



January 18, 2024 /9:30 am-11:00 am/ City Hall-South Conference Room

VOTING MEMBERS	RESOURCE MEMBERS
<p>L. Auger, Board Chair B. Boulanger, Voice for the Voiceless J. Manning, Community Member T. Monro, Domestic Violence E. Spilchen, Ministerial Assoc. M. Scott, Alberta Health Services</p>	<p>W. Hughes, Director, Housing & Homeless Initiatives W. Nekurak, Indigenous Relations Advisor S. Roberts, Programs Assistant (Meeting Coordinator, Recorder) C. Chung, Engagement and Program Officer (Government of Canada) F. McGregor, Research and Data Analyst, Housing & Homeless Initiatives</p> <p>GUESTS: R. Arseneault, Executive Director, Canadian Mental Health Association–Outreach Program M. Larouche, Executive Director, Grande Prairie Friendship Centre</p>
WITH REGRETS	WITH REGRETS
<p>D. Cardinal, Indigenous Representative G. Savard, ACFA Regionale de Grande Prairie S. Madden, Grande Spirit Foundation W. Bosch, Downtown Association</p>	<p>P. McPhee, Program Advisor (Government of Alberta) C. Thiessen, City of Grande Prairie Councillor</p>

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

“CABH respectfully acknowledges the Beaver Tribe as the original caretakers of these lands since immemorial. We also acknowledge that we get to live, learn, work, and play on Treaty 8 territory within Turtle Island, home to diverse and Sovereign First Nations, Métis, and Inuit Nations. We honour and respect the Treaties and work to advance the Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action. The members of CABH will honour to help the First Nations, Métis, and Inuit by following our goals and objectives of CABH.”

3. PRESENTATION

3.1 Canadian Mental Health Association - Outreach Program

R. Arseneault

4. AGENDA & MINUTE REVIEW

4.1 Review and approve December Minutes

Approved

Motion: To approve the agenda as presented, with the exclusion of item 6.6.

This motion is presented by E. Spilchen and seconded by B. Boulanger

4.2 Review and approve January’s Agenda

Approved

Moved by J. Manning Seconded by T. Monro

5. OLD BUSINESS

5.1 Review Action Table

- The hybrid in-person meeting schedule for the year 2024/2025 is outlined as follows:

Meeting Date	Meeting Type	Location
January 18, 2024	Hybrid	City Hall- South Conference Room
February 15, 2024	ZOOM	
March 21, 2024	ZOOM	
April 18, 2024	Hybrid	City Hall- South Conference Room
May 16, 2024	ZOOM	
June 20, 2024	Hybrid	City Hall- South Conference Room
September 19, 2024	ZOOM	
October 17, 2024	ZOOM	
November 21, 2024	ZOOM	
December 19, 2024	Hybrid	ZOOM meeting for all. In-person appreciation lunch (location TBD)
January 16, 2025	Hybrid	City Hall- South Conference Room
February 20, 2025	ZOOM	
March 20, 2025	ZOOM	

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Monthly Work Plan Review (November/December/January) **All**

6.1.1 CABH Membership Review (covered under item 7.1)

6.1.2 Review and Revise the Terms of Reference **All**

- S. Roberts will send out the updated Terms of Reference for CABH to review.

6.2 Department Update **W. Hughes**

- December experienced heightened activity attributed to increased behavioural incidents linked to payments of income, time of year on mental health, along with a negative response stemming from a batch of substandard drugs.
- The Winter Emergency program has been awarded directly to Wapiti. Collaborative efforts are underway to manage encampments, with temporary lifts on bans and uninterrupted service provision during cold weather.
- Mobile Outreach is actively engaged in proactive discharge planning in collaboration with the hospital.
- The second-floor SLC is being assessed for capacity during cold/extreme weather.
- Planning for Connect Day, set to commence this month, involves A. Saunders and S. Roberts in determining the venue for this year's event.
- Effective February 1, The Mustard Seed will take over the operation of the Coordinated Care Campus, collaborating with the City as the temporary provider to facilitate a seamless transition. The Community Entity (CE) will persist in providing support to the program as deemed necessary.
- Despite construction delays due to a cold snap, Coordinated Care Campus Phase 3 is expected to have substantial completion in February, with potential for occupancy in March. The plan for the first and second floors on the North side of the Coordinated Care Campus will be municipal and enforcement offices. The plan for the third floor is 43 affordable housing units, the rent is \$950.00/month.
- HHI attended a meeting for preliminary discussions related to interest from RCMP/Enforcement regarding the potential development of a hub table to support the community.

- Fletcher House is progressing positively with low calls for service. All units at Fletcher are single-person occupancy. Planning for full occupancy continues.

6.3 Community Consultation and Engagement Session for Indigenous Funding **W. Hughes/L. Auger**

- Effective July 1, 2024, Reaching Home Indigenous funding will be transitioned to the Friendship Centre, which will serve as the new Indigenous Community Entity ("CE"). M. Larouche is present as a guest at the CABH meeting to gain insights into the structure of CABH and Reaching Home. The CE is committed to providing ongoing support to the Friendship Centre to ensure its success, given its complete endorsement by the CE.
- The CABH Chair was present at the engagement sessions.

6.4 Annual results (report card) **F. McGregor**

- Presented the 2022-2023. The next report card will be for 2023-2024 and will be presented to CABH in May or June of 2024.
- M. Scott and F, Mcgregor will connect and add A. Saunder in regards to the information-sharing procedure as the CE.

6.5 Unsheltered Homelessness Grant review and budget for 2024-2026 **S. Roberts**

Motion: To approve the funding proposal as presented, with the amendment to allocate funds for client support to include food provisions and an additional allocation for temporary accommodation. This adjustment involves reallocating capital funds from the Odyssey program.

This motion is presented by J. Manning and seconded by E. Spilchen. **Approved**

6.6 Review and approve the updated 2019-2024 Community Plan **Remove from Agenda**

6.7 Public Washrooms in the Downtown Sector **W. Hughes**

- The Crime Prevention initiative previously spearheaded a program involving two publicly manned bathrooms in the city. Unfortunately, the project was quickly abandoned due to issues such as attracting unsanctioned use, vandalism, and high operational costs.
- F. McGregor has initiated data collection efforts, drawing insights from Edmonton's similar project. Initial findings suggest that the type of restroom must be carefully monitored and sanitized, incurring substantial costs. Edmonton's proactive approach involved identifying local businesses for potential partnerships to increase public bathroom availability and awaiting feedback on the program's success. Edmonton bathrooms are not just intended for the vulnerable it is intended for the whole community
- J. Manning raised a query about tracking the timing of defecation issues, particularly if they occur after hours. Additionally, encouragement was voiced for the City to expand public bathrooms in the downtown core, which frequently hosts events like Street Performers.
- L. Auger emphasized that the matter extends beyond CABH and is a community-wide concern. Advocacy for the involvement of all stakeholders in addressing the issue was underscored.
- E. Spilchen highlighted the broader scope of the issue, suggesting that it transcends CABH's purview. Drawing attention to Jasper's successful public washroom program, E. Spilchen proposed tabling the matter for the next meeting and formulating a plan for presentation to the City Council, framing it as both a community need and a health issue
- B. Boulanger stressed the importance of accessibility, noting that the facilities should be within reasonable reach and not require extensive travel via multiple buses. The suggestion was made to accommodate the spread-out nature of businesses.
- W. Nekerac suggested community consultation for determining appropriate locations for the public washrooms, recognizing the significance of gathering input from the community.

7. COMMITTEE UPDATES

7.1 Recruitment Committee

E. Spilchen

- New members will be included in the recruitment process, and their interest in joining will be explored. Additionally, three applicants are slated for onboarding with orientation, and subsequent discussions will focus on determining the category they will represent.
- **Motion:** I move to send out congratulations and orientation to Travis, Ali and Allison and invite them for orientation with the Chair and W. Hughes. **This motion is presented by E.Spilchen and seconded by B. Boulanger** **Carried**

8. STANDING AGENDA ITEMS

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| 8.1 Ministerial Association | E. Spilchen |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ministerial Association is only holding one meeting in person this year | |
| 8.2 Business Sector | W. Bosch |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update | |
| 8.3 Voices for the Voiceless | B. Boulanger |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update | |
| 8.4 Domestic Violence | T. Monro |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update | |
| 8.5 Francophone Community | G. Savard |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update | |
| 8.6 Immigrants | Vacant |
| 8.7 Seniors | Vacant |
| 8.8 Youth | Vacant |
| 8.9 Family and Seniors Housing | S. Madden |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update | |
| 8.10 Alberta Health Services | M. Scott |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attended a presentation on 211 Alberta, a valuable community support resource. Additional resources not listed can be submitted through the application process for consideration and potential inclusion into the 211 resource. | |
| 8.11 Indigenous | L. Auger |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Currently, Friendship Centre is actively seeking grants and is engaged in the planning and execution of the Gala scheduled for June 15, 2024 | |

9. ROUND TABLE / UPDATES RESOURCE MEMBERS

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| 9.1 Indigenous Relations Advisor | W. Nekurak |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GPACOS and HAS had an annual addiction land dance • GP Hospital November 29 open house for Indigenous • Sturgeon Lake opened a women's shelter, The City has been in conversation for collaboration for upcoming projects • A new position opened for a National Hockey Advisor | |
| 9.2 City Council | Councilor Thiessen |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update | |
| 9.3 Government of Alberta | P. McPhee |
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No update | |
| 9.4 Update from the Government of Canada | C. Chung |

- Infrastructure Canada has introduced additional Winter Top-Up funding for unsheltered homeless populations in the 2023/2024 allocation.
- Infrastructure Canada continues to work with the GPFC on the transfer of Indigenous funding, ensuring a seamless transition with a planned three-month overlap to prevent any interruption or delay in services. The final transfer is scheduled for June 30th.

10. NEXT MEETING

10.1 February 15, 2024, via ZOOM

11. ADJOURNMENT at 12:01 pm

CABH ACTION ITEMS – January 2024		
ITEM	ASSIGNED MEMBER	DEADLINE / COMMENTS
Schedule for Quarterly In-Person Meetings	L. Auger / W. Hughes	By Jan 18, 2024
New Board Member – Committee Assignment	E. Spilchen / S. Madden	Jan 18, 2024
Send out TOR for review	S. Roberts	March 1, 2024
Send out congratulations and invites to the successful applicants	W. Hughes	March 1, 2024

2023 – 2024 FUNDED PROJECTS

PROVINCIAL OSSI FUNDING

1. Housing Support Fund Annual	\$ 250,000.00
2. Scattered Site Adaptive Case Management (2022-2026)	\$ 872,000.00
3. Winter Emergency Response Program (Oct-Mar 2024)	\$ 180,000.00
4. Supportive Housing (support team & time TBD 2024/2025)	\$ 391,210.00
5. Supportive Housing, 2022-2026	\$ 1,637,082.00
6. Daytime Drop-in Warming Center	\$ 350,000.00
7. TBD – Supportive Housing	\$648,033.00
8. Transitional Housing/Adaptive CM - Apr 2022-Mar 2023	\$ 217,000.00

REACHING HOME DESIGNATED FUNDING

1. Housing Access Worker (2022-2024)	\$ 56,680.00
2. Prevention, and Shelter Diversion (2022-2024)	\$ 252,169.00
3. Prevention, and Shelter Diversion (2022-2024)	\$ 50,000.00
4. Community Kitchen (2023-20234)	\$240,000.00
5. Supportive Housing (2023/2024) RFP	\$99,119.00

REACHING HOME INDIGENOUS FUNDING

1. Youth Prevention and Shelter Diversion (2023-2024)	\$180,000.00
2. Housing Access Worker (2022-2024)	\$23,320.00
3. Outreach Worker Senior/Indigenous (2023-2024)	\$ 121,834.00
4. Housing Outreach Worker (2023-2024)	\$ 48,178.00
5. Prevention and Shelter Diversion Indigenous Funding (2022-2024)	\$173,871.00