

Minutes of the regular meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Committee held in Committee Room #2, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan, on Thursday, May 8, 2008 at 8:47 am.

PRESENT: Director P. Kent, CVRD (Chair)
Director G. Giles, CVRD (Vice Chair)
Theresa Gerritsen, Cowichan Women Against Violence
Society / Safer Futures
Bruce Ingram, Community Representative
Michelle Bell, Community Representative <9:00 am>
Candace Spilsbury, Social Planning Cowichan
Councillor Paul Fletcher, City of Duncan
Councillor Kristine Sandhu, Town of Lake Cowichan

ABSENT: Kathryn Dale, Community Options Society
Jim Harnden, disAbility Resource Centre
Constable Susan Boyes, RCMP
Brian Simmons, School District No. 79
Councillor Melissa Hailey,
Municipality of North Cowichan

ALSO

PRESENT: Pamela Alcorn, Cowichan Women Against Violence
Society / Safer Futures (Committee Support)
Jacob Ellis, Special Projects Coordinator
Dominique Beesley, Recording Secretary

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be amended with the addition of NB6 – *South Cowichan Community Forum Crime & Prevention*, and further, that the agenda as amended be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES**

It was moved and seconded that minutes of the Community Safety Advisory Committee meeting held on March 13, 2008 be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

BA1

Request to Purchase *Canadian Directory to Foundations & Corporations*

It was moved and seconded that the *Canadian Directory to Foundations & Corporations* not be purchased at this time.

MOTION CARRIED

BA2

Creation of Panhandling Sub-Committee

Director Kent announced the membership of Susan Boyes, Kathryn Dale, Michelle Bell and Jim Harnden to the recently re-convened Panhandling Sub-Committee.

INFORMATION

IN1

Minutes of Regional Services Committee—March 26, 2008

Re: Presentation from John Braithwaite representing Citizens Advisory Committee regarding improving communication and cooperation between Correctional Service of Canada, civic leaders and community liaisons for the re-entry of criminal offenders into society, was considered:

It was moved and seconded that a representative from the Citizens Advisory Committee be invited to a Community Safety Advisory Committee meeting to discuss possible ways to improve communication and cooperation between Correctional Service of Canada, civic leaders and community liaisons for the re-entry of criminal offenders into society.

MOTION CARRIED

9:00 am

Michelle Bell joined the meeting at 9:00 am.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

UB1

Community Safety Advisory Committee's Work Plan for 2008

Pamela Alcorn discussed holding a facilitated session to review the Committee's Work Plan for 2008, including its Terms of Reference and the relationship between Community Safety Advisory Committee, Safer Futures Program, Social Planning Cowichan, and Community Policing.

The Committee agreed that the session would be scheduled for Friday, June 27, 2008 from 9 am to 12 noon.

UB2

Cowichan Valley Safety Lens

Directed Kent noted that the Cowichan Valley Safety Lens document was in final form and that it would be possible to have copies printed

in colour and bound.

Director Giles had sent the Safety Lens document to Smart Growth BC who was conducting official community plan reviews for the Shawnigan Lake and Cobble Hill Areas and who felt that the document would have more strength if the Regional Board adopted it.

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that the Board endorse the Cowichan Valley Safety Lens document.

MOTION CARRIED

Pamela Alcorn felt that a communications strategy for the Committee would be beneficial for the document's implementation.

The Committee discussed end-user implementation of the document and the positive impact of media being present at the Board meeting where the document would be presented.

UB3

Safe Needle Disposal Initiative

Theresa Gerritsen noted that work continues on the writing of the Safe Needle Disposal toolkit and that Safer Futures Program is expecting to hear whether funding will be provided from the Vancouver Foundation in June.

NEW BUSINESS

NB1

Committee Appointment Update

The Special Projects Coordinator introduced Kristine Sandhu, Councillor, Town of Lake Cowichan as the latest appointment to the Committee.

NB2

Memorandum of Understanding with Safer Futures

Pam Alcorn reported that a memorandum of understanding between the CVRD and Safer Futures had been signed for 2008, ensuring continued support for the Committee's work.

NB3

Community Safety Advisory Committee's 2007 – 2008 Annual Report

It was moved and seconded that it be recommended to the Board that the Board receive the CSAC Annual Report 2007-2008 for information.

MOTION CARRIED

NB4**Safer Futures Activity Report**

Pamela Alcorn provided an overview on the Safer Futures Activity Report that, she noted, includes neighborhood crime prevention and safe needle disposal initiatives.

NB5**Future Funding Investigation**

Pamela Alcorn reported that the Safer Futures Program would be investigating future funding.

NB6**South Cowichan Community Forum Crime & Crime Prevention**

Director Giles provided a background to the Forum and the Committee discussed types of crime occurring in the South Cowichan area and methods of prevention.

Bruce Ingram, Community Representative, raised the issue of unsafe youth activities in Lake Cowichan.

ACTION: Bruce Ingram and Safer Futures to meet with Lake Cowichan Community Services and investigate holding a community forum in Lake Cowichan similar to the South Cowichan Community Forum & Crime Prevention.

ADJOURNMENT**10:20 am**

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:20 am.

Certified Correct:

Chairperson

Recording Secretary

Dated: _____