



CITY OF YELLOWKNIFE
Community Advisory Board on Homelessness
February 14, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
City Hall – Downstairs Boardroom

MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting held on Monday, February 14, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. in the City Hall, Downstairs Boardroom. The following Committee members were in attendance:

Present: Councillor L. Bussey, chair,
I. Hamlyn, and
L. Fuller.

The following representatives of the Federal Government were in attendance via conference phone:

M. Cannon, and
J. Wallis.

The following members of Administration staff were in attendance:

G. White,
D.M. Hernblad, and
C. Kida.

Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

2. L. Fuller moved,
I. Hamlyn seconded,

That the Agenda be approved as presented.

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Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

3. There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.



Approval of January 11, 2017 Minutes

4. L. Fuller moved,
I. Hamlyn seconded,

That the minutes for January 11, 2017 be approved as presented.

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Community Advisory Board on Homelessness (CAB) Terms of Reference

5. Administration noted that currently there are four (4) vacancies on the Community Advisory Board on Homelessness as follows: an organization serving Persons with Disabilities, an organization serving Seniors, a Yellowknife Business, and an Indigenous organization. Administration further noted that the deadline for applications has been extended to February 17, 2017. Administration advised that new members will be appointed at the Council Meeting on March 13, 2017. Administration stated that all organization should reapply.

In response to question from the Committee, Administration advised that the composition of the Board was structured so that various segments of the community are represented. Administration further advised that should the City receive no applications to fill a vacancy on the board the Terms of References can be amended to appoint a member of the public. M. Cannon Service Manager with Service Canada stated that there is flexibility in revising the Terms of Reference as long as it is approved by members and the Federal Government.

CAB New Project Information Update

6. *a. 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness*
Administration advised that Turner Research & Strategies started the background research and they are contacting key stakeholders.
- b. Request for Proposal (RFP): 24h Sheltering Services*
Administration advised that a proponent was selected for the 24H Sheltering Services.
- c. Request for Proposal (RFP): Street Outreach Services*
Administration advised that the potential proponent will only start the program once the sober centre opens and a vehicle is available to the program. The RFP is on hold until these two issues are solved.
- d. HPS: Innovative Solutions Application*
Administration informed that they are still waiting for a response from the Federal Government on the Managed Alcohol Program (MAP) application that was submitted to the Federal Government on November 14, 2016.

Councilor L. Bussey noted that Dr. Nicole Redvers made a presentation at yesterday's Municipal Services Committee meeting regarding the Arctic Indigenous Wellness Foundation. Councillor



Bussey further noted that Dr. Redvers would like to address social issues in downtown by creating a healing centre in Yellowknife. Councilor L. Bussey further advised that this is a collaborative approach among Dene, Metis and Inuit Organizations. Councilor L. Bussey further noted that she would like to invite Dr. Nicole Redvers to make a presentation to CAB. Councillor Bussey stated that she has requested Alina Turner, from Turner Research & Strategy to include this foundation in the list of key stakeholders for the 10 Year Plan to End Homelessness.

Training in Yellowknife

7. Administration noted that the Housing First (HF) team requested two trainings: Housing First Intensive training and Harm Reduction training.

Administration further noted that the HF Intensive training will take place on March 16 and 17, 2017 at City Hall. Administration stated that Mr. Wally Czech, the Director of training of the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness, is coming to Yellowknife to conduct the training.

Administration further stated that the Harm Reduction training is also taking place on March 16, 2017. Administration advised that an invitation was extended to other agencies to participate in the training. Administration further advised that the approximate cost for the training is \$2,000.

L. Fuller moved,
I. Hamlyn seconded,

That Board approves the expenditure of \$2,000, from the Housing First priority budget, for the Housing First training to cover the cost of travel and accommodations.

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Administration noted that the Vulnerability Assessment Tool (VAT) training will take place from May 2, 3 and 4, 2017 due to other commitments from the Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness. Administration further noted that due to short notice some members will not be able to participate and requested that training be rescheduled for the last two weeks of May.

Action: Administration to contact Canadian Alliance to End Homelessness to reschedule training during the last two weeks of May.

Administration noted that the Homelessness Individuals and Families Information System (HIFIS) first training session will take place on March 7, 8 and 9, 2017.

Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) Funding Summary 2016-2017

8. Administration stated that on December 8, 2016 CAB members moved a motion to reallocate any lapsing Homelessness Partnering Strategy funds from 2016/2017 to the Youth Capital Project for



Hope's Haven Mortgage. Administration further stated that approximately \$211,936 funds will be reallocated this fiscal year. Administration further noted this amount may vary due to Housing First training expenditures. Committee requested that Administrator provide the exact amount.

Administration noted a lapsing fund from the 24H Shelter Project of \$92,289 for 2016/2017 fiscal year. Administration further noted that this is the new money from the new Social Infrastructure Funding (SIF). Administration provided some options on how to disburse that amount:

- a) It can go back to the 24H Shelter RFP,
- b) It can be reallocated to an existing program (ie. Housing First or Youth Program), or
- c) It can be used to develop a new program that fits with the HPS directives.

Committee agreed on using the money to support Housing First for families.

- I. Hamlyn moved,
L. Fuller seconded,

That, due to gaps currently met in shelters, Board reallocates the \$99,289 from 24H Shelter Service to a newly identified project "Specifically Housing First for Families"

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Next Meeting

9. Next meeting is scheduled on Wednesday, March 15, 2017 from 12:00 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the City Hall, Downstairs Boardroom.

Adjournment

10. L. Fuller moved,

That the meeting be adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

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Prepared: February 16, 2017 DMH/ck