

RIDGE MEADOWS SENIORS SOCIETY

Open Board Meeting held Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025 at 09:30 am
Pitt Meadows Seniors Activity Centre,
19065 119b Ave., Pitt Meadows, B.C. V3Y 0E6

PRESENT: Karen Hjort-Olsen, Bobbi Duncan, Patricia Gordon, Margaret Attwell, Deborah Jamieson, Leslie Carnie

STAFF: Maria Perretta (Executive Director)

LIAISONS: Tony Cotroneo (Manager of Community Recreation Maple Ridge), Jackie Didrikson (Recreation Program Service Coordinator)

REGRETS: Kathy Baxter (on leave)

1.0 Meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m.

2.0 Approval of the agenda

MOTION: Bobbi Duncan moved the agenda be approved as presented.
Seconded by Leslie Carnie. **CARRIED.**

3.0 Approval of the minutes

MOTION: Leslie Carnie moved the minutes be approved. Seconded by Deborah Jamieson. **CARRIED**

4.0 Reports

4.1 Liaisons

Jackie Didrikson (Pitt Meadows)

- Grabenhorst Gardens opening TBA Summer 2025
 - Full time caretaker on site
 - Programs being planned
- New Disc Golf official opening TBA Summer 2025
- Family Day events held at Family Rec Centre were a big success
- Easter and Pitt Meadows Day planning in full swing

Tony Cotroneo (Maple Ridge)

- Two new ice rinks announced to be built at Planet Ice
- New Rec Centre in Hammond area to be announced soon
- Family Day events held at Albion Rec Centre had 800 residents attend
- New program 'Sports, Conservation and Outdoor Recreation' being created TBA later this year
- Maria and Tony to meet to discuss options to accommodate our growing Chair Fit classes

4.2 Maria Perretta, Executive Director –

- Our application for expression of interest for the TAPS program was accepted in collaboration with Community Services; formal application is next, with March 7 closing date. We should know the outcome by April.
- RMSS was asked to apply again Caregiver Connection and Social Meals
- RMSS is looking at running a shuttle within Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows with various stops ie. Doctors clinics, shopping, etc
- RMSS has secured parking in Meadowtown parking lot between Cineplex and Boston Pizza for our members to park all day when taking our bus trips
- RMSS was invited to the 'Connect Age Group' through SFU to collect data about helping combat isolation among seniors
 - Maria attends monthly meetings
 - The offer was made for us to use SFU students to assist if we ever need to do a survey.
- Maria is meeting with the new ED from Langley Seniors Resource centre.
- Dishwasher in Pitt Meadows centre in need of repair. Discussion around who is responsible for repairs and/or replacement.
- New Parking decals roll out going well; 339 decals assigned so far in Pitt Meadows. Maple Ridge roll out TBA in future.
- MP Marc Dalton presented Bev Schmahmann the King's Coronation award for outstanding community service.

4.3 Finance

- Karen reported that we are on budget

4.4 Maple Ridge Strata

- Fire panel at Maple Ridge has issues and needs replacing

5.0 New Business

5.1 Maple Ridge City Committees

- Social Planning Department is being created which may be an appropriate place for RMSS to offer input or be liaisons

5.2 Renovations – Maple Ridge

- Office space expansion renovations estimates are in but need further details and clarification
- RMSS needs to apply to city for funding and look for grants

5.3 Parking Decals – Maple Ridge

- Looking into assigning parking decals in Maple Ridge in the future

6.0 Old Business

6.1 Seniors Network – Boards Meeting

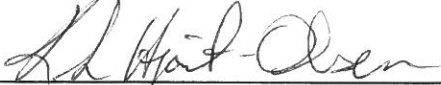
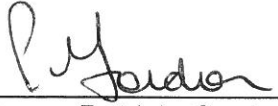
- RMSS board met with new Seniors Network board

- Karen will attend their Housing Committee meetings
- 6.2 Age/Dementia Friendly Communities task force
- Karen and Maria attend this committee

7.0 Adjournment

MOTION: Deborah Jamieson moved to adjourn the meeting.
Seconded by Leslie Carnie. **CARRIED.**

Meeting was adjourned at 10:33 am

 _____ President - Karen Hjort-Olsen	 _____ Secretary - Patricia Gordon	<u>MARCH 20, 2025</u> Date
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