

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Committee held in the Board Room, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan, BC, on Thursday, June 17, 2010 at 9:00 am.

**PRESENT:** Director Lori Iannidinardo (Chair)  
Theresa Gerritsen, Cowichan Women Against Violence Society  
Councillor John Koury, District of North Cowichan  
Councillor Jayne Ingram, Town of Lake Cowichan  
Councillor Jillian Dashwood, Town of Ladysmith  
Candace Spilsbury, Cowichan Valley School District No. 79  
Cheryl Stone, Community Options Society  
Jim Harnden, disAbility Resource Centre  
Carol-Ann Rolls, Community Policing  
Michelle Bell, Community Representative <at 9:07 am>

**ABSENT:** Director Phil Kent (Vice-Chair)  
Michelle Nowzek, Social Planning Cowichan  
Bruce Ingram, Community Representative  
Councillor Joe Thorne, City of Duncan  
Corporal Kevin Day, RCMP

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:** Thanya Al Saadoon, Safer Futures  
Dominique Beesley, Recording Secretary

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

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**It was moved and seconded that minutes of the Regular meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Committee held April 15, 2010 be adopted.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

**9:07 am**

Michelle Bell arrived to the meeting at 9:07 am.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

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Correspondence from Safer Futures, regarding a Community Safety Advisory Committee setting priorities workshop 2010–2011, was received.

Theresa Gerritsen, Cowichan Women Against Violence Society, said that the goal of today's meeting was to review the priorities of a recently held workshop, including endorsing a community safety forum, and to adopt a work plan.

Ms. Gerritson provided an overview of the *CVRD Community Safety Advisory Committee Setting Priorities Workshop 2010-2011 Notes* noting that the priorities listed were to happen over the next two years.

### ***Community Safety Advisory Committee Staff Liaison***

Director Iannidinardo and a member of the Committee expressed their concerns with the Committee being enacted for one year and the lack of a designated CVRD staff liaison person at meetings which affects progress. They felt that staff's role is to provide support and guidance on CVRD policies and to focus the Committee on its responsibilities. A designated staff person, they noted, could also provide a more seamless transition to incoming Committee Chairs.

It was also their view that this proposed staff would act as the liaison to the Board of Directors on the Committee's progress and recommendations and it was the overall consensus of the Committee that it would significantly benefit from a staff member providing their support in this regard.

### ***Public Awareness of Community Safety Advisory Committee***

It was the view of the Committee that the role and purpose of the Committee should be heightened in order to encourage more public engagement on issues relating to community safety.

**It was moved and seconded that a sub-committee be struck consisting of Michelle Bell, Jim Harnden, Theresa Gerritsen and Thanya Al Saadoon to develop a clear process and set of procedures for the public to raise safety concerns to the attention of the Community Safety Advisory Committee.**

### **MOTION CARRIED**

### ***Cowichan Women Against Violence Society Community Safety Forum***

Theresa Gerritsen, Cowichan Women Against Violence Society, recommended that the Community Safety Advisory Committee hold a community safety forum on September 16<sup>th</sup> that would profile agencies and organizations in the community. The Committee

discussed a rationale and format of a forum. Ms. Gerritsen noted that it could be held at the same time as a domestic violence forum occurring at the Quw'utsun Cultural Centre which would significantly reduce the cost of holding such an event.

**It was moved and seconded that the Community Safety Advisory Committee supports a community safety forum being held on September 16<sup>th</sup>.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

Director Iannidinardo advised that the next Committee meeting is scheduled to be held in September.

**ADJOURNMENT  
10:35 am**

**It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 am.

Certified Correct:

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Chairperson

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Recording Secretary

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_