

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

May 23, 2017

The Minutes of the City Council Meeting held on May 23, 2017 at 7:03 p.m. in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia for the purpose of transacting regular City business.

PRESENT

Elected Officials

Councillor K. Duncan
Councillor B. Masse
Councillor G. Robson
Councillor T. Shymkiw
Councillor C. Speirs

ABSENT

Mayor N. Read
Councillor C. Bell

Appointed Staff

E.C. Swabey, Chief Administrative Officer
K. Swift, General Manager of Parks, Recreation & Culture
P. Gill, General Manager Corporate and Financial Services
F. Quinn, General Manager Public Works and Development Services

C. Carter, Director of Planning
D. Denton, Acting Corporate Officer
A. Gaunt, Confidential Secretary

Other staff as required

C. Goddard, Manager of Development and Environmental Services
D. Pollock, Municipal Engineer
R. MacNair,
C. Chan, Planner 1

Note: These Minutes are also posted on the City's Web Site at www.mapleridge.ca
The meeting was live streamed and recorded by the City of Maple Ridge

Note: Councillor Shymkiw chaired the meeting as Acting Mayor.

A Moment of Silence was held in remembrance of victims of a recent bombing attack in Manchester, England.

100 ***CALL TO ORDER***

101 Introduction of the new Officer in Charge, Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment

The Acting Mayor welcomed Jennifer Hyland as the new Officer in Charge of the Ridge Meadows RCMP Detachment. He outlined Superintendent Hyland's background, her history in the community and her career achievements. He again welcomed her to the City of Maple Ridge in her new role as the Officer in Charge.

200 ***AMENDMENTS TO THE AGENDA***

Item 1500 Question Period will be dealt with prior to Item 400

300 ***APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA***

The agenda was approved as amended.

Note: Question Period was held prior to Item 400.

400 ***ADOPTION AND RECEIPT OF MINUTES***

401 Minutes of the Special Council Meeting of May 9, 2017 and the Regular Council Meeting of May 9, 2017

R/2017-191

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of May 9, 2017 be adopted as circulated; and

That the minutes of the Council Meeting of May 9, 2017 be amended to indicate that Item 801 Motion by Councillor Speirs be deferred to the May 23, 2017 Council Meeting and that the May 9, 2017 Regular Council Meeting minutes be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

500 ***PRESENTATIONS AT THE REQUEST OF COUNCIL*** – Nil

600 ***DELEGATIONS***

601 Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services Request for Financial Contributions by the City of Maple Ridge to Affordable Housing

- Graham Plant, Development Manager, CPA Development Consultants
- Glenn Campbell, Board Chair, Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services

Mr. Campbell introduced the proposal by the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services to build an affordable housing building on property owned by the organization. He outlined services proposed by Community Services.

Mr. Plant gave a PowerPoint presentation providing details on the proposed affordable housing project on 11907 228 Street. He highlighted the commercial and affordable housing aspects of the projects and provided details on the types of affordable housing units to be built. Mr. Plant provided information on the capital structure for the project and requested a financial contribution from the City of Maple Ridge.

(See Item 901 for further discussion)

700 ***ITEMS ON CONSENT***

701 **Minutes**

701.1 Minutes of the Development Agreements Committee Meeting of May 9, 2017

701.2 Minutes of Meetings of Committees and Commissions of Council

- Advisory Design Panel – April 11, 2017
- Agricultural Advisory Committee – March 23, 2017
- Social Policy Advisory Committee – March 1, 2017

702 **Reports**

702.1 **Drinking Water Quality Report 2016**

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 providing information on the regulatory framework and water quality monitoring data for 2016.

702.2 **Disbursements for the month ended April 30, 2017**

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that the disbursements for the month ended April 30, 2017 be received for information.

702.3 **2017 Council Expenses**

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 providing an update on Council expenses to the end of April 2017.

703 **Correspondence** – Nil

704 **Release of Items from Closed Council Status**

From the May 9, 2017 Closed Council Meeting

04.03 Maple Ridge Community Heritage Commission – Member at Large Appointment – Lindsay Foreman

04.04 Post Election Outreach – congratulatory letters to successful candidates

R/2017-192

It was moved and seconded

That Items 701.1, 701.2, 701.3, 702.1, 702.2, 702.3 and 704 on the “Items on Consent” agenda be received into the record.

CARRIED

800 ***UNFINISHED BUSINESS***

Note: Items 801 and 802 were deferred at the May 9, 2017 Council Meeting

801 **Motion by Councillor Speirs**

Councillor Speirs advised on his motion requesting a discussion on Riverview Lands

R/2017-193

It was moved and seconded

That a discussion on Riverview be added to the June 20, 2017 Council Workshop agenda.

CARRIED

802 **Maple Ridge Amateur Radio Club (MRARC) – Community Gaming Grant**

Letter dated April 28, 2017 from John Mills, Chair, MRARC Lottery Grant Committee requesting support for the radio club in its application to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, Community Gaming Grants Branch for a grant to update its radio communications and training equipment.

R/2017-194

It was moved and seconded

That the application by the Maple Ridge Amateur Radio Club (“MRARC”) to the Ministry of Community, Sport and Cultural Development, Community Gaming Grants Branch for a grant to update radio communications and training equipment be supported.

CARRIED

900 ***CORRESPONDENCE***

901 **Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services – City of Maple Ridge Contribution to Affordable Housing**

Letter dated April 24, 2017 from Glenn Campbell, Chair, Board of Directors, Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services providing information on the proposed project to create affordable housing at 11907 228 Street and formally requesting a financial contribution from the City of Maple Ridge.

R/2017-195

It was moved and seconded

That staff be directed to investigate options for supporting the request from the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services for financial contributions toward their affordable housing initiative at 11907 228 Street.

CARRIED

Note: It was the consensus of Council that the request for a financial contribution by the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services be added to the May 29, 2017 Audit & Finance Committee Meeting for discussion. The wording on the main motion was not amended.

902 ***Metro Vancouver 2040: Shaping our Future* Amendment to Section G Performance Measures**

Letter from Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer, Metro Vancouver notifying affected local governments and other agencies of opportunities to update the performance monitoring program including an amendment to Section G of *Metro 2040* and requesting written comments on the proposed amendment.

R/2017-196

It was moved and seconded

That the letter from Chris Plagnol, Corporate Officer, Metro Vancouver notifying affected local governments and other agencies of opportunities to update the performance monitoring program including an amendment to Section G of *Metro 2040* be received into the record.

CARRIED

Councillor Robson - OPPOSED

1000 ***BYLAWS***

Bylaws for Adoption

Note: Councillor Masse left for the discussion of Item 1001 at 8:11 p.m. as he lives in the vicinity of the application.

1001 **2013-103-RZ, 12366 Laity Street**

Maple Ridge Zone Amending Bylaw No. 7042-2013

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending adoption

To rezone from RS-1 (One Family Urban Residential) to R-1 (Residential District) to permit subdivision of 4 lots in the first phase and 2 lots in a second phase

Adoption

R/2017-197

It was moved and seconded

That Bylaw No. 7042-2013 be adopted.

CARRIED

Note: Councillor Masse returned to the meeting at 8:13 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Public Works and Development Services

1101 **2017-035-RZ, 11781 and 11775 Burnett Street, RS-1 to RM-2**

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that Maple Ridge Zone Amending Bylaw No. 7325-2017 to rezone from RS-1 (One Family Urban Residential) to RM-2 (Medium Density Apartment Residential) to permit a five storey, 64 rental unit apartment building be given first reading and that the applicant provide further information as described on Schedules C, D and E of the Development Procedures Bylaw No. 5879-1999.

The Planner gave a PowerPoint presentation providing the following information:

- Application Information
- Subject Map
- Official Community Plan Context
- Neighbourhood Plan Context
- Site Characteristics
- Development Proposal
- Proposed Site Plan

R/2017-198

It was moved and seconded

That Bylaw No. 7325-2017 be given first reading; and

That the applicant provide further information as described on Schedules C, D and E of the Development Procedures Bylaw No. 5879-1999, along with the additional information described in this report.

CARRIED

1102 2017-061-RZ, Various Properties in the 22200 and 22300 Blocks of Dewdney Trunk Road, the 12000 Block of Garden Street, the 12000 Block of 223 Street and 12011 224 Street, RS-1 and C-3 to CD-1-17

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that Maple Ridge Zone Amending Bylaw No. 7336-2017 to rezone from RS-1 (One Family Urban Residential) and C-3 (Town Centre Commercial) to CD-1-17 (Comprehensive Development) for redevelopment over several phases, allowing for a comprehensively planned mixed-use commercial/office and residential development in the Town Centre Area be given first reading, that Discharge Land Use Contract Bylaw No. 7337-2017 be given first reading and that the applicant provide further information as described on Schedules C, D and E of the Development Procedures Bylaw No. 5879-1999, along with information for a Subdivision application.

The Manager of Development and Environmental Services gave a PowerPoint presentation providing the following information:

- Application Information
- Subject Map
- Official Community Plan Context
- Neighbourhood Plan Context
- Site Characteristics
- Development Proposal

- Proposed Site Plan
- Site Rendering

Peter Hildebrande, Architect, Iredale Architecture – Applicant Representative

Mr. Hildebrande gave a PowerPoint presentation outlining the site and its current boundaries. He advised on project objectives, the density of the project and its proposed layout. He also outlined the phasing of the proposed project and provided aerial renderings of project.

R/2017-199

It was moved and seconded

That Bylaw No. 7336-2017 be given first reading, and

That Discharge Land Use Contract Bylaw No. 7337-2017 be given first reading; and further

That the applicant provide further information as described on Schedules C, D and E of the Development Procedures Bylaw No. 5879-1999, along with information for a Subdivision application.

CARRIED

Note: Councillor Duncan left for the discussion of Item 1103 at 8:46 p.m. as she received an invitation to the Development Information Meeting and therefore is in a position of conflict.

1103 2015-297-RZ, Various Properties in the 23000 Block of Lougheed Highway and the 11300 Block of 232 Street, RS-3 to R-2, RM-1 and C-1

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that Maple Ridge Official Community Plan Amending Bylaw No. 7331-2017 to allow a site specific text amendment to the C-1 Zone and adjust zone boundaries to accommodate road and parkland modifications be given first and second reading and be forwarded to Public Hearing, that Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 7332-2017 to secure adaptive dwelling units be given first reading and that Maple Ridge Zone Amending Bylaw No. 7183-2015 to rezone from RS-3 (One Family Rural Residential) to R-2 (Urban Residential District), RM-1 (Townhouse Residential) and C-1 (Neighbourhood Commercial) to permit future subdivision of approximately 89 R-2 lots, 262 townhouse units, a one acre active park, conservation areas and a mixed-use commercial residential building be given second reading and be forwarded to Public Hearing.

The Manager of Development and Environmental Services gave a PowerPoint presentation providing the following information:

- Application Information
- Subject Map
- Official Community Plan Context
- Neighbourhood Plan Context
- Site Characteristics
- Development Proposal
- Proposed Site Plan
- Proposed Materials
- Overall Site Plan
- Landscape Plan
- Planting Plan

Maginnis Cocivera, Vice President Development – Polygon Homes

Mr. Cocivera gave a PowerPoint presentation providing information on the proposed Morningstar development. He outlined the concept introduced at first reading, the process involved to refine the original proposal and the changes proposed in the plan for second reading and Public Hearing. He spoke to the benefits to Maple Ridge generated by the proposed application.

R/2017-200

It was moved and seconded

- 1) That, in accordance with Section 475 of the Local Government Act, opportunity for early and on-going consultation has been provided by way of posting Bylaw No. 7331-2017 on the municipal website and requiring that the applicant host a Development Information Meeting (DIM), and Council considers it unnecessary to provide any further consultation opportunities, except by way of holding a Public Hearing on the bylaw;
- 2) That Bylaw No. 7331-2017 be considered in conjunction with the Capital Expenditure Plan and Waste Management Plan;
- 3) That it be confirmed that Bylaw No. 7331-2017 is consistent with the Capital Expenditure Plan and Waste Management Plan;
- 4) That Bylaw No. 7331-2017 be given first and second readings and be forwarded to Public Hearing;
- 5) That Bylaw No. 7183-2015 be amended as identified in the staff report dated (May 23, 2017), be given second reading as amended, and be forwarded to Public Hearing;
- 6) That 23070 Lougheed Highway Housing Agreement Bylaw No. 7332-2017 be given first reading;
- 7) Collecting a security for the provision of rental housing in accordance with the agreement to be entered into under Bylaw No. 7332-2017;

- 8) That the following terms and conditions be met prior to final reading:
- i) Registration of a Rezoning Servicing Agreement as a Restrictive Covenant and receipt of the deposit of a security, as outlined in the Agreement;
 - ii) Approval from the Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure;
 - iii) Amendment to Official Community Plan Schedules "B" and "C"
 - iv) Road dedication on Lougheed Highway, Haney Bypass and 232 Street as required;
 - v) Park dedication as required, including construction of walkways, multi-purpose trails, plaza and public art space and emergency access roads; and removal of all debris and garbage from park land;
 - vi) Acquisition of the 1 acre central park to the City;
 - vii) Voluntary park improvement contribution of \$150,000.00 for the central park;
 - viii) Two (2) fast charging electrical vehicle outlets;
 - ix) Consolidation of the subject properties along the proposed zone boundaries;
 - x) Registration of a Restrictive Covenant for the Geotechnical Report, which addresses the suitability of the subject properties for the proposed development;
 - xi) Registration of a Restrictive Covenant for the protection of the Environmentally Sensitive areas (wetlands) on the subject properties;
 - xii) Registration of a "No Build" Restrictive Covenant, substantially in the form of the draft attached as Appendix F, for the multi-residential and commercial / rental apartment portions of the subject site. It will restrict development until future subdivision or development permits are issued by Council that comply with Supplementary Design Guidelines (Schedule "A" attached to the "No-Build" Covenant in Appendix F). This covenant is to require the single residential and townhouse units be prewired for electric vehicle slow charging and one publically accessible fast charge electric vehicle charging station associated with the mixed-use Commercial / Rental Apartment site;
 - xiii) Registration of a Statutory Right-of-Way plan and agreement, including saving harmless the City, over the townhouse and commercial / apartment sites where public pathways, walkways or other interconnections throughout the site and into the Kanaka Regional Park are proposed;
 - xiv) Registration of a Reciprocal Cross Access Easement Agreement between the two townhouse lots south of the Lougheed Highway, as may be necessary;
 - xv) Registration of a Restrictive Covenant for protecting the Visitor Parking;
 - xvi) Registration of a Restrictive Covenant for Stormwater Management;

- xvii) Registration of a Housing Agreement in accordance with Section 483 of the Local Government Act and a Restrictive Covenant stating that a minimum of 24 dwelling units will be restricted to rental units;
- xviii) Registration of a Restrictive Covenant stating that a minimum of one third of the dwelling units subject to the Housing Agreement will be designed and build to comply with SaferHome Standards, (see Schedule A attached to the bylaw in Appendix E), and in accordance with Section 3.8.5 Adaptive Dwelling Units of the British Columbia Building Code;
- xix) Security for the apartment units to be provided in accordance with the Housing Agreement;
- xx) Removal of existing building/s;
- xxi) In addition to the site profile, a disclosure statement must be submitted by a Professional Engineer advising whether there is any evidence of underground fuel storage tanks on the subject properties. If so, a Stage 1 Site Investigation Report is required to ensure that the subject property is not a contaminated site;
- xxii) That a voluntary contribution, in the amount of \$1,523,000.00 to be provided in keeping with the Council Policy with regard to Community Amenity Contributions; and
- xxiii) A further voluntary Community Amenity contribution, in the amount of \$1,000,000.00.

CARRIED

Note: Councillor Duncan returned to the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

1104 2016-464-RZ, 20199 and 20185 McIvor Avenue, RS-1 to RS-1b

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that Maple Ridge Official Community Plan Amending Bylaw No. 7333-2017 to include property in the Urban Area Boundary and to change land use designation from Agricultural to Urban Residential be given first and second reading and be forwarded to Public Hearing and that Maple Ridge Zone Amending Bylaw No. 7308-2017 to rezone from RS-1 (One Family Urban Residential) to RS-1b (One Family Urban [Medium Density] Residential) to permit approximately 9 RS-1b zoned lots be given second reading and be forwarded to Public Hearing.

R/2017-201

It was moved and seconded

- 1) That, in accordance with Section 475 of the *Local Government Act*, opportunity for early and on-going consultation has been provided by way of posting Bylaw No. 7333-2017 on the municipal website and requiring that the applicant host a Development Information Meeting (DIM), and Council considers it unnecessary to provide any further consultation opportunities, except by way of holding a Public Hearing on the bylaw;

- 2) That Bylaw No. 7333-2017 be considered in conjunction with the Capital Expenditure Plan and Waste Management Plan;
- 3) That it be confirmed that Bylaw No. 7333-2017 is consistent with the Capital Expenditure Plan and Waste Management Plan;
- 4) That Bylaw No. 7333-2017 be given first and second readings and be forwarded to Public Hearing;
- 5) That Bylaw No. 7308-2017 be given second reading, and be forwarded to Public Hearing;
- 6) That Council require, as a condition of subdivision approval, the developer to pay to the City an amount that equals 5% of the market value of the land, as determined by an independent appraisal, in lieu of parkland dedication in accordance with Section 510 of the *Local Government Act*; and,
- 7) That the following terms and conditions be met prior to final reading:
 - i) Amendment to Official Community Plan Schedule "B";
 - ii) Consolidation of the subject properties;
 - iii) Registration of a Restrictive Covenant for the Geotechnical Report and Floodplain Report, which addresses the suitability of the subject properties for the proposed development;
 - iv) Registration of a Restrictive Covenant for Stormwater Management;
 - v) Removal of existing buildings;
 - vi) In addition to the site profile, a disclosure statement must be submitted by a Professional Engineer advising whether there is any evidence of underground fuel storage tanks on the subject properties. If so, a Stage 1 Site Investigation Report is required to ensure that the subject property is not a contaminated site; and
 - vii) That a voluntary contribution, in the amount of \$45,900.00 be provided in keeping with the Council Policy with regard to Community Amenity Contributions.

CARRIED

1105 Maple Ridge Ticket Information Utilization Amending Bylaw No. 7327-2017

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that Maple Ridge Ticket Information Utilization Amending Bylaw No. 7327-2017 to amend the fine amount for one section of the Maple Ridge Tree Protection and Management Bylaw be given first, second and third reading.

R/2017-202

It was moved and seconded

That Bylaw No. 7327-2017 be given first, second and third reading.

CARRIED

1106 Community Heritage Commission Recommendation regarding Federal Bill C-323

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that a letter indicating support of Federal Bill C-323 be prepared for signature by the Mayor and forwarded to the Federal Members of Parliament.

R/2017-203

It was moved and seconded

That a letter indicating Council support of Federal Bill C-323 be prepared for the Mayor's signature and that the letter be forwarded to the Federal Members of Parliament, with copies to others as identified in Appendix A of the staff report dated May 23, 2017.

CARRIED

Councillor Robson - OPPOSED

Financial and Corporate Services (including Fire and Police)

1131 Council Remuneration

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that Maple Ridge Council Remuneration Bylaw No. 7330-2017 to establish Council remuneration be given first, second and third reading.

R/2017-204

It was moved and seconded

That Bylaw No. 7330-2017 be given first, second and third reading.

CARRIED

1132 Train Whistle Cessation

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that preparatory whistle cessation steps as required by Transport Canada for eight public railway crossings located in Maple Ridge be undertaken and that a resolution be prepared for consideration as per requirements by Transport Canada's Procedure for Train Whistling at Public Grade Crossings.

R/2017-205

It was moved and seconded

That staff be directed to undertake the preparatory whistle cessation steps as required by Transport Canada for the eight (8) public railway crossings located in Maple Ridge except for the crossing at the Bell Pole Spur on River Road in Albion (Milepost 100.34); and

That staff prepare a resolution for consideration by Council as per the requirement detailed in Step 6 of Transport Canada's Procedure for Train Whistling at Public Grade Crossings as identified in this staff report dated May 23, 2017.

CARRIED

Community Development and Recreation Service

1151 Strong Kids Task Group

Staff report dated May 23, 2017 recommending that the Strong Kids Team be endorsed as a Task Group based on the attached draft Terms of Reference, that the structure be reviewed after a period of three years and that the Financial Plan be amended by \$12,000 per year for the three year term to fund the work of the task force.

R/2017-206

It was moved and seconded

That a decision to endorse the Strong Kids Team as a Task Group based on a draft Terms of Reference be deferred to coincide with a fuller discussion on the Youth Strategy to be held later in the year.

CARRIED

Councillor Duncan, Councillor Speirs - OPPOSED

Administration – Nil

Other Committee Issues – Nil

1200 STAFF REPORTS - Nil

1300 OTHER MATTERS DEEMED EXPEDIENT – Nil

1400 NOTICES OF MOTION AND MATTERS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS – Nil

Note: Question Period was dealt with prior to Item 400.

1500 ***QUESTION PERIOD***

Note: The Acting Mayor advised that due to upcoming court proceedings, Council and staff will be unable to answer specific questions related to the camp in St. Anne Park.

Michael Morden

Mr. Morden referred to the Maple Ridge Parks and Recreation Facilities Regulation Bylaw regulating camping in parks and asked why criminal charges were not pressed when materials were removed from the back of a City owned truck at a time City staff were clearing the St. Anne camp in accordance with the Parks bylaw. He also asked why the Bylaws Department did not enforce and continue to enforce the removal of the camp from St. Anne Park when a bylaw is in place to allow this action.

The Chief Administrative Officer advised that a response cannot be given as much of the question asked is contained in the City's arguments before the Court for ending the camp.

Mr. Morden requested a status report on the application to the courts and whether there is a time line on the application. The Chief Administrative Officer provided a time line.

Grover Telford

Mr. Telford commented on Supreme Court decisions based on persons having a place to go. He questioned the need for an injunction and legal involvement rather than the use of existing bylaws. He expressed concern over precedence being set should the injunction fail. Mr. Telford commented on the frustration felt by citizens. He reiterated his question as to why the City is proceeding with an injunction if the camp is illegal.

The Acting Mayor advised that the Bylaws Department has taken as much action as possible and that an injunction is required for RCMP support.

Julian (last name inaudible)

Julian expressed concern with the lack of police presence in the 223 Street and the North Avenue area and with the increase in drug use and break-ins. He stated that adequate police presence was promised when the camp on St. Anne was first set up however he felt that this has not been provided. He asked why a police vehicle could not be stationed in the area on a more regular basis.

The Acting Mayor advised on the increase in the number of police officers and security services for Maple Ridge and encouraged continued feedback from the community to assist with the allocation of RCMP resources.

Jody Johnson

Ms. Johnson asked why helmet laws are not being enforced and why police do not come out to complaint calls. She provided an example of a bicycle being stolen and upon calling the police being told no one would come out unless there was impending violence. She stated she will no longer call the RCMP, she will call friends. She expressed concern for her safety.

The Acting Mayor encouraged Ms. Johnson to communicate any concerns with unresponsiveness from the RCMP to Council.

Ms. Johnson expressed concern over persons who are breaking laws not being arrested. She did not feel the crime map is accurate. She expressed her frustration with the lack of police enforcement.

Terry Kennedy

Mr. Kennedy asked whether the City has entertained the idea of Community Policing. He advised that this system is used in Quebec and has proven to be extremely effective. Mr. Kennedy felt the RCMP's focus is a legal or court issue and suggested that the RCMP work to gain more respect and perhaps quit saying that a matter is a civil matter.

The Acting Mayor advised that the prospect of moving to a municipal police force is not currently on Council's agenda.

Mark Lancaster

Mr. Lancaster advised that he is the owner of an automotive shop in close vicinity to the camp. He thanked Council and the Acting Mayor for help in moving the matter of the camp removal forward. He asked whether 24 hour policing can be provided until the camp is removed.

The General Manager of Corporate and Financial Services advised on discussions taking place with various agencies including the RCMP, Bylaws and security pertaining to the pending closure of the shelter. He advised that the feedback from this meeting will be added to the discussion.

Pam Banks

Ms. Banks thanked the Manager of Bylaws & Licences for the work she has been doing from a Bylaws Department perspective and expressed that she was hopeful that Council stood behind their staff in light of comments being made on social media. Ms. Banks referred to individuals coming off the WestCoast Express who she believes are coming from the Downtown Vancouver area due to the fact that word has gotten out that there is a camp in Maple Ridge.

Ms. Banks asked whether anything will be set up to deter individuals who do not live in the community from infiltrating Maple Ridge and heading to the camp.

Kathy Pring

Ms. Pring read excerpts from comments put forward by doctors, namely Dr. Perry Kendall and Dr. Del Dorsheid, on the opioid crisis. She commented on the number of pharmacies being opened in Maple Ridge and expressed concern that these businesses are opening to hand out prescribed methadone. She asked whether a quota can be placed on the pharmacies being opened in Maple Ridge. Ms. Pring indicated that she has a business in the Maple Ridge City Centre tower and spoke to the number of disturbances coming into her shop and the concern she felt for her staff as a result.

Note: Item 400 was dealt with following Question Period

1600 ***ADJOURNMENT*** – 9:38 p.m.

T. Shymkiw, Acting Mayor

Certified Correct

D. Denton, Acting Corporate Officer