



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ROSSLAND

**Minutes of Regular Meeting of the Sustainability Commission
Wednesday, September 10, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.
City Hall, Council Chambers
Minutes**

<u>PRESENT:</u>	Terry Miller	Sustainability Commission Chair
	Tara Howse	Economic Development Task Force Chair
	Alex Loeb	Energy Task Force Member
	Aaron Cosbey	Energy Task Force Member
	Kate Harrison Whiteside	Monashee Institute Coordinator
	Cynthia Añonuevo	Executive Assistant – City of Rossland
	Tracey Butler	Deputy CAO/Corporate Officer – City of Rossland
<u>GUEST:</u>	Ann Damude	Communications Contract (arrived at 3:20 p.m.)
<u>ABSENT:</u>	Steve Ash	Energy Task Force Member Chair
	Mayor Greg Granstrom	Mayor
	Councillor Kathy Moore	Rossland City Council Liaison
	Councillor Jill Spearn	Rossland City Council Liaison Alternate
	Fletcher Quince	Innovative Education Task Force Member

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:06 p.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION: HOWSE/COSBEY

RESOLVED THAT THE SEPTEMBER 10, 2014 AGENDA OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION BE ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES:

MOTION: COSBEY/LOEB

RESOLVED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMISSION HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2014 BE ADOPTED.

CARRIED.

UPDATE- ENERGY TASK FORCE:

Transportation, Ms. Alex Loeb

- Stated that the Rossland Car Share has new potential members
- Will be attending the Farmer's Market on September 11, 2014 to promote the Car Share Program
- Program will be under review at 1 year and will reassess usage at that time
- Encouraged members to get the word out in order to increase usage
- Members discussed suggestions to increase usage. I.e. purchase car seat, non-standard vehicle, target audiences and swapping the vehicle for one with an automatic transmission
- Thanked Ann Damude for her work on promoting the Rossland Car Share Program
- Corinna has been looking for ways to increase activity and is in contact with students at Selkirk College.

UPDATE - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TASK FORCE:

Ms. Tara Howse updated on the following:

- Eric Gonzales will be completing two more videos: nomadic entrepreneurs and small businesses. Should be completed sometime this fall
- Will be meeting with the Lower Columbia Initiatives Corporation (LCIC) to discuss region-wide marketing for economic development
- Inquired if Council will be supporting financial assistance to the Lower Columbia Initiatives Corporation (LCIC) and stated that the Economic Development Task Force supports the LCIC.
- Stated that the Economic Development Task Force supports the Free Ride Bus.
- Tracey Butler clarified terms of use for RMI funds and will need to come up with funding alternatives for this project in the future
- Tara Howse will clarify at the next Task Force meeting on the current crowdsourcing campaign for the Free Ride Bus
- Community Directed Funds from Columbia Basin Trust will be distributed through the Lower Columbia Community Development Team and are currently looking for input from the public.

UPDATE - INNOVATIVE EDUCATION TASK FORCE:

Ms. Kate Harrison-Whiteside updated on the following:

- Updated members that Amy Short resigned this summer. Kate Harrison-Whiteside is now the coordinator for the Monashee Institute for the remainder of the term
- The committee is currently trying to recruit new members and summarized the groups challenges over the summer due to timing and staffing issues

- Summarized the programs that will be offered in the fall, including a Train the Trainer workshop for anyone who would like to offer courses
- Tara Howse expressed concern over the overlap in services provided by the Monashee Institute such as Rossland Recreation and Selkirk College
- Kate Harrison-Whiteside suggested that the Monashee Institute's focus is Education Tourism
- Terry Miller suggested that this is an experiment in creating more of a tourist experience rather than just a course.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH ACTIVITIES:

Ann Damude gave an update on the following:

- Presented on the Communications Plan and is looking for direction and input going forward
- Would like to wrap the Energy Diet Phase 2 outcomes and share with the public

UPDATE FROM COUNCIL & STAFF:

Ms. Tracey Butler updated on the following:

- Stated that nomination packages are available for the next Municipal Election
- Busy with wrap up and final budget summary – November 10th schedule
- Logging is occurring out at the Black Jack ski club and stated that there is an agreement in place to cross Hanna Creek Water lines
- Water Use agreement has been signed for snowmaking at Red Mountain
- Initial Feasibility Study for a swimming hole for Star Gulch will take place
- Security at the Ophir Reservoir during the summer went well and people were respectful in keeping out.

CHAIR UPDATE:

Nil

CORRESPONDENCE:

Nil

OTHER/NEW BUSINESS:

Nil

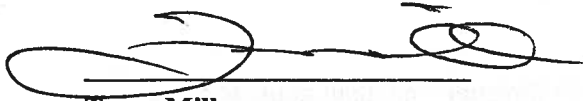
NEXT MEETING:

The next regular meeting of the Sustainability Commission is scheduled for Wednesday, October 8, 2014 at 3:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT:

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 4:26 p.m.

I hereby certify the preceding to be a true and correct account of the Sustainability Commission Regular Meeting held on September 10, 2014.



**Terry Miller
Chair**



**Cynthia Anonuevo
Executive Assistant**