

The Regional Municipality of Durham

**MINUTES**

**BEAVERTON SUPPORTIVE HOUSING LIAISON COMMITTEE**

Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022

A regular meeting of the Beaverton Supportive Housing Liaison Committee was held on Monday, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2022 via Microsoft Teams at 5:00 PM.

Present: Brett Bloxam  
David Ellins  
Karen Hakonson  
Mary Beddows  
**\*all members of the committee participated electronically**

Absent:  
Courtney-Anne Croft  
George Hewitt

Staff

Present: Alan Robins, Director of Housing Services  
Cindy McCreight, Administrative Assistant  
Rachel Hirstwood-Judd, Adult Community Support Worker

**1. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by David Ellins, Seconded by Mary Beddows, That the Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

**2. ADOPTION OF FEBRUARY 14<sup>TH</sup> MINUTES**

Moved by Karen Hakonson, That the Minutes of February 14<sup>th</sup> be adopted.

CARRIED

**3. COMMITTEE COMMUNITY MEMBER RECRUITMENT**

To fill the current vacancies the Region will issue another call for Interest, similar to the initial call. Once we receive interested candidates, we will determine the members using the same selection criteria used for the initial group.

The communication will be issued through the local newspaper and the Region's website and may include a targeted social media post. The committee will be informed before the communication is released.

**4. DISCUSSION:**

**A. Project Update**

Questions regarding the development schedule have been raised by community members after the installation of construction fencing at the building site.

The current estimated development schedule was shared with the group.

Site Work – Estimated Schedule

- Hydro pole removal – mid August
- Site mobilization – July/August
- Civil Work – August/September
- Foundations – September/November
- Craning Hub – November/December
- Craning Main Building – January 2023
- Installation Hub and Main Building – February-May 2023
- Occupancy – Summer/Fall 2023

These timelines are all dependent on the weather and the supply chain.

**B. Funding and Budget Update**

The cost of construction has increased significantly during the last two years. Regional Council has approved the additional cost (Report 2022-COW-22) for the project. A copy of the report was sent to the Community Liaison Committee members on May 19<sup>th</sup>. The Region continues to pursue all potential funding sources to further support this project which may include the Federal Rapid Housing Initiative and Co-Investment Fund.

Brett questioned Durham Regional Council approving the increase in cost on a sole source agreement. This led to discussion about additional design costs, supply chain issues and other delays the project has experienced. An explanation for the cost increase was included in Report 2022-COW-22.

**C. Fencing**

Mary Beddows asked a question regarding fencing between Gillespie Gardens and the Regional property. Any fencing between the properties will have to be discussed between Durham Region Non-Profit Housing Corporation and the Region, as the owners of both parcels of land.

**D. Operations**

Currently the Region is investigating operating models and in discussion with various potential partners. The provision of security services will be reviewed by the Region's Facilities team. Communication Plan

The website will be updated to make it easier to access information. Alan will reach out to our Corporate Communications Group to post the stages of development along with progress pictures and potentially a time lapse video.

**5. NEXT STEPS**

Review the initial recruitment process for committee members.

Review the use of social media to provide regular progress updates.

**6. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

- The next meeting is scheduled for Monday October 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM.

**7. MEETING ADJOURNED**

Moved by David Ellins, Seconded by Mary Beddows, That the Meeting be Adjourned.  
The meeting adjourned at 5:40 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Original signed by \_\_\_\_\_

Alan Robins, Chair