



Garibaldi Ridge

Community Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes – October 8th, 2020

Location: Zoom Meeting - 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Representatives in attendance:

Coast Mental Health
 FRIS
 Community Members (2)

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Follow-up</u>
CAC Guest Revision	Reviewed the revisions to the guests accessing the CAC meetings and agreed to the revisions	To be added to the Terms of Reference (Coast Mental Health)
Community Safety Meeting	Reviewed new process where Fire, RCMP, and Bylaws will be attending a safety meeting with Coast, and concerns can be brought to the safety group by CAC Members. Any updates from the Safety Meeting will be reviewed at CAC, if needed.	
Review of neighborhood feedback	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Still see people in the vacant lot area and Coast calls RCMP and Bylaws when issues arise. 2. Feedback from Elementary school is that they are not seeing needles in their area. Some garbage from time to time. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Principal will connect with Coast is any issues with needles or garbage arises, to see about supports from Clean Team.

	<p>3. See increase in activity of people coming through to site, and may be due to weather changes.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coast continues to work with RCMP for issues that arise on site with guests.
<p>Program Report</p>	<p>Reviewed success story that signifies purpose of GR program, young man active in his use, working with Staff, went to detox, treatment/2nd stage housing to maintain his sobriety, got work in construction industry, returning to school and living independently in market housing.</p> <p>Also reviewed Client who spoke to the Premier, about his personal journey of recovery from homelessness – not using ‘hard drugs’, dignity of being able to work again, employment as a security guard and rebuilding his life. In addition, that Client brought to the meeting with the Premier his own ideas of how to address homelessness.</p> <p>Discussed the current placement of 4th year Nursing students from UBC School of Nursing at all 3 of our Maple Ridge locations a chance to provide future practitioners with an opportunity to understand the population group served.</p> <p>Mentioned upcoming Flu Clinic for clients and Volunteer from Maple Ridge wanting to make a difference and that Art Program is set to begin on Oct. 26th.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GR would welcome donations of items to provide to ‘new’ clients such as toiletries • Any donation of art supplies would also be welcomed
<p>Updates and discussions from committee representatives</p>	<p>Questions from Committee Members:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Are we aware of any new housing coming up? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Coast has no update or knowledge of this 2. How do transfers between sites work? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Transfers may occur on a case by case basis, depends on circumstances of each individual and the issue that has occurred (safety). 3. When eviction occur, how are the clients supported when moved out? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Staff work with clients to provide alternative housing b. Referrals to outreach teams or other community connections c. This is a long transition at times for move out and client is worked with until the move out date occurs. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coast Mental Health to work on sharing more success stories at the CAC and into other communication areas. • Coast Mental Health to connect with business group that wants to do pay it forward day.

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. It is good to give stories of success from the site and it would be good to hear more of those, to share out into the community. 5. Member works for a company that does “pay it forward days” and would like to look to volunteer some time. (Jason to connect with Volunteer Coordinator) 6. How is Coast doing with COVID-19 and its precautions? <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. No positives from any of our sites, working with health authorities and ensuring to follow and update protocols. 	
Next meeting	December 3rd, 2020 from 3pm-4:30pm, via Zoom	