

**MAPLE RIDGE/PITT MEADOWS
MUNICIPAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS**

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness, held via Zoom teleconference on September 17, 2020 at 4:30 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Chelsa Meadus	Council Liaison, City of Maple Ridge
Councillor Gwen O'Connell	Council Liaison, City of Pitt Meadows
Laurie Geschke, Chair	Member at Large, Maple Ridge
Carolina Echeverri, Vice Chair	Family Education and Support Centre Representative
Don Mitchell	Member at Large, Maple Ridge
Mike Murray	School District No. 42 Representative

STAFF PRESENT

Petra Frederick	Staff Liaison, City of Maple Ridge
Jackie Senchyna	Staff Liaison, City of Pitt Meadows
Amanda Grochowich	Planner, Community Planning
Sabina Chand	Committee Clerk

ABSENT

Michael Biggar	Member at Large, Maple Ridge
Tara Abraham	Fraser Health

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2020-014

It was moved and seconded

That the September 17, 2020 Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

R/2020-015

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Municipal Advisory Committee on Accessibility and Inclusiveness dated June 18, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1. Community Planning Ongoing Initiatives

Amanda Grochowich provided an update on the housing needs report and social services inventory and gap analysis and responded to questions and comments from the Committee.

5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. 2nd Event/ Workshop

Staff Liaison provided an update on upcoming virtual workshops and events.

5.2. 2021 Membership Recruitment

The Committee Clerk provided information on how membership recruitment will operate in fall 2020.

5.3. 2021 Business Planning

Petra Frederick provided an update on the 2020-2021 deliverables and asked members for their feedback.

R/2020-16

It was moved and seconded

That a “Work Plan Task Force” including Petra Frederick, Laurie Geschke, Carolina Echeverri, Jackie Senchyna and Councillor Meadus be created to develop the 2021 Work Plan.

CARRIED

Note: Mike Murray left at 4:59 pm

6. LIAISON UPDATES

6.1 City of Pitt Meadows

The Pitt Meadows Staff Liaison provided an update on the reopening of programs and facilities at the Pitt Meadows Recreation Centre

6.2 City of Maple Ridge

Councillor Meadus provided a brief recap on the outdoor summer activities/events and highlighted safety guidelines for the reopening of the City's recreation centre. Discussion ensued around inclusive recreation, for those with disabilities should be accommodated with appropriate time limits. Maple Ridge Staff Liaison provided information on a new yoga wellness program designed to assist participants with anxiety and pain.

R/2020-17

It was moved and seconded

That a budget of up to \$500 be approved for the Maple Ridge Yoga Wellness Program until December 31, 2020.

CARRIED

7. SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE UPDATES

7.1. 2020 MACAI Awards

Maple Ridge Staff Liaison advised that nominations for 2020 have closed and winners will be announced shortly at a future Council meeting.

7.2 Age-Friendly Subcommittee

Don Mitchell provided an update on current initiatives to support and educate senior residents during the COVID-19 pandemic.

8. ROUNDTABLE

Committee members shared information on relevant events and activities.

R/2020-018

It was moved and seconded

That the tentative meeting date of October 8, 2020 at 4:30 pm be removed from the 2020 MACAI meeting schedule.

CARRIED

9. QUESTION PERIOD – Nil

10. ADJOURNMENT – 5:47 PM

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Agricultural Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday, February 25, 2021 at 7:00 pm.



Laurie Geschke, Chair

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