

Minutes of the Regular meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Committee held in Committee Room No. 2, 175 Ingram Street, Duncan, on Thursday, November 19, 2009 at 9:02 am.

PRESENT: Director L. Iannidinardo (Chair)
Theresa Gerritsen, Cowichan Women Against Violence
Society / Safer Futures
Corporal Kevin Day, RCMP
Cheryl Stone, Community Options Society
<to 10:00 am>
Michelle Bell, Community Representative
Jim Harnden, Cowichan Independent Living
Candace Spilsbury, Cowichan Valley School District
No. 79
Michelle Nowzek, Social Planning Cowichan
<at 9:10 am>

ABSENT: Director P. Kent (Vice-Chair)
Councillor John Koury, Municipality of North Cowichan
Councillor Joe Thorne, City of Duncan
Bruce Ingram, Community Representative

ALSO

PRESENT: Kathleen Milward, Environmental Technologist
Dominique Beesley, Recording Secretary

**APPROVAL OF
AGENDA**

It was moved and seconded that the agenda be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

**ADOPTION OF
MINUTES
2M1**

It was moved and seconded that minutes of the Regular meeting of the Community Safety Advisory Committee held September 10, 2009 be adopted.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3BA1

Citizen's Advisory Committee to the National Parole Board and Correction Service of Canada

Theresa Gerritsen noted that the Citizen's Advisory Committee to the National Parole Board represents north Vancouver Island and that its Chair has changed.

Ms. Gerritsen said that a meeting between the National Parole Board / Correction Service of Canada Liaison Subcommittee and the Citizen's Advisory Committee to the National Parole Board and Correction

Service of Canada would be set by approximately early next week.

9:10 am

Michelle Nowzek arrived to the meeting.

DELEGATIONS

4D1

Corporal Kevin Day representing the RCMP presented statistics on crime rates in the Region.

Responding to a question from a member of the Committee regarding crime reduction priorities, Corporal Day noted that each year the RCMP identifies these priorities in an annual performance plan. This year, said Corporal Day, domestic violence and traffic crimes were most prevalent in the Region.

With the community's consultation, through its partners and stake holders, the RCMP is able to target prolific crime offenders which is part of its crime reduction strategy explained Corporal Day. He noted that it would be beneficial if the Community Safety Advisory Committee were a part of the consultation process for the RCMP's Annual Performance Plan.

Responding to a question from a member of the Committee regarding Region crime statistic comparisons, Corporal Day said that, in his view, we live in a safe community although domestic violence crime rates are higher than the average.

Michelle Bell requested that staff provide the Committee with crime statistics from the third quarter of the years 2008 and 2009 from the south areas and Cowichan Lake South / Skutz Falls.

Director Iannidinardo said that she would forward these crime statistics to Board members.

CORRESPONDECE

5C1

Theresa Gerritsen, Cowichan Women Against Violence Society, regarding planning for the next steps for the panhandling issue, was received.

10:00 am

Cheryl Stone left the meeting at 10:00 am.

It was moved and seconded that Safer Futures produce a community safety bulletin for each Community Safety Advisory Committee meeting to be used as an internal document.

MOTION CARRIED

5C2

Theresa Gerritsen, Cowichan Women Against Violence Society, regarding an update on the safe needle disposal initiative, was received.

NEW BUSINESS

NB1

Terms of Reference

It was moved and seconded that the Community Safety Advisory Committee's membership be amended by including, under the '2. Composition, Community Groups':

- **Community Policing.**

MOTION CARRIED

**ADJOURNMENT
10:42 am**

It was moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned.

MOTION CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 10:42 am.

Certified Correct:

Chairperson

Recording Secretary

Dated: _____