



MOUNT WADDINGTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

December 19, 2023 MEETING AGENDA

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

Page **CALL TO ORDER**

A. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

1. Adoption of December 19, 2023 MWRHD Meeting Agenda as Presented (Or amended)

B. DELEGATIONS & RECOGNITIONS - None

This meeting is taking place on the traditional territory of the Kwak'waka speaking peoples

1. Health Network Housing Project – Angela Smith and Kyla Lee
Report Link: https://drive.google.com/file/d/1HvrWswj_paubBhg4kBKngGeFHvw_VE0w5/view

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

- 2-4 1. Minutes of the MWRHD Meeting held November 21, 2023, as Presented (Or amended)

D. CORRESPONDENCE - None

E. REPORTS

1. VIHA Verbal Report
2. Health Network Coordinator Verbal Report

F. BYLAWS - None

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

H. HEALTH NETWORK BUSINESS

I. NEXT MEETING – January 16, 2024

J. ADJOURNMENT



MOUNT WADDINGTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

November 21, 2023 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), Dennis Buchanan, Pat Corbett-Labatt, Dennis Dugas, Michelle Pottage, Kathryn Wykes
Via Zoom: Kevin Cameron
Staff: Via Zoom: Nicole McDowell, Recording Secretary
Public: John Tidbury

Resolution No. **CALL TO ORDER Time 3:38 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

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
042/2023 THAT the November 21, 2023 MWRHD Meeting Agenda be approved presented.

B. DELEGATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the MWRHD Meeting held October 17, 2023.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
043/2023 THAT the October 17, 2023 Mount Waddington Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

D. CORRESPONDENCE

1. Nanaimo Regional Hospital District Request for Support

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**
044/2023 THAT the Regional District of Mount Waddington Board of Directors provide a letter of support directed to Health Minister Dix for the Nanaimo Regional Hospital District...(as per agenda)

E. REPORTS

- VIHA (Lesly Deuchar, Ian Wood)
 - o *New physician in Port Hardy, working both the Primary Care Centre and the emergency department.*
 - o *The CT Scanner has arrived at the Port Hardy hospital. It still requires accreditation, but it is hoped to start scans around December 6, 2023. It will be a slow start while they work out the bugs. There is a new local tech. They will start CT's without contrast to start. The current schedule is 5 weeks in Port Hardy and then 7 weeks in Victoria.*
 - o *Looking at engagement talks sometime in January, but no definitive dates at this time.*
 - o *There has been engagement with Island Health staff that live and work in the region. This information has been sent to the capital planning team.*

- *Another midwife will be starting in January 2024. She will be the 3rd midwife in the area. Her partner is completing her nursing and is anticipated that she will join the Island Health team on the North Island once her schooling is complete.*
- *Nurses are moving from the east coast and Ontario due to better wages. There will be some waits due to backlog for licensing.*
- *Recruitment/retention for the North Island and Rural/remote areas has necessitated specialized training for nurses. Participants will receive 6 months of specialized training and will require 2 years of service. This is a pilot project initially and has the potential to increase staffing for emergency departments. This training is accredited across Canada, and the Canadian Nursing Association.*
- *Currently the RN specialty practicum program is a paid practicum, but currently the lab practicum is not a paid position.*

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**

045/2023 THAT the Island Health Report be received and filed.

- Health Network:

- *New executive has been appointed for the Health Network*
- *The Terms of Reference have been updated (last done in 2017)*
- *Poll done with the Table of Partners was done to move the meetings to the 2nd Wednesday of each month.*
- *The Community Developer position has been posted by Island Health. At this time, its not clear how this conduit is going to unfold. The Island Health Network Coordinators as a whole have sent a letter to Island Health Authority asking for clarification on this position and the salary around this position as funding is always a need for the Health Networks programming and partners.*
- *Relationship building ongoing.*

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**

THAT the Health Network Coordinator Report be received and filed.

Additional:

BC Ambulance has announced that they are going back to a Kilo model, which is an on call only at a rate of \$12.00/hour while on call. This is not a living wage and will make it difficult to attract and retain ambulance attendants for the community and island as a whole.

Director Pottage:

- Requesting a letter of support to the Minister of Health for a mixed shift model for BC Ambulance to ensure that Ambulance services can continue on Malcolm Island.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**

THAT the Regional District of Mount Waddington provide a letter of Support for a mixed shift model for BC Ambulance on Malcolm Island.

F. BYLAWS – None

G. COMMITTEE REPORTS - None

H. HEALTH NETWORK BUSINESS - None

NEXT MEETING – December 21, 2023 following the RDMW Board of Directors meeting.

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I. ADJOURNMENT

Time 4:10 PM

CHAIR

SECRETARY