



# MOUNT WADDINGTON REGIONAL HOSPITAL DISTRICT

## May 21, 2024 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, Dennis Dugas, James Furney, Michelle Pottage, David Summers, John Tidbury, Alternate for Pat Corbett-Labatt, Brent Schmidt, Alternate for Kathryn Wykes  
Via Zoom: Kevin Cameron  
Staff: Via Zoom: Nadine Weldon, Recording Secretary  
Public:

Resolution No. **CALL TO ORDER Time 3:26 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**  
024/2024 THAT the May 21, 2024 MWRHD Meeting Agenda be approved presented.

### B. DELEGATIONS & RECOGNITIONS - None

### C. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the MWRHD Meeting held April 16, 2024.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**  
025/2024 THAT the April 16, 2024 Mount Waddington Regional Hospital District Meeting Minutes be adopted as presented.

### D. CORRESPONDENCE – None

### E. REPORTS

- VIHA (Dave Boychuk)
  - Considerable work going on with planning and design for the Port Hardy and Port McNeill hospitals revamp. At this time, it is not anticipated that the MWRHD Board will receive a request for funding.
  - The Stat housing project in Port Hardy is underway.
  - Ongoing search for administrative space in Port Hardy.

Question:

**Director Dugas:** Formal request for the travelling MRI unit to come to Port Hardy.

**VIHA (Dave Boychuk):** At this time, the unit is at maximum capacity.

**Chair Hory:** It was the understanding of the Board that the unit was previously travelling between Duncan and Port Alberni. Consider that Port Alberni now has a permanent unit. The North Island would like to step in and take the spot Port Alberni's vacated or be first on the list due to the excessive travel that is required of North Island residents to access this service.

**VIHA (Dave Boychuk):** I will follow up with my colleagues and advise.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**  
026/2024 THAT the Island Health Report be received and filed.

2. Health Network (Marjorie Greensides)

- Met with David Kim and Dennis Buchanan to move forward on the Transportation Committee. The plan is to address gaps in rural transit.
- Happy to announce the Grant from Island Health for Community Wellness Grant in the amount of \$12,000 for World Café Wellness Forum. Each day will have education as well as healing workshops.
  - o There will also be a total of 20 booths based around community engagement and education.
  - o On June 25 – 2-4pm and June 26 – 4-7. Mornings of June 26 will be reserved for service providers. There will be three days open for the public. Examples of some of the workshops include;
  - o “Shift BC: Countering Radicalization to Violence Using a Public Health Approach”, this workshop will be held at the Kwa’lilas Hotel. There will also be an unveiling of the Karto Database program for the region designed for Social Service providers, to be launched on June 25<sup>th</sup> at the Civic Centre. The full schedule and invitations will be sent out by Friday, May 24, 2024.
- The Housing and Homelessness survey data collection has been completed. The data will now be put together for BC Housing and will include some additional information that came in and is specific to the Regional District, including the added pressure of housing options being limited by the influx of professionals. It is hoped that the final compilation will be complete and ready for the June RDMW Board meeting.
- SEABLAC will be holding an in person meeting on May 27 at the Old School in Port McNeill.
- There will be a Community Health Network Learning Day on September 25 and will include all Health Network Community Health Developers as well as Regional District representatives.
- Social media is going well, latest numbers have Impressions up 56% and Reach up 13% since April.

Moved/Seconded/**CARRIED**

027/2024 THAT the Health Network Coordinator Report be received and filed.

**F. BYLAWS - None**

**G. COMMITTEE REPORTS – None**

**NEXT MEETING** – June 18, 2024 following the RDMW Board of Directors meeting.

028/2024 **H. ADJOURNMENT**

**Time 3:49 PM**

CHAIR

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER