



City of Port Moody

Minutes

Seniors Focus Committee

Minutes of the meeting of the Seniors Focus Committee held on Thursday, July 4, 2019 in the Brovold Room.

Present

Councillor Amy Lubik, Vice-Chair
Yolanda Broderick
Ruth Cox
John Crowther
Paulette Gurski
Malcolm Harkness
Yvonne Harris
Connie Meisner
Tonny Scholten

Absent

Councillor Zoë Royer, Chair (Regrets)

In Attendance

Joji Kumagai – Manager of Economic Development
Liam McLellan – Social Planner
Jennifer Mills – Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

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1.1 The Vice-Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Adoption of Minutes

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2.1 SFC19/015

Moved, seconded, and CARRIED

THAT the minutes of the Seniors Focus Committee meeting held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 be amended by removing “only” in Item 4.1 – Work Plan Discussion;

AND THAT the minutes of the Seniors Focus Committee meeting held on Thursday, June 6, 2019 be adopted as amended.

3. Unfinished Business

4. New Business

Clarke Street Revitalization Initiative

4.1 Presentation: Joji Kumagai, Manager of Economic Development Attachments:

- a) Clarke Street Revitalization Committee Presentation
- b) Clarke Street Revitalization Project Charter

The Manager of Economic Development gave a presentation on the Clarke Street Revitalization Project and sought the Committee's input. The Committee suggested the following ideas:

- ensure there are opportunities and support for small businesses;
- create a theme for the Clarke Street area, such as the Golden Spike Era, to attract tourists;
- improve accessibility for foot traffic by installing more crosswalks and maintaining sidewalks;
- create connections from other patronized areas such as Rocky Point Park;
- create an inclusive environment by ensuring entrances, pathways, corridors, doors, and washrooms are accessible;
- promote heritage by including historical information on locations and buildings;
- research other boutique style areas, such as Fort Langley, Ladysmith, Chemainus, and Qualicum Beach, which have undergone successful revitalizations and have incorporated design elements such as murals, outdoor furniture, flowers, and shrubbery; and
- upgrade and promote Queens Street Plaza with art, music, and culture, thereby creating a family-friendly gathering area.

The Manager of Economic Development thanked the Committee for their input and left the meeting at this point and did not return.

Work Plan Schedule

4.2 The Vice-Chair noted that Ken Kuhn and Ronald Gordon have tendered their resignations with the Committee.

The Social Planner provided an overview of the approved 2019 Seniors Focus Committee Work Plan noting that focus will be placed on the trail accessibility study, the age-friendly plan, and the Seniors Centre field trip. The Social Planner added the following:

- a field trip to the south side of Shoreline Trail will be arranged for August; the goal will be to provide suggestions for the north side work which has yet to begin;

- the Seniors Centre field trip in the fall may include visits to Guildford Recreation Centre, Maple Ridge Seniors Activity Centre, Wilson Centre, and Glen Pine Pavilion; Committee members are encouraged to visit centres not on the list and report back to the Committee.

The Social Planner distributed a Seniors Centre assessment form and Committee members requested that the following questions be added to the form:

- what are the ratios of staff to volunteers;
- where are volunteers sourced from;
- what would staff change about the building;
- what staff training has been the most useful; and
- what languages are programs offered in.

Age-Friendly Plan Update

4.3 The Social Planner provided an update on the progress of the Age-Friendly Plan and noted the following:

- Kate Milne of Cardea Health has been selected as the Consultant and will be guiding the process of developing the survey and consolidating the results;
- the Age-Friendly Steering Committee and the Seniors Focus Committee will be responsible for conducting the in person promotion of the survey;
- Communications will be promoting the survey through newspaper advertisements and the City website, and at locations where seniors programming exists;
- the survey will be available for a six-week period;
- Fraser Health will also be promoting the survey; and
- the Age-Friendly Steering Committee still has openings for members.

The Social Planner noted that the survey results will be collated under eight themes for the Seniors Focus Committee to consider. Once the Committee has studied and prioritized the items, a report will be submitted to Council for work to begin.

Committee members provided the following feedback for the survey:

- ensure isolated seniors are surveyed by developing an outreach program;
- target residential seniors housing and community centres to create awareness; Strata Councils, Facebook discussion groups, Port Moody Focus, The Club, The Walking Group, and the Fencing Club were noted as important contacts; and
- create the survey in multiple languages and ensure cultural differences are incorporated.

**Trail Accessibility
Study**

- 4.4 The Social Planner provided an overview of the improvements that have been completed on the south side of the Shoreline Trail and noted that feedback from the Seniors Focus Committee would be valuable for determining the upgrades to the north side of the Trail.

The Social Planner noted that an email will be sent out to Committee members with the goal of forming a Working Group to walk the south side of the Trail in late August and provide feedback for improvements that could be incorporated on the north side of the Trail.

5. Information


**Seniors Focus
Committee Member
Terms**

- 5.1 Memo: Committee Coordinator, dated June 27, 2019

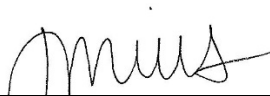
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6. Adjournment

The Vice-Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:41pm.



Councillor Amy Lubik,
Vice-Chair



Jennifer Mills,
Committee Coordinator