



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE

Community Advisory Board on Homelessness
October 29, 2019 at 12:00 p.m.
Upstairs Boardroom

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Tuesday, October 29, 2019 at 12:00 p.m. in the Upstairs Boardroom.
The following Committee members were in attendance:

Present: Councilor S. Smith, Chair,
B. Denning,
D. Dolynny,
H. Dumbuya-Sesay,
G. Leonardis, and
D. McKee.

The following advisory members were in attendance:

K.S. Derejko, and
R. Lau-a.

The following members called in to the meeting:

D. Meilleur, and
M. Soldevilla.

The following members from the public were in attendance:

D. Buoy (Student from Aurora College), and
W. Czech (Canadian Alliance to end Homelessness).

The following members of Administration were in attendance:

G. White,
H. Ferris,
M. Mercredi, and
A. Devitt.

Call to Order & Introductions

1. The meeting was called to order at 12:07 p.m. It was recognized that we are on Chief Drygeese Territory, home of the Yellowknives Dene.



Safety Orientation

2. G. White went over a brief safety orientation, indicating where emergency exits are located.

Approval of Agenda

3. D. Dolynny moved
D. McKee seconded,

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

4. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

Approval of Minutes

5. *August 20, 2019.*

D. Dolynny moved,
B. Denning seconded,

That the Minutes be approved as presented.

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Business Arising from the Minutes

6. Administration has contacted multiple individuals in regards to costs associated with single Point of Access, Multiple Centralized Access, and No Wrong Door but information is not forthcoming. Administration will not be able to provide information as requested by Committee during the previous meeting.

Action Item: W. Czech is to provide insight to these costs following the meeting, but will not be able to provide exact numbers.

Coordinated Access Presentation from Wally Czech – Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness

7. W. Czech, Director of Training with the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, facilitated an open discussion on the topic of Coordinated Access being a mandated directive for designated communities receiving Reaching Home Dollars, and recommending that other stakeholders in the communities come on board as much as possible. The open discussion was facilitated in an attempt for W. Czech to understand what Committee's interpretation of Coordinated Access means in their community.

In closing, W. Czech recommended including a Lived Experience element as part of Committee moving forward.

Community Plan Update

8. Administration provided an update on the Community Plan, indicating that once it is approved, the rest of the funds will be released and there is no rush to have the funds spent



before March 31, 2020. Once the Community Plan Update is approved there will be a full calendar year available to organize spending.

Community Capacity Building Update

9. Administration provided an update on Community Capacity Building. Since the last Committee meeting, VAT training took place with Heidi from the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness and all organizations. W. Czech from the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness is currently in town completing more VAT training with YWCA, SideDoor and Yellowknife Women's Society. VAT training will be completed shortly followed by assessments. November 13-15, 2019, the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness will be returning to Yellowknife to facilitate 'Persons Centered Case Management' and 'Team Leadership' training (registration is full).

Next Meeting

10. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday, November 26, 2019 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the City Hall upstairs boardroom.

Further Items

11. No further items were addressed.

Adjournment

12. H. Dumbuya-Sesay moved,
B. Denning seconded,

That the meeting be adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

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Prepared: October 29, 2019 GW/ad