



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness

September 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m.

Via Video/Teleconference

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Thursday, September 16, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. The following Committee members called into the meeting:

Present: Councillor S. Morgan, Chair,
Mayor R. Alty, ex-officio,
J. Brinson,
R. Cook (9:35 a.m.),
W. Cook,
H. Dumbuya-Sesay,
M. Fatt,
D. McKee (9:05 a.m.),
S. Montreuil (9:05 a.m.),
N. Rao,
T. Roberts, and
R. Warburton.

The following advisory members called into the meeting:

R. Lau-a,
R. Ristoff, and
O. Wah-Shee (9:07 a.m.).

The following representative of the Federal Government called into the meeting:

R. Kelly.

The following members of Administration called into the meeting:

G. White
H. Ferris,
M. Johnson, and
B. Poeschek.

Call to Order & Introductions

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m.

Opening Statement

2. Councillor S. Morgan read the Opening Statement.

Approval of Agenda

3. Committee approved the Agenda as amended, to include a discussion on NGO donation/volunteer needs.



Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. Administration provided background on Conflict of Interest procedures.
5. J. Brinson declared a conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 6 on the Agenda, Discussion on Reaching Home COVID-19 Funding, due to the Salvation Army's funding request submitted to CAB.
6. H. Dumbuya-Sesay declared a conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 6 on the Agenda, Discussion on Reaching Home COVID-19 Funding, due to the YWCA's funding request submitted to CAB.
7. T. Roberts declared a conflict of interest with respect to Item No. 6 on the Agenda, Discussion on Reaching Home COVID-19 Funding, due to Home Base YK's funding request submitted to CAB.
8. Administration requested clarity from N. Rao regarding the status of the Yellowknife Women's Society \$40,000 funding request initially submitted to CAB for staff sick time relating to isolation/childcare, in light of a new request submitted prior to the meeting for rapid COVID tests for all NGO's. It was noted that only the second request is intended to be considered, and that the Yellowknife Women's Society withdrew its initial request for consideration.

Approval of Minutes

9. *September 9, 2021.*
10. Mayor R. Alty moved,
W. Cook seconded,

That the Minutes be approved as amended, to remove the reference to "S. Montreuil" being present, as she was not present at the September 9, 2021 CAB meeting.

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Discussion on NGO Donation/Volunteer Needs

11. Mayor R. Alty completed a roundtable survey of NGO representatives present, noting whether they would accept either monetary donations and/or volunteers from the public if presented with either opportunity.

Discussion on Reaching Home COVID-19 Funding

12. Committee deliberated the submitted Reaching Home COVID-19 Funding requests.
13. J. Brinson left the meeting at 9:33 a.m.
14. S. Montreuil left the meeting at 9:55 a.m.
15. R. Lau-a left the meeting at 9:57 a.m.
16. H. Dumbuya-Sesay and T. Roberts declared a conflict of interest and excused themselves from the meeting at 9:59 a.m.
17. R. Cook left the meeting at 10:00 a.m.
18. T. Roberts and R. Ristoff left the meeting at 10:26 a.m.



19. G. White left the meeting at 10:29 a.m.
20. W. Cook, N. Rao and D. McKee declared a conflict of interest and excused themselves from the meeting at 10:31 a.m.
21. M. Fatt declared a conflict of interest and excused himself from the meeting at 10:34 a.m.
22. Mayor R. Alty moved,
R. Warburton seconded,

That the \$100,000 remaining in Reaching Home COVID-19 Funding be allocated as follows, to respond to urgent needs for client services as defined under the Reaching Home directives in order to address COVID-19 in the homeless population:

YWCA:	\$16,666.67
Salvation Army:	\$16,666.67
Home Base YK:	\$16,666.67
Yellowknife Women's Society:	\$16,666.67
Arctic Indigenous Wellness Foundation:	\$16,666.67
NWT Disabilities Council:	\$16,666.67

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23. H. Dumbuya-Sesay, W. Cook, N. Rao, D. McKee and M. Fatt returned to the meeting at 10:37 a.m.

Next CAB Meeting

24. The next meeting was deferred and will be scheduled at a later date.

Discussion on Emerging Issues

25. Committee discussed the potential for additional emergency measures.

Action Item: NGO's are invited to contact the Yellowknife Chamber of Commerce with respect to their needs.

26. R. Warburton left the meeting at 10:42 a.m.
27. H. Dumbuya-Sesay left the meeting at 10:45 a.m.

Adjournment

28. M. Fatt moved,
Mayor R. Alty seconded,

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

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