



Garibaldi Ridge

Community Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes - Thursday, January 9th, 2020

Location: 22548 Royal Crescent Avenue, Maple Ridge BC - 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Representatives in attendance:

- Coast Mental Health
- BC Housing;
- City of Maple Ridge;
- Fraser Health;
- Community Members x 2
- 1 invited guest

Chair and note taker: Coast Mental Health

Review of last meeting's minutes from the November 21st, 2019 were reviewed by the committee and approved by L. M. and F.T.

Amendment from W.M. identifying increased street activity in the general neighboring area.

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Follow-up</u>
Review of neighborhood feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMH reaching out to the Legion House on the same street to discuss neighborhood concerns. • Noticeable police presence at Garibaldi Ridge and MR Modular sites. • Documenting number of times RCMP are on site versus number of violent incidents requiring police involvement. • When the police are releasing their number of files it does not necessarily reflect the number of incidents on site. • Mandatory 48 hour wellness checks contribute to Missing Persons Reports. • Police visits may be generated by tenants living in the building. • False fire alarms have contributed to more emergency services being on site. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CMH to keep communicating when there is a large emergency response presence on site to the City of Maple Ridge so staff of the city can release an official and informed statement.
Program Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 tenants on Opioid Replacement Therapy to support transitioning off illicit Narcotics. • 8 clients part of honorarium clean team program. • 1 client waiting to access detox at Creekside with support from Garibaldi staff. • Garibaldi hosting Fraser River Indigenous Society group programs. • 1 tenant has independently maintained part time employment at a local community business. • A full Christmas dinner was served mid-December to clients including gifts, music and plenty of donations from community partners. • Staff of Garibaldi Ridge supported 15 tenants to access Friends in Need Food Bank. • Medical: GP on site weekly as well as nursing funding from BC Housing. 	

<p>Updates and discussions from committee representatives</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Maple Ridge – Pool/Leisure Centre opening after renovations. February 7th soft opening. Grand opening February 25th. • Community Member – Street activity still being noticed in the neighborhood. Behaviours observed include vandalism, theft, open drug use and defecation. • Fraser Health – Role of FH consultant is to partner with BC Housing to develop housing strategies to support marginalized people and help them access health services. • Question about evictions from community member – There is a process with BC Housing, ICM Team. Try to put a future date for eviction unless extreme violence is involved. CMH partners with local shelters. Makes every effort not to evict. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Give CMH clients a chance to succeed in that environment. Explore low cost swimming times and providing towels. Integrate clients in the community through the Leisure Centre in a respectful manner. Introduce a swimming program at CMH with staff accompaniment. Ensure clients understand the rules, rights and code of conduct of Leisure Centre.
<p>Action items and next steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Determine location of meeting minutes posted. • How to better share information with RCMP/Fire Department • Re: Increased street activity in the neighborhood – Request for concrete examples and specific incidences including dates and times to allow for a better follow up from Coast and police. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clarification: CAC general information can be shared but no names are to be used.
<p>Next meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday, February 13th, 2020 	