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# **COMMUNITY ADVISORY BOARD ON HOUSING & HOMELESSNESS**

#### Minutes

March 16, 2023 / 9:30am - 11:00am / Zoom

VOTING MEMBERS	RESOURCE MEMBERS	ABSENT WITH REGRETS
L. Auger, Board Chair	W. Hughes, Interim Director, Housing & Homeless	J. Manning, Community Member
D. Cardinal, Indigenous	Initiatives	S. Madden, Grande Spirit Foundation
Representative	W. Nekurak, Indigenous Relations Advisor	
G. Savard, ACFA Regionale de	S. Roberts, Programs Assistant (Meeting	
Grande Prairie	Coordinator, Recorder)	
B. Boulanger, Voice for the	M. Scott, Alberta Health Services	
Voiceless	J. Wallis, Senior Program Development	
T. Monro, Domestic Violence	(Government of Canada)	
W. Bosch, Downtown Association	R. Walsh, Program Advisor (Government of Alberta)	
E. Spilchen, Ministerial Assoc.	C. Thiessen City of Grande Prairie Councillor	
	GUEST: T. Wald, Executive Director – Grande Prairie	
	Youth Emergency Shelter	

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER at 9:39 am

## 2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

M. Scott

We acknowledge the homeland of the many diverse First Nations, Métis, and Inuit People whose ancestors have walked this land since time immemorial. We are grateful to work, live and learn on the traditional territory of Treaty 8.

3. PRESENTATION T. Wald

- 3.1 Youth Emergency Shelter
  - 2022 Shelter Program: 127 Intakes
  - Family & Natural Supports: Supported 75 families
  - Integrated Youth Hub: in coordination with other agencies saw nearly 900 youth access various programs/services/referrals
  - Family & Natural Supports currently expanding to offer more prevention services and shelter diversion work. This program will also be integrated with the Youth Housing First team as that is built out
  - New shelter to open in the fall to include 24 shelter beds, 11 bachelor suite apartments, cultural & prayer space, programming & training space, quiet space, etc.

## 4. AGENDA & MINUTE REVIEW

Motion to approve agenda & Minutes as presented

**Approved** 

## 5. OLD BUSINESS

#### 5.1 Review Action Table

Reviewed Action Table as Presented

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Community Engagement Results & Funding Allocation Decision	W. Hughes
Reviewed the community consultations and proposed funding allocations	
6.2 Review Annual Work Plan and 2023/2024 Budget	S. Roberts



Members would like to Keep Connect Day and Memorial Day on the agenda. CABH will form a committee that leads the planning. Add the review of the Terms of Reference (TOR) to the annual work plan.

## **Budget Recommendation For Reaching Home Funding:**

Presented the proposed budget:

Community Kitchen \$ 240,000.00 - Sole Source to GP Friendship Centre
Youth Emergency Shelter \$ 180,000.00 - Sole Source to Sunrise House
Seniors Shelter \$ 121,834.00 - Sole Source o Elders Caring Shelter

o Housing Access Service \$ 23,320.00 – Move contract from OSSI Funding to RH

o **Supportive Housing** \$ 99,119.00 – RFA

Unallocated
\$ 48,178.00 - Potential for GP Friendship Centre for Client Supports

Motion to approve the budget as proposed by G. Savard, seconded by T. Monro

**Approved** 

# 6.3 Discussion Alberta Rallies for Housing

L.Auger

E. Spilchen will take the lead on this initiative, and request that anyone who wants to join the committee reach out via email. E. Spilchen will give an update at the next meeting on the progress of this committee.

#### 7. COMMITTEE UPDATES

#### 7.1 Recruitment Committee Recruitment

E. Spilchen

## 7.2 No UpdateRFP Committee Recruitment

W. Hughes

The City will be looking for volunteers for the RFP process. J. Manning, G. Savard, and J. Wallis have all volunteered to be a part of the RFP Review Committee

#### 8. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

## 8.1 Ministerial Association

E. Spilchen

Working on the Alberta Rallies for Housing on building a committee to support this cause

8.2 Business Sector W. Bosch

There has been an uptick in crime, but it is select. Will be working with the city and the security team to address the issues.

#### 8.3 Voices for the Voiceless

B. Boulanger

No Update

#### 8.4 Domestic Violence

T. Monro

No Update

## 8.5 Francophone Community

G. Savard

The Francophone Month continues with Celebration. G. Savard sits on the GLIP committees and will share the recruitment

8.6 Immigrants Vacant

8.7 Seniors Vacant

8.8 Youth Vacant

8.9 Coordinated Care Campus W. Hughes



February 28 Coordinated Care Campus update shared that there is a supply chain disruption that is delaying the progress, but work is continuing onsite. Demo has started on the North side first and second floors. The tentative date for completion will be moved to Q3 of 2023. The date is subject to change based on the supply chain.

## 8.10 Family and Seniors Housing

**Councilor Thiessen** 

GSF is following up on more consultation for funding and working on an MOU for a potential new build in Grande Prairie. GSF is also working on the potential for a Seniors Living building in the County of Greenview around the Grovedale Area.

#### 8.11 Alberta Health Services

M. Scott

No Update

8.12 Indigenous

L. Auger / D. Cardinal

Friday Spirit Conference at Northwestern Polytechnic 4:00 pm ceremony 5:00 pm dinner and all-day Saturday for youth, everyone is welcome. The Gala committee is planning for the Gala in June

# 9. ROUND TABLE / UPDATES RESOURCE MEMBERS

9.1 City Council Councillor Thiessen

- The Winter Emergency Response Program (mat program) at South Bear Creek, houses 12-15 people being transported to and from the location by Mobile Outreach.
- The Alberta Recovery Capital Summit conference was attended by the city administration. This was a networking and learning opportunity on Recovery Systems of Care.
- The Province announced the budget for a 75-bed addiction treatment center to be built here in the Northwest Region.
- Council's recent decision for a municipal police transition. Policy for establishing a Police Commission coming to Council on Monday. If passed, the city will actively be looking for members of our community to apply to sit on Commission.

#### 9.2 Government of Alberta

R. Walsh

No Update

#### 9.3 Government of Canada

J. Wallis

J. Wallis would like to see a review of the Terms of Reference added to the Yearly Work Plan. J. Wallis will be moving to Infrastructure Canada as of April 3<sup>rd</sup>. The Reaching Home agreement may potentially be amended for our Community Entity (CE). Infrastructure Canada in the future will be initiating discussion around the Indigenous funding stream with the CE. A decision will be made by Infrastructure Canada around the Indigenous funding being directed to Indigenous CEs. J. Wallis will share her new contact information when the information becomes available.

#### 10. NEXT MEETING

Date: April 20th, 2023

Time: 9:30 am - 11: 00 am Location: Via ZOOM -

### 11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 am



2022 – 2023 FUNDED PROJECTS			
PROVINCIAL OSSI FUNDING			
Housing Support Fund Annual	\$ 329,814.51		
2. Scattered Site Adaptive Case Management (2022-2026)	\$ 871,927.00		
3. Housing Access Worker (2022-2024)	\$ 23,320.00		
4. Overflow Mat Program (winter only), (Apr/May 2022)	\$ 62,734.00		
5. Winter Emergency Response Program (Oct-Mar 2023)	\$ 137,266.00		
6. Supportive Housing (support team & time TBD)	\$ 392,200.00		
7. Supportive Housing, 2022-2026	\$ 1,827,448.00		
8. Permanent Supportive Housing Supports - Food Apr-Sept 2022	\$ 120,000.00		
9. Transitional Housing/Adaptive CM - Apr 2022-Mar 2023	\$ 217,000.00		
REACHING HOME FUNDING			
1. Housing Access Worker (2022-2024) Designated Funding	\$ 56,680.00		
2. Prevention, and Shelter Diversion Designated Funding (2022-2024)	\$ 252,169.00		
3. Prevention, and Shelter Diversion Indigenous Funding (2022-2024)	\$ 173,871.00		
REACHING HOME INCREMENTAL FUNDING			
Designated			
1. Prevention 2022-2023	\$ 50,000.00		
2. Overnight Mat Programming 2022-2023	\$ 120,000.00		
3. Food Supports 2022-2023	\$ 120.000.00		
4. Day Shelter Programming 2022-2023	\$ 103,935.00		
Non-Designated (Indigenous)			
1. Supportive Housing 2022-2023	\$ 373,000.00		

