



SENIORS ADVISORY COMMITTEE

**June 12, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.
Committee Room No. 2
City Hall**

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

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| Councillor Bill Harper | - Chair |
| Lois Brassart | - Community Member |
| Calvin Donnelly | - Sapperton Old Age Pensioners (arrived at 2:13 p.m.) |
| Sylvester Helmink | - Queensborough 50+ Social Club Representative |
| Annette Oakes | - Century House Association Representative |
| Patricia Smith | - Community Member |
| Ravi Teja | - Community Member |
| Susan Zygmunt | - Community Member |

MEMBERS REGRETS:

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| Helen Bodner | - Seniors Services Society Representative |
| Giuliana Graves | - Community Member |
| Brian Pybus | - Community Member |

STAFF PRESENT:

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| Lesley Cole | - Manager, Seniors and Youth Services |
| John Stark | - Social Planner |
| Sarad Reynard | - Recreation Leader |
| Lauren Blake | - Committee Clerk |

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m.

1.0 ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

There were no additions.

2.0 ADOPTION OF MINUTES

2.1 Adoption of the Minutes of May 15, 2014

MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the minutes from the May 15, 2014 meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee be adopted.

CARRIED.

All members of the Committee present voted in favour of the motion.

3.0 PRESENTATIONS

3.1 Official Community Plan: Age and Ability Friendly Community Presentation and Discussion

John Stark, Social Planner, provided a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Official Community Plan (OCP).

Mr. Stark reviewed the OCP consultation schedule and the topics that will be discussed at each consultation, adding that the City would like a variety of individuals represented.

The Committee suggested that a survey regarding the OCP could be made available at the Seniors Festival.

4.0 UNFINISHED BUSINESS

4.1 Seniors Festival

Annette Oakes, Century House Association, provided an update regarding the Seniors Festival and reported the following information:

- The theme of the festival will be “Changing Faces of Ageing”;
- There will be programming for arts and culture, fitness and entertainment, as well as educational workshops;
- Approximately 25% of vendors and services will be for-profit businesses;
- External catering will be utilized, as the Anvil Centre Café and Restaurant will not be in operation at the time of the festival;
- Dr. Art Hister is being pursued as a keynote speaker; and,
- The Arts Council of New Westminster will provide assistance in locating local artists to provide various types of arts entertainment such as music, theatre and visual arts.

5.0 NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Official Community Plan Consultation Opportunities

John Stark, Social Planner, noted that Official Community Plan (OCP) workshops will provide staff with community input towards the development of the OCP.

6.0 REPORTS AND INFORMATION

6.1 Dementia-Friendly Community Initiative

John Stark, Social Planner, advised that an advertisement regarding dementia was placed in the June 11, 2014 newspaper and that he has received phone calls requesting additional information as a result of the advertisement.

Mr. Stark distributed the draft survey that will be distributed to members of the dementia community, adding that he is working with Fraser Health to determine individuals that could complete the survey. Mr. Stark advised that the survey will be made available on CityPage, as well as at civic facilities, and that non-English speakers will be provided with assistance to complete the survey.

It was suggested that Jim Mann could speak at the Seniors Festival, and the survey could be made available to accompany the presentation.

6.2 Seniors Planning and Action Network

Lesley Cole, Manager of Seniors and Youth Services, reported that the next Seniors Planning and Action Network meeting will occur on June 25, 2014 from at 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m. at Century House. Ms. Cole advised that an update will be provided following that meeting.

7.0 CORRESPONDENCE

7.1 Impacts of Aging of the Canadian Population on Housing and Communities

7.2 Planning for the Future: Age-Friendly and Disability-Friendly Official Community Plans

7.3 Age Friendly Saanich

7.4 (On-Table) Letter from Minister Ambrose

8.0 NEXT MEETING

Next meeting September 11, 2014 at 2:00 p.m. in Committee Room No. 2

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION, the meeting was adjourned at 3:29 p.m.

Certified correct,

COUNCILLOR BILL HARPER
CHAIR

LAUREN BLAKE
COMMITTEE CLERK