



MOUNT WADDINGTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

September 17, 2019 Minutes

Following the Regional District of Mount Waddington Board of Directors Meeting
Board Room, RDMW Administrative Office, 2044 McNeill Road, Port McNeill, BC

Present: Andrew Hory (Chair) and Directors Sandra Daniels, James Furney, Rod Sherrell, Kevin Cameron, Gaby Wickstrom, Dennis Dugas, Alternate - John Tidbury
Staff: Greg Fletcher, Lisa Crabe
Media: None
Public: Angela Smith, MW Health Network Coordinator

Resolution No. **CALL TO ORDER** **Time 4:35 PM**

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of September 17, 2019 MWRHD Meeting Agenda.

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THAT the September 17, 2019 MWRHD Meeting agenda be approved as presented.

B. DELEGATIONS – None

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the MWRHD Meeting held July 16, 2019.

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THAT the July 16, 2019 MWRHD meeting minutes be approved as presented.

D. CORRESPONDENCE – None

E. REPORTS –

1. Mount Waddington Regional Hospital District Audit (Written report dated September 17, 2019)
 - Report from the Treasurer, Financial Statements have been completed and have been sent to MNP LLP to do the audit and should be completed by the next Board Meeting

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THAT the Report from Treasurer, dated September 17, 2019 be received and filed.

F. BYLAWS – None

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

H. HEALTH NETWORK BUSINESS – Verbal Update from Coordinator

1. Mount Waddington Health Network Coordinator – July Update
 - *Visit from Rural Site Visit Project, recommendation from the Joint Standing Committee that they look into health considerations and concern in rural areas and will be visiting all regions throughout the Province approximately 230 visits*
 - *Significant project going on over 4 years*
 - *Timeline of what they are planning on accomplishing for the province and the rural health care concerns*
 - *Emerging themes, Transportation, Support, Population, Demographics, Correspondence and Relationship, Patient Capacity*

- where we are at with housing, a new one for Seniors Digital Literacy and a new one as of this morning concerning the foundry which is the youth organization that helps youths from ages 12 to 24.
- There are 8 foundries throughout the Province, and they are looking at outputting more in our region
- Foundries are funded through the Province, MCFD wants to see it in our community, they provide supporting data and warrants that this facility is warranted and needed in the community, because of things like poverty and substance abuse that are specifically challenging
- Met Monday to discuss the proposal to update the 2012 Addiction and Recovery Services Plan, an Addiction & Recovery Services Plan resulted in the extreme weather shelter in Port Hardy, the Assessment Centre
- Been engaged with First Nations Health Authority regarding managed alcohol programs
 - Potentially dividing the island into 3 zones Victoria, Mid island and North island opportunities
 - Colleen salter is leading that charge and non profit organizations are working with her
 - Sent a delegation in June to Ambrose House to learn more about managed alcohol and how we create places to help people get out of chronic alcoholism
 - They are not recovery centers, they are associated with housing opportunities for people that are street entrenched and involved in these kinds of behaviors and push them towards healthier choices
- Addiction Recovery Strategy Update. The table of partners approved funding of \$25,000 for update and contingency in the amount of \$25,000 from other projects that hasn't been needed.
- Transportation update. The scope changed and they didn't meet the deadline for the BTN contract transfer, they have now revisited the scope of the project. New focus, with a deadline October 31 working with the BTN expenses, pricing scope, liability, expected outcomes and looking at user groups and how that is actually working and the difference with it being operated by NICS and this new private enterprise.
 - Out of Region transportation has come back to the table. Looking at other models around the province that travel regularly to access medical services out of region, how they are funded
 - Critical look at the BC transit policy, paratransit, handy dart, route expansion for example how many user needed to go to paratransit to handy dart, what are the lines of communication, why is paratransit under utilized
 - How to link existing community and services; looking at how communities are linked, and first nations needs
- Seniors – Have a senior's digital literacy program that is starting in Port Alice in partnership with Vancouver Island Regional Library, community Futures and MWRHD. The library is going to Port Alice 1 hour per week until the end of the year. Mentorship program and electronics training, mastering 1 task is more beneficial
 - Port Alice, the Bank has closed, limited transportation options, training with online banking through a Mentorship program
 - Forum on October 16th for seniors in Port McNeill, inviting seniors' groups to come for discussion regarding end of life, financial affairs, safety issues – Planning Guide Booklet provided by the Province, it is for all adults not just for seniors
- Housing strategy has been completed in draft form; final form not received
- BC Housing recommending that the North Island form a north island housing coalition as a point of contact to represent many organizations.

- BC housing has one, maybe two more intakes remaining in this cycle
- Goal to make the mid 2020 intake
- Solidify communications with external organizations such as Patient Voices and the Community Response Network
 - Community Response Network has provincial funding to try and work with at risk adults
 - Patient voices – have advocates to help them find resources
- October 9, the Island Health Board is coming to north island.
 - Meetings trying to change some of the ways that they communicate to get greater involvement with people who have transportation issues. More organized meetings with prepared information.
 - The Island Health capital project list for the RHD was received in February this year; earlier circulation (ideally, November) would ensure better opportunities for the Health Network and other interested public to have an opportunity for informed input

I. **NEXT MEETING** – October 15, 2019 following the RDMW Board of Directors meeting.

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J. **ADJOURNMENT**

Time 5:10 PM

CHAIR

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