

# Surrey – Delta – White Rock Community Council

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

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## Community Council Minutes

Meeting Location: CLBC – Surrey Office

#2017 – 7495 – 132<sup>nd</sup> Street - Surrey, BC V3W 1J8

Wednesday, November 28, 2018 – 6:00 p.m.

From 6:00 to 8:30 pm

**Present:** Marie Sabine (Chair), Brenda Pellegrin, Rose Marie Borutski, Linda Beck, Vicki Stratton, Tracey Chan

**Regrets:** Vernon Hudson, Laila Karim, Alison Scholefield, Jerry Laidlaw, (left Community Council because he is employed by CLBC)

**CLBC staff:** Anthony opden Dries, Integrated Services Manager

**Recorder:** Edwina Jeffrey

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

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm following dinner, celebration thank-you cake for Marie, and gift.

2. **Welcome to everyone**

3. **Review and approval of the October 24, 2018 meeting minutes**

***Motion:*** *It was moved by Marie and seconded by Tracey to amend the October 24, 2018 meeting minutes to include that Rose Marie is leaving Council effective after November 28<sup>th</sup> meeting.*

***Carried Unanimously***

**Review and approval of the November 28, 2018 meeting Agenda**

***Motion:*** *It was moved by Linda and seconded by Tracey to approve the Agenda with addition of Reimagining Community Inclusion (RCI) meetings (attended by Vicki).*

***Carried Unanimously***

4. **Inclusive Employer Awards – feedback from attendees (Edwina, Vernon, Brenda, Marie)**

Vernon mentioned to Edwina that he enjoyed the evening. She mentioned he did a great job helping with presenting sponsor plaques and thank you gifts to the panel members. There are some great pictures of him on the Inclusive Employer Awards Facebook page.

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Marie thought it was a great evening, went smoothly, presentations went well. Her table felt the same way. Enjoyed listening and watching the self-advocates who were assisting; either presenting awards, sponsor plaques, or doing the raffle.

Anthony thought it was a great event and enjoyed the evening.

(Along with other event committee roles) Edwina arranged for selection, purchasing, and packaging the nominee awards, sponsor plaques and panel thank you gifts. Thank you to: Community Council for supporting purchase of awards and sponsor plaques; and for subsidizing self-advocate registrations. Also thanks to CLBC for administrative and financial support.

Edwina spoke about the IEA debrief meeting held today. Committee members went over high level successes; not enough time to go over everything. Room for improvement in some areas, but overall, feedback heard from attendees was positive and the event was a success. (Committee debrief notes to be distributed.)

City representatives spoke of disappointment that 2017 vision/goals/strategies not further ahead, with the result the same type of event was planned for 2018. Spoke of future involvement in smaller way mentioning can support a breakfast education/awareness forum. There is a need to explore committee and roles; e.g., nominations still required. However, City cannot take on capacity to lead a future separate event. City representatives suggested rolling this event into the City awards in 2020.

As a volunteer, Edwina had mentioned in early 2018 that she had wanted to step down as Chair, but continued the role. In June the City hired an employee who was familiar with events planning, and subsequently the City suggested in early July, that their employee step in to take on the Chair role. Edwina continued to assist the incoming Chair, as requested, and as backup in other areas, including CLBC liaison.

ACTION: Anthony ensured he would attend next meeting to understand the future prospect of these awards.

5. **Review of Provincial Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting held September 21, 2018 (emailed to everyone)**
  
6. **Reimagining Community Inclusion (RCI) (over the next ten years):**  
Vicki is part of a 50 person group and talked about the six workshops planned. She mentioned the many representatives or groups on the committee. The first

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workshop entailed getting to know each other and out of that, themes were made, or topics for 10-year statements. The overall goal is by 2028 throughout BC, persons with intellectual disabilities and all persons would be welcome, etc.

At the last meeting, working groups were formed, with many subjects. Our Council member is on the: Community and Engagement Development Subcommittee.

Up until this point it has been about ideas, and as time goes on the ideas will become more concrete. What is the hope for RCI?

Partnership Table Sessions, started in October, next one is December 10th meeting: with the last one in March 18<sup>th</sup> (final meeting).

## 7. **Marie's retirement – role of Chair. Who/how will the Chair position be filled?**

Marie talked about the role and duties of the chair.

Add to January 2019 Agenda:

- Motion: To elect someone or to rotate the Chair position

Other Agenda items:

- Review workplan
  - Make sure everyone is in agreement of new areas of work

ACTION: Edwina to send the above agenda to Anthony and Josefina

## 8. **Review of CLBC's 'Plan on a Page' (attached):**

a. **What does Council want to focus on?**

b. **What topics/speakers would Council like to invite to a future Council meeting? Look at CLBC Goals**

- **Better Outcomes:**

- Better serve individuals with multiple complex needs: Continually increase strategies for serving individuals with multiple complex needs
- Increase access to independent living: An update on this, are we moving forward on that? Are we getting closer to the goal that this is actually an option...whether homeshare, or independently with support.
  - Discussion to investigate Senior Services Society Navigator (New Westminster): assists with knowledge on where and when units turnover. Suggestion to have a housing navigation advisor or

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have centralized service (housing outreach worker) for all walks of life; i.e., people with challenges.

- Recommend to continue to investigate Housing initiatives.
- Increase Employment: Invitation to Chris Chen to present on topic.

- **Improved Individual & Family Experience:**

- ACTION: Anthony to invite a self-advocate and a family member to talk about Welcome Workshops and how to support families with transitioning youth.

- **Enhanced Service Provider Partnerships:**

- Align services to needs

## 9. 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 has been challenging. All members wished Marie the best and all will miss her.

Marie mentioned she attended the BC Non-Profit Housing Conference - BC's Affordable Housing Conference; keynote speakers were great including Premier Horgan; 1500 attendance. She brought a copy of: "Home is Where Our Story Begins"; a collaborative report between CLBC, and InclusionBC Inclusive Housing Task Force (document can be found on:

<https://www.communitylivingbc.ca/wp-content/uploads/IHTF-Report-November-2018.pdf> )

## 10. Adjournment and Reminders

- **Next Community Council meeting is January 23, 2019:**

*Rose Marie agreed to stay on the Council therefore the next Community Council meeting is January 23, 2019 at Chorus Apartments Amenity Room; (room is immediate left of main entrance) Address: 2358 - 153 Street - Surrey, BC V4A 4R2*

- **Agenda items for January:**

- Motion: To elect someone as Chair or to rotate the Chair position
- Review Workplan items
  - Make sure everyone is in agreement of new areas of work