Minutes of the SPECIAL MEETING of the DISTRICT OF MISSION COUNCIL (Workshop on Health and Social Issues) held in the Conference Room of the Municipal Hall, 8645 Stave Lake Street, Mission, British Columbia, on Tuesday, February 3, 2015 commencing at 1:06 p.m.

Council Members Present: Mayor Randy Hawes
Councillor Pam Alexis
Councillor Carol Hamilton
Councillor Jim Hinds
Councillor Rhett Nicholson
Councillor Danny Plecas
Councillor Jenny Stevens

Staff Members Present: Ken Bjorgaard, Chief Administrative Officer
Kirsten Hargreaves, Manager of Social Development
Michael Boronowski, Manager of Civic Engagement & Corporate Initiatives
Tina Penney, Acting Manager of Corporate Administration
Maureen Sinclair, Director of Parks, Recreation and Culture
Christine Brough, Executive Assistant

Presenters/Guests Present: Paul Horn, Mission Healthy Community Council Member and owner of Bootstrap Consulting
Anne Todd, Healthy Community Specialist – Fraser Health Authority
Sanjay Gulati, Executive Director – Mission Community Services Society
Bob Ingram, Representative of the Mission Community Services Society, the Mission Healthy Community Council and the Mission Senior Centre Association
Jaime Nokes, Crime Prevention – Mission RCMP/District of Mission
Jason Boon, Constable – Mission RCMP

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Moved by Councillor Hinds, seconded by Councillor Nicholson, and
RESOLVED: That the February 3, 2015 Special Council Agenda be adopted.
CARRIED
3. NEW BUSINESS

Workshop on Health and Social Issues

Mayor Hawes welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

Mr. Horn provided an overview of the workshop format, noting that the following topics would be covered:

- the history of health and social committees/commissions in Mission;
- the function of social development and information about the Social Development Plan revision scheduled for 2015;
- the function of the Healthy Community Specialist and the role of the Fraser Health Authority;
- the role of Mission Community Services;
- the role of other service providers in the region;
- identified gaps in service;
- the role of the Mission Healthy Community Council and an overview of its mandate;
- an assessment of needs going forward; and
- additional information related to the Stone Soup initiative.

A lengthy discussion ensued on health and social issues with a focus on what has worked, what hasn’t worked and what can be done going forward to build on the successes and address the shortfalls in the current system for the betterment of all members of the community.

Mayor Hawes informed those present of Council’s decision, at the February 2, 2015 Regular Council meeting, to direct staff to organize an educational workshop on all treatment options for substance abuse. For clarity, Council Resolution RC15/059 from the February 2, 2015 Regular Council meeting is as follows:

RECOMMENDED:

1. That an education workshop be coordinated with Mayor and Council on all treatment options for substance abuse, including harm reduction, needle exchange, and abstinence models of treatments prior to a report coming forward from the working group; and

2. That Mark Goheen (Clinical Specialist in Mental Health and Addictions with Fraser Health) in addition to other speakers knowledgeable in the various treatment options, be invited to speak to this subject matter at the proposed workshop.

CARRIED

Mayor Hawes expressed his appreciation to all of the participants for their contribution to the workshop and the wellbeing of the community as a whole.
4. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Hinds, seconded by Councillor Alexis, and
RESOLVED: That the meeting be adjourned.
CARRIED

The meeting was adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

RANDY HAWES
MAYOR

TINA PENNEY
ACTING CORPORATE OFFICER