council meeting.
8. **Meeting check-in: a round table to see how is everyone doing. What is working well and what are challenges**
All members shared personal stories of what is going great in their lives, and other stories that describe what is sad, frustrating or challenging.

Anthony reported that:

- CLBC and InclusionBC, along with BC Housing, are collaborating on a Housing plan and hope it will be ready by the end of May.
- The Planning Project is planned for launch in September. This involves feedback from: individuals, family members, self-advocates. Schools across the province will receive the same information.
 - The first module is: About CLBC: real information about CLBC;
 - Employment for All (new initiative); and
 - Two other components where there were self-advocates involved.
- Looking at doing orientation with families as a group or individually. The Family Support Institute and STAAD also contributed.
- Project is in progress with WorkBC in terms of streamlining information from families to WorkBC (so that families don't have to retell their stories multiple times).

9. Adjournment and Reminders

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

Reminders:

Next meeting is on May 16, 2018