



MOUNT WADDINGTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

December 15, 2020 Minutes

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

Present: In person: Andrew Hory (Chair), Rod Sherrell,
Via Zoom: Directors Dennis Buchanan, Kevin Cameron, Janet Dorward, Dennis Dugas,
James Furney, Sandra MacDonald, Gaby Wickstron
Telecon:
Regrets: None
Staff: In person: Greg Fletcher, Patrick Donaghy.
Via Zoom: Nadine Weldon; Angela Smith – MW Health Network Coordinator
Media: None
Public:

Resolution No. **CALL TO ORDER** **Time 4:10 PM**

The Chair opened the meeting by acknowledging that this meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Kwak'waka speaking peoples.

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of December 15, 2020 MWRHD Meeting Agenda.

056/2020 Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
THAT the December 15, 2020 MWRHD Meeting Agenda be approved as presented

B. DELEGATIONS – NONE

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the MWRHD Meeting held November 17, 2020.

057/2020 Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
THAT the November 17, 2020 MWRHD Meeting Minutes be approved as circulated.

D. CORRESPONDENCE – NONE

E. REPORTS

1. Island Health Capital Management Framework
 - *Part of the bi-annual meeting attended by CAO Greg Fletcher and Chair Andrew Hory on November 25th*
 - *Overview of capital funding sources for Island Health and budget*

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
058/2020 THAT the Island Health Capital Management Framework report be received and filed.

F. BYLAWS - NONE

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 1) **HEALTH NETWORK BUSINESS: Verbal report from Coordinator Angela Smith**
Review of Strategic Planning Process and the 8 major products identified for 2021
 - *Addiction & Recovery Update:*
 - *In relation to 2012 Plan, to include considerations involving Opioid Crisis, COVID considerations, Cultural Safety*

- *Regional Poverty Reduction Strategy*
 - *1 in 5 lives in poverty, with 1 in 3 being single parents*
 - *There is a framework going for this*
 - *Research underway, with a timeline of 12 months for deliverables, strategy plan and expected outcomes*
- *Seniors Database*
 - *Draft database is done which lists seniors organizations including transportation, communication, social isolation, food security*
 - *SEABLAC Committee meets monthly*
 - *A lot of resources for seniors are underutilized, so the database will assist getting the information out to those who would best be served using them*
- *Food Security*
 - *Emergency Food Security Assessment is being lead by Leslie Dyck, to determine why there was a bump in the emergency food use: was it always there and just now being recorded, or is this a new issue? Food boxes are being brought into Alert Bay and Backpack buddies are being accessed in the tri-port area*
- *Housing-Homeless and Housing Security Count*
 - *Working on building off the findings of the housing needs report completed by the Regional District and will be used in collaboration with work with First Nations partners.*
 - *Will be using a methodology established in Northern Alberta which was found to be very quantifiable, includes a five minutes survey. This will include displaced workers.*
 - *Hope is to repeat the housing security count either annually or every 2 years*
- *Health Services Communication Projects*
 - *Not only about communications, but how to have a conversation around needs not being met by local services*
- *Transportation Needs Assessment*
 - *Needs to be discussion around other transportation options than VTN, and additional funding*
- *Cultural & Inclusion Committee*
 - *Initial works provided some interesting conversations and push back*
 - *Slow but steady increase in engagement*
 - *Setting priorities and trying to modify approach to ensure people feel safe accessing services*
- *Children & Youth Committee*
 - *Foundry project is currently looking at possible locations*
- *Setting Priorities*
 - *Always looking to optimize strategic plans, please feel free to contact the Health Network should you have any suggestions for funding or working matters*
- *Review of Reports & Resources including the*
 - *In Plain Site*
 - *Alberta Rural Development Network: Homeless Count Methodology*

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**

THAT the verbal report from Angela Smith – Health Network Coordinator be received and filed.

- Mount Waddington Health Network Minutes – November 4, 2020

059/2020 Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
THAT the November 4, 2020 Mount Waddington Health Minutes be received and filed

It was noted that the work done on the Foundry Project done by Angela Smith and Chris Parker has been extensive and other organizations have reached out to them for assistance with potential applications.

It is hoped that Island Health will rectify their reporting on COVID results for the area, due to the lab mix-up regarding false positives that were reported in Port McNeill. Angela Smith will speak with Alison Mitchell to see if it is possible to have a conversation around this.

The issues around the temporary closure of the Port McNeill Medical Clinic may not come to light as negotiations are currently ongoing with VIHA and Doctors of BC.

2) OTHER BUSINESS – None

3) NEXT MEETING – January 19, 2021 following the RDMW Board of Directors meeting.

060/2020 **J. ADJOURNMENT**

Time 4:45 PM



CHAIR



SECRETARY

