

Minutes of a Meeting of the Regional Housing Advisory Committee

September 24, 2020, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Microsoft Teams

PRESENT: Kerriann Coady, David Corey, Lindsay Millburn, Bruce Anderson, Bill Brown, Sharon Hvozdanski, Jim Hartshorne, Kelly Roth, Kathy Whitcher, Danella Parks, Danielle Deni, Leah Stohmann, Michel Turcotte

GUESTS:

STAFF: Kevin Lorette, John Reilly, Jerry Michael (recorder)

REGRETS: Jarret Matanowitsch, Sharon Hvozdanski, Kaye Melliship, Matthew Baldwin (Alternate attended), Malcolm McNaughton

Meeting called to order at 2:02pm.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 2:03pm. Co-Chair Kerrian Coady welcomed all RHAC members after a pause in meetings due to COVID-19.

2. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by David Corey, **SECONDED** by Kelly Roth.

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. Approval of February 13, 2020 Minutes

MOVED by David Corey, **SECONDED** by Bruce Anderson.

That the minutes from the February 13, 2020 Regional Housing Advisory Committee meeting be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

4. Roundtable - Summary of RHAC Member Priorities

- Concerns expressed about effects of COVID-19 on exacerbating an already precarious housing situation in the region.
- Initiatives were shared around prevention of further homelessness, and some of the response from different levels of government and partners.
- Committee members shared some of the regional and economic pressures being faced in development and construction.

5. Business Arising

CRD staff are approaching Malcolm McNaughton to bring bonding issue to District Planning Advisory Committee to look at this from a policy perspective.

6. Presentations for Discussion

Definition of Affordability presentation provided by John Reilly sharing income levels published by BC Housing.

Innovations to address impacts of COVID-19 on Development Approvals by Kerriann Coady

- CRD Staff shared findings from surveying DPAC group, innovations included online or electronic meetings, delegation of authority to hold public hearings to expedite process, or waving of requirement of public hearing.
- Hope is municipalities will continue doing meetings online for equity.

RHAC Priorities in a rapidly changing environment

- Suggested coordinated information system/ source for what is going on in the region to address homelessness with the CRD playing a role.
- **7. Next Meeting** December 10, 2020 from 2:00-4:00pm
- 8. Adjournment

MOVED by Kelly Roth, SECONDED by Lindsay Millburn.

That the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 3:53 pm.