

Present:

Chair – Councillor Steele
Councillor Starchuk
K. Weber, BC Realty Board
M. Drozda
Dr. B. Lalli
S. McIntosh, Seniors Come Share
J. Schmalz, BC CEAS
K. Noonan, COSCO

Absent:

M. Cross
R. Cross
S. Jahan-Chaudhary
A. Rutherglen
D. Darrell
L. Lange
A. Sharma

Staff Present:

S. Tosdevine-Tataryn, Community Services Coordinator,
North Surrey
J. Tyler, Manager - Fraser Heights/Guildford Recreation
Centre
K. Huffer, Community Development. Assistant
A. Gill, RCMP Dist. 3, CSO
T. Dykeman, Surrey Fire Services
K. Fry, Deputy Chief, Surrey Fire Services
C. Craig, Legislative Services

Guests:

G. Van Gauthier

J. Schmalz arrived at 9:12 a.m.

A. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. The minutes of the Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee meetings of September 9, 2014 and November 4, 2014 be adopted, and the notes of January 6, 2015 to be received.

It was

Moved by K. Noonan

Seconded by M. Drozda

That the minutes of the Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee meetings of September 9, 2014 and November 4, 2014 be adopted, and that the notes of January 6, 2015 be received.

Carried

B. DELEGATION**C. OUTSTANDING BUSINESS**

1. **Transportation and Mobility Resource Brochure**

The following comments were made:

- This brochure will be a trifold pamphlet that will be distributed throughout City of Surrey facilities and information racks. Marketing will begin to design the brochure by March 10, 2015.
- Staff will bring a draft of the brochure design to the SAAC for approval.
- The City of Surrey has taken a strong position on transportation which will be reflected in this brochure. The transportation plan is good for seniors, and

good for those people who have problems getting places without vehicles. Information sessions will also be hosted in each of the town centres, as well as information will be put in the senior's newsletters.

2. **Seniors Come Share Society & City Partnership North Area Office**

The following comments were made:

- The Seniors Come Share Society recently signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the City of Surrey (Parks, Recreation & Culture) for off-site space at Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre. Having an official City partnership will enable a smoother operation for working together to provide services for seniors in the City's facilities. The City desires to increase and build on the services that are offered to seniors in City facilities.
- Seniors can benefit from the Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) which helps seniors prepare income tax and benefit returns.

3. **BC Housing Collaboration Update**

Staff noted that the mobile outreach sessions in 2014 were successful, and collaboration will continue into 2015.

4. **Conference - Aging in Place and Seniors Week**

The following comments were made:

- The conference will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2015 at Fleetwood Community Centre. Staff encouraged the Committee to be involved in the planning of this conference, as well as give input regarding the direction of the conference (keynote speakers, etc.). Seniors Week will be June 7 - 13, 2015.
- The focus of this year's conference will be on transportation and mobility.
- Staff will send an invite to the Committee for the upcoming conference planning meeting.

D. **NEW BUSINESS**

1. **Focus on Seniors Forum - Grace Community Church**

The following comments were made:

- Grace Community Church will be hosting the first Seniors Forum on Thursday, April 16, 2015. This will be a mini-version of a conference with a variety of different workshop sessions. A health-focused forum has been requested. Staff will send more information to the Committee.
- Dates for additional forums were noted: April 11 (Cloverdale) and September 19 (Chuck Bailey Recreation Centre). The direction and focus of these forums is still to be determined.

- A half-day planning session (working lunch) will be planned for Tuesday, February 24, 2015 from 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. at the Nature Centre, in order to discuss the purpose and plan of the Committee for 2015. Staff will set up an agenda in conjunction with the Chair, and will arrange for an external facilitator.

2. 2015 Schedule of Meeting Dates for Adoption

The memo from the City Clerk, regarding proposed 2015 Meeting Dates, was reviewed. The Chair noted that the September 1, 2015 meeting date should be moved to a later date, or at the call of the Chair.

It was
Moved by S. McIntosh
Seconded by K. Weber
That the Seniors Advisory and Accessibility
Committee receive and adopt the Proposed 2015 Meeting Dates.
Carried

E. ITEMS REFERRED BY COUNCIL

F. CORRESPONDENCE

G. INFORMATION ITEMS

H. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Verbal Updates

- Surrey Firefighters conducted a series of fire safety sessions in various seniors' residential complexes where attendance was mandatory.
- Upcoming sessions for mature drivers were noted: April 22 (Fleetwood), May 2 (Guildford) and June 9 (Cloverdale).
- The transportation and mobility meeting will be held on February 17, 2015 from 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. Staff to send more information to the Committee.
- Ongoing Elder Abuse training sessions with staff are underway in 2015, with M. Drozda as the lead trainer. If any Committee members have pertinent stories to share, please contact staff or M. Drozda.

I. NEXT MEETING

The next Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 3, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in 2E Community Room A.

J. ADJOURNMENT

It was

Moved by S. McIntosh
Seconded by K. Weber
That the Seniors Advisory & Accessibility

Committee meeting do now adjourn.

Carried

The Seniors Advisory & Accessibility Committee adjourned at 10:57 a.m.

Jane Sullivan, City Clerk

Chairperson, Councillor Steele