

# SUPPORTING SOCIAL PLANNING and ACTION in REVELSTOKE

## Social Development Committee Meeting Minutes 8:30 a.m. Wednesday April 28, 2010

**Present:** Nelli Richardson, Tony Scarcella, Mary Kline, Cathy Girling, Susan Knight, Jane McNab, Steve Bailey, Melody Kindret and Cathie Thacker  
**Staff:** Jill Zacharias, Debra Wozniak, Alan Mason  
**Regrets:** Melissa Klages, Linda Chell, Antoinette Halberstadt, Anne Cooper, John Yakielashek & Lory Borges

1. **Call to order** – Chair Nelli Richardson called the meeting to order at 8:35 am.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

**Additions:** BC Action Coalition for Action on Alcohol Reform letter to City Council

**Motion:**

Moved by Steve Bailey and seconded by Melody Kindret to adopt the amended agenda.

**Carried**

3. **Approval of March 31, 2010 Meeting Minutes**

**Correction:** Round table report by Cathy Girling should state that Anne Corrie is leaving Revelstoke in June.

**Motion**

Moved by Mary Kline and seconded by Alan Mason that the amended Minutes of March 31, 2010 be approved.

**Carried**

**Business Arising from the February 24, 2010 Minutes:**

- Tony Scarcella confirmed that social sector committee members have been reappointed and one new public-at-large member appointed to replace Brian Sumner.
- Alan Mason provided an update on Public Transit noting that BC Transit is prepared to offer 1500 more operational hours but the City will have to cost share, there will be a service review in the fall, and that handydart service will be offered for 3 days/week but will also require a potential financial commitment from the City. The additional hours will be reserved until the service review is completed.
- Cathy Girling advised that she has been invited to participate in quarterly meetings to review Income Assistance service issues. They are not implementing any changes to service delivery at this time, although there have been some changes to eligible medical expense claims.

4. **Coordinator's Report** – Jill Zacharias reviewed the Coordinator's report for April 2010 and noted the following additional information:

- Screen Smart activities will be held May 8 – 15, 2010
- Interior Health alcohol and drug addictions services changes are expected
- Next project she will tackle after completing the Substance Use Strategy is to hold a review of the Seniors Action Plan
- The Welcoming and Inclusive Community and Workplaces Program's (WICWP) first workshop will be delayed until the fall.
- WICWP has funding for Jill's time to assist with program implementation.

**6. New Business:**

- Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, May 26, 2010 at 8:30 am.
- Antoinette Halberstadt requested that Jill advise the committee of the status of a request from the BC Action Coalition for Action on Alcohol Reform for political support to regulate (increase) specific alcohol sale prices. Revelstoke City Council referred the matter to the Southern Interior Local Governments Association (SILGA) for discussion but it did not make the agenda for their meeting starting today. Tony Scarcella will get a copy of the information package for committee review.

**7. Round table**

*Steve Bailey* – Revelstoke Mountain Resort will not be operating this summer due to construction congestion, but are planning to open for a few select weekends.

- Chamber of Commerce will be holding a sidewalk sale May 14.

*Cathy Girling*

- Community Connections is holding its annual volunteer recognition luncheon today.
- Community Connections is planning activities for National Hunger Awareness Day on June 1, 2010

*Mary Kline* – Okanagan College received 25 applications for the Revelstoke / Salmon Arm campus program administrator position and interviews start today.

*Alan Mason* – Development permits have been approved for the additional residential units at Mt. Begbie Manor, Moberly Manor units still awaiting approval.

- Revelstoke Community Housing Society will be breaking ground May 3 on its first housing units – a duplex rental project on Oscar Street. Okanagan College residential construction trades training students will be working on the project.
- Environmental Coordinator interviews will start May 10, 2010.

*Jane McNab* – Circulated notes from the CBT Social Committee meeting, next meeting will be in June.

- She is now a Revelstoke Museum director and noted that there are lots of free and interesting activities coming up for Revelstoke residents to participate in.

*Jill Zacharias* – Circulated information about the revised government funding program for families needing to take their children to BC Children's Hospital.

*Nelli Richardson* – Prevention of Violence Against Women held a very active noon hour walk to raise awareness of the issue. This year the high school participated and prepared posters for the walk from RSS to Grizzly Plaza.

- Tomorrow there will be a radio-a-thon to raise funds for five pieces of equipment at Queen Victoria Hospital.
- Hoping for a first draft of the Sexual Assault Protocol to be ready soon for editing by Jill.
- Community Response Network protocol document still needs some work, funding received from Columbia Basin Trust to continue program for this year.

**8. Adjournment** - The meeting was adjourned at 9:25 am.

---

Nelli Richardson, Chair

# Revelstoke Community Social Development Committee Coordinator's Report – April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2010

## 1. Communication, support and coordination

### Contacts:

- Mar 31<sup>st</sup> – Steering committee meeting
- Mar 31<sup>st</sup> – Lunch & Learn event – speaker Melissa Klages on Family Law
- Mar 31<sup>st</sup> – Transit committee meeting
- Apr 6<sup>th</sup> – Mike Kent (Recreation & Recreational Risk Management Coordinator - Freedom Quest Regional Youth Services), telephone meeting
- Apr 6<sup>th</sup> – Nelli Richardson
- Apr 7<sup>th</sup> – Economic Development Commission
- Apr 9<sup>th</sup> – CED forum planning committee
- Apr 12<sup>th</sup> – OC, WICWP
- Apr 14<sup>th</sup> – Nelli Richardson
- Apr 15<sup>th</sup> – PBAC
- Apr 15<sup>th</sup> – New schools open house
- Apr 20<sup>th</sup> – Teleforum (Preventing heavy alcohol use on the part of girls & young women)
- Apr 22<sup>nd</sup> – Dale Morehouse
- Apr 23<sup>rd</sup> – Screen Smart
- Apr 26<sup>th</sup> – ECD
- Apr 27<sup>th</sup> – Tracy Labbie, Interior Health
- Apr 27<sup>th</sup> – CFDC executive

## 2. Supporting our Seniors

- Assisted Seniors Association to submit 2 grant applications – both were successful (New Horizons capital funding for kitchen upgrade at the Seniors Centre; CBT Community Initiatives funding, in part, a Wii system).
- Grit box pilot project moving forward – public works is taking the lead.
- Submitted a grant application to UBCM Seniors Housing & Support Initiative for Age-Friendly project implementation – for a volunteer coordinator at the Seniors Centre. This was successful as well. The volunteer coordinator will be an interim position with 4 goals: develop a volunteer database; re-establish the volunteer driver program; re-establish the ‘good morning’ or ‘seniors link up’ program; and help coordinate computer tutorials. The role of the City will be contract management and coordination support.
- As discussed, I plan to bring together stakeholders before the end of May to review the status of recommendations in the Age-Friendly Plan.
- CFDC is hosting a regional CED Forum on Wed June 16<sup>th</sup> – the topic is Community Planning for lifestyles of an aging population – I will be one of five speakers (Age-Friendly Community Planning).

## 4. Substance Use Strategy

- On schedule – Draft Plan is going to the steering committee this week to review before it goes to public & agency review. Input into the draft is an important step – I will be sending it out via email plus having a session at the community centre TBA.

## 5. Welcoming and Inclusive Communities and Workplaces Program

- Okanagan College was successful in receiving money for Phase 2 and Phase 3 of WICWP. Phase 2 will be a workshop series including cultural awareness/anti-racism, delivering services to ESL families, and understanding the value and supporting the needs of immigrant workers. The first workshop is scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> – look

for upcoming details. Phase 3 will include developing an online ‘one-stop shop’ for newcomers to Revelstoke, and a complimentary ‘Welcome to Revelstoke’ guide – I will be involved in the development of these 2 projects.

## 6. Third Quarter Hours – January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 to April 14<sup>th</sup>, 2010

Date	Task	Soc Dev	Total
<b>Jan 15<sup>th</sup> 2010</b>	Fielding emails/reviewing materials (1.5 hrs/day)	13.5	
	Steering committee meeting (including prep)	4.0	
	Council presentation (including prep)	5.0	
	Substance Use Strategy (steering committee meeting, focus groups, key informant interviews)	11.0	
	Seniors planning (speaker at the centre, assisted with grant application)	4.0	
	Service provider speaker series (Julie Lowes)	3.0	
	Meeting with sector members & groups (CFDC, ECD)	2.0	<b>42.5</b>
<b>Feb /10</b>			
	Fielding emails/reviewing materials (1.5 hrs/day)	28.5	
	Steering Committee meeting (including prep time)	4.0	
	Substance use Strategy (steering committee meeting, interviews, research, RSS parent meeting)	41.5	
	Seniors planning (Age-Friendly Project application)	3.0	
	Service provider speaker series (Cathy Thacker)	2.5	
	Meeting with sector members & groups (housing society, Antidiscrimination group, WCWIP, Kerry Dawson, Tuulikki Tennant, Cathy Thacker, Men’s Services subcommittee, Hospice, John Guenther, OCP Steering committee, CFDC)	17.0	<b>96.5</b>
<b>Mar /10</b>			
	Fielding emails, reviewing material (1.5 hrs/day)	22.5	
	Steering Committee meeting (including prep time)	4.0	
	Substance Use Strategy (steering committee meeting, Lory Borges, Statistical Profile)	42.5	
	Seniors Planning (CNIB event, grant facilitation)	3.0	
	Service Provider Speaker Series (Melissa Klages – Family Law)	2.5	
	Meeting with sector members & groups (Brian Mallet, CBT CI evening, CFDC, SPARC BC, Traction for Action Social Planning Conferences in East & West Kootenays, Screen Smart, ECD planning session, Psychology of Addiction Learning Event, Transit Committee)	17.0	<b>91.5</b>
<b>To Apr 14<sup>th</sup> /10</b>			
	Fielding emails, reviewing materials (1.5 hrs/day)	12.0	
	Substance Use Strategy (teleconference with Mike Kent, Freedom Quest, Lory Borges, statistical profile, draft report)	20.0	
	Meeting with sector members & groups (Nelli Richardson, EDC, OC, CDFC)	3.5	<b>35.5</b>
	<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>		<b>266</b>