

Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

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Community Council Minutes Wednesday, March 24, 2021 – 6:00 p.m.

CLBC – Surrey Office

Note: Meeting held via MS Teams, due to Covid-19 Social Distancing

From 6:00 to 8:00 pm

- Present:** Akshay Sachdeva, Alison Scholefield, Jennifer Benjamin
- Regrets:** Tracey Chan, Linda Beck, Vernon Hudson, and: Emily Raven, Carolyn Tinglin
- Guests:** Ayesha Crasto, Bernadette Pughe
- CLBC staff:** Real Bernier – Facilitator; Jagdeep Rakhara – Integrated Services Manager, Regional Operations (South Fraser Region)
- Recorder:** Edwina Jeffrey
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1. Recognize and welcome to everyone

- a) Members introduced themselves to Ayesha, the new guest attendee.
- b) Alison volunteered to chair the meeting and it was called to order at: 6:15 pm. Acknowledgements were done to the traditional and unceded indigenous territories of the: Kwantlen, Katzie, QayQayt, Semiahmoo and Tsawwassen people. Upon meeting commencement, a quorum was not present, but members agreed to have an unofficial meeting.

2. Motions

Note: Recorder to follow up for approval of agendas and meeting minutes with the attending members of January 27, February 24 and March 24.

3. Member discussion and feedback re CLBC related updates and Council support

- Jagdeep provided an update that she will be the Manager working with this Council.
- Communications from head office will be shared at all meetings.
- Invitation for all to join a call about Covid-19 updates on March 30.
- PAC meetings on April 17th and May 29th.
- All individuals in CLBC residences have been vaccinated.

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- All individuals with CLBC services will be vaccinated; it is not known exactly when, but a letter will be sent out to individuals (should arrive by April 15). This letter is required for vaccination. Individuals first, then family members.
 - Next teleconference call with deputy Provincial Health Officer Dr. Daniele Behn Smith: Tuesday, **March 30 CLBC COVID telephone update**
 - Time: 1 – 2 p.m. Pacific Standard Time
 - 1-877-353-9184 Participant code: 37568#
 - Many community services, connections, events and updates were shared from a list and emailed to Council members.
 - Other information: Real mentioned an OpEd opportunity for publishing a subject or article/topics that Council is interested in doing with BC Disability website editor (Vancouver). Real is learning more information from him before sending that response to the Council members.
 - Other ideas are to have other staff to come attend as a Council guest; or invite other members from the community to attend.
4. **Discussion to review the Work Plan and address attainable short-term goals**
- Suggestion to update Work Plan heading: 2021-2022
 - Suggestion to go through each goal and process to see if some can be omitted or some goals can be amalgamated.

General:

The Council members reviewed and updated the Work Plan, including Goals 1 through 4. Goal 5 will be reviewed at the April 28, 2021 meeting.

Note: Updated Work Plan provided (included with these minutes)

5. **Updates from Previous Council Business:**

- a) Status: Council info/flyer poster: The council poster has been approved. This has now opened the door to post the flyer in all the app forms that CLBC has available. The council members agreed that the poster should be posted in this manner.

Other ways to spread information about the Council: have an information session, i.e., via networking with e.g., Disability BC, and send the poster out

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to service providers. It was mentioned there is a Council Facebook page. One goal is for everyone to recruit one person for the next meeting.

Question re networking: can the poster be sent via LinkedIn?

ACTION: Real will follow-up.

Jagdeep mentioned she would be at headquarters and could find out more for distribution of the info poster, and use of Facebook page.

- b) Incoming Council emails: (note: emails forwarded to Council members)
 - i. Toastmasters: Opening an online club in BC for people with diverse abilities. Invitation and poster provided; meetings on Thursdays at 5 pm.
 - ii. Primary Care Network: Surrey-North Delta Division of Family Practice – CN Community Partner Update – Online invitation for April 7, 2021, 6-8:30 pm . RSVP required.

- 6. **Round table check-in: How is everyone doing? What is working well and what are challenges? (time permitting)** Members shared how they have been doing with Covid-19 fatigue, and personal health ‘ups and down’ issues. Looking forward to getting the vaccinations. Positive news that one individual has some part-time jobs. We are fortunate that we can get outside and explore alternatives to occupy the time. Optimism is in the air and life getting back to normal.

- 7. **Adjournment at 8:22 pm and Reminders:**

Next Community Council meeting is April 28, 2021 at 6 pm.

ACTION: Real will email confirmation of next virtual Community Council meeting and will provide the appropriate associated documents.