RIDGE MEADOWS SENIORS SOCIETY Board Meeting held Wednesday, May 25, 2022 at 9:00 am

Maple Ridge Seniors Activity Centre 12150 224th Street, Maple Ridge, B.C., V2X 3N8

PRESENT: Don Mitchell (President), Fran Preston (Vice President), Richard Newman (Treasurer), Cindy Juker (Director), Susan Schenkeveld (Director), Carla Reed (Director).

STAFF: Maria Perretta (Executive Director)

LIAISONS: Councillor Judy Dueck (Maple Ridge), Tony Cotroneo (Manager, Recreation Services for Maple Ridge)

REGRETS: Councillor Bob Meachen (Pitt Meadows), Bobbi Duncan (Secretary), Jackie Senchyna (Recreation Program Service Coordinator, Pitt Meadows)

- 1.0 Call to order at 9:01 am.
- 2.0 Approval of the agenda. Add correspondence received.

MOTION: Cindy Juker moved that the Agenda be approved with the noted addition. Seconded by Richard Newman. **CARRIED**

- 3.0 Approval of the minutes of May 4, 2022. Request to amend the minutes related to item 4.0 to read congratulatory note, rather than a thank you note. Item 5.1 to read inter modul, rather than inter mogal, and Paid on Call fire fighters, rather than career fire fighters.

 MOTION: Fran Preston moved that the minutes be approved with the corrections. Seconded by Cindy Juker. CARRIED
- 4.0 Correspondence from Golden Ears Go Go's was received in the form of a thank you note related to the use of the Maple Ridge Seniors Activity Centre covered walkway for their recent garage sale.
- 5.0 Budget 2022-2023. Budget approved at the Closed Board meeting on May 4th needs to be published for the membership. It was noted that we are in a deficit position at this point in time.
- 6.0 Reports
 - 6.1 Liasions:

Judy Dueck:

 Maple Ridge Council carefully reviewing policies related to garden and secondary suites to find creative but appropriate ways to add housing options while still considering neighborhood character, parking realities, community needs, etc.

Tony Cotroneo

Reminder of Seniors Advocate presentation later today in Maple Ridge.

- Expect to have the Albion Community Centre open soon, including an area that could be used as a secondary lobby for meet ups and drop in for youth, seniors and others in the Community.
- There will be opportunities for RMSS to use the common space for meet ups or events such as a pop up coffee shop.
- It was also suggested that the Board could use the facility for its own meetings once it is available.
- Maple Ridge continues to experience staffing challenges.
- The Maple Ridge Parks and Recreation Master plan engagement process to begin soon so keep your eye open as your input will be welcomed. The Accessibility and Inclusiveness framework engagement is also beginning now.

Pitt Meadows report submitted via email from Carleen McDowell.

- Highlights included a reminder about the upcoming Pitt Meadows' day on June 4th, 2022. There is a wait list for field exhibitors, and the Parade is still accepting entries. Entertainment will be happening until 7 pm.
- Preliminary plans for the Harris Road Athletic Park washroom replacement and possible Art Gallery relocation received by Council. More information is available on line at the City's website.
- Pitt Meadows will be hosting its first Pride event on June 16th at 7 pm at Spirit Square.
- Racquet Court resurfacing at PM Athletic Park to take place at the end of July and will result in 6 dedicated Pickle Ball courts and 2 tennis courts.
- All are welcome to participate at helping to remove Invasive Plants at MacLean Park on May 28th between 945 am and 1 pm, rain or shine. Tools and refreshments will be provided. No experience is necessary to participate.

6.2 Maria Perretta, Executive Director

- Seniors Week music concerts June 7- MR; June 9 PM Cost of tickets is \$5 and some tickets are still available.
- Variety Plus Show May 27/28, tickets \$8. Unmasked back after 2 years. Tickets are still available for purchase.
- Because of increased gas prices, volunteer drivers to be provided \$10 return as of May 15th.
 A small jump in reimbursement for drivers will also be undertaken for longer haul trips.
- Working on new prices for beer and wine sales at the Maple Ridge Centre.
- The Committee has met to figure out the plan for refreshing the Pitt Meadows Seniors Centre using the New Horizons grant. It is expected that a plan will be provided to the Board for review in June.
- 6.3 Finance: Richard reviewed the statements. Membership numbers are a bit down at the moment. Will need to monitor the food prices and sales.

6.4 Committees:

6.4.1 Policies and Procedures. Discussion of drafted Election Campaigning Policy. Suggestion to add the School Board to the scope section within the list of applicable Individuals and Groups, not just in the "Elections" section.

MOTION: Richard Newman moved that the Policy document be approved as amended. Seconded by Fran Preston. **CARRIED**

6.4.2. Duck Race. Fran provided an update on ticket sales. Sales appear to be slower than last year. Still seeking more volunteers from the Board to help with the sales. It was noted that the process to complete the information on line is a bit cumbersome and time consuming.

7.0 Unfinished Business

It was noted that the Seniors Dance party made the local newspaper.

The Housing/Bus Committee needs to review the Industry's proposal next week..

8.0 New Business - None

Adjournment

MOTION: Cindy Juker moved that the meeting be adjourned at 1015 am. Seconded by Richard Newman. **CARRIED**

Don Mitchell (President)

Susan Schenkeveld (A/Secretary)

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