



A meeting of the Age Friendly Community Committee for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Monday, June 24, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Present:

Councillor Penny Carver
Crystal Berkeley
Lisa Learning
Anne Harrison (Left at 7:33pm)
Francis Kangata
Joan Parks-Hubley
Dylan Heide, CAO
Kelly Redden, Deputy Clerk

Absent:

Councillor Joseph Feeney
Greg Matear

Approval of Agenda

A motion by Ms. Harrison, seconded by Ms. Berkeley, **“THAT the agenda be approved as presented.”** **Motion carried.**

Minutes

A motion by Mr. Kangata, seconded by Ms. Parks-Hubley, **“THAT the minutes of the May 27, 2019 meeting be approved as presented.”** **Motion carried.**

Committee Member Updates

The Committee received updates from its members. The Committee discussed how the legalization of edible cannabis may affect residents of the Town. The Committee invited member Francis Kangata, Prevention and Health Promotion Coordinator with NS Health, and his colleagues to present to the Age Friendly Community Committee at their next meeting on the 23rd of September. Mr. Kangata will confirm with staff whether his group is available to present to the Committee by the 6th of September so that the presentation can be advertised for public attendance.

The Committee also discussed how they might make recommendations to the municipal planning review process which is upcoming.

Discussion – 2019 Committee Action Plan

The committee reviewed and amended the draft action plan.

A motion by Mr. Kangata, seconded by Ms. Learning, **“THAT the committee recommend that Council adopt the Age Friendly Committee’s 2019-2020 Action Plan as amended.”**

Motion carried.

Discussion – Youth Membership

Mr. Kangata will arrange a meeting with the principal of Bayview Community School to discuss the possibility of a student joining the Age Friendly Community Committee.

The meeting adjourned by motion at 8:20 pm

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draft Age Friendly Community Committee Action Plan

- 1)** Publicize existence of Committee, share relevant information and solicit correspondence / delegations, making use of Town website, Mayor's Newsletter and social media.

TIMELINE: Q1 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: none

- 2)** Make recommendations to support social connection / participation of new residents including improved new residents' package(s) / events.

TIMELINE: Q1 – Q3 2019

BUDGET: none

- 3)** Solicit and make recommendations concerning infrastructural barriers and service standards (walkways, benches, etc.) including supporting the development of Active Transportation Plan by making recommendations to Council intended to support inclusive participation; collaborate with Asset Management Committee.

TIMELINE: Q1 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: \$250

- 4)** Participate in review of Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law, applying planning principles of age friendly communities. Suggested topics: zoning/location of alcohol/cannabis retailers (policy recommendations?).

TIMELINE: Q2 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: none

- 5)** Promote age friendly training opportunities / recognition of age friendly leadership in community. Collaborate to support sessions / workshops for seniors and youth in Mahone Bay.

TIMELINE: Q1 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: \$750

- 6)** Consider housing issues and explore solutions as they relate to age friendliness (aging in place), connecting with the work of the South Shore Housing Action Coalition.

TIMELINE: Q3 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: none

7) Promote inclusive recreational activities that support social connection / participation for young people as well as intergenerational activities; collaborate with Bayview School, MODL.

TIMELINE: Q1 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: none

8) Follow up / monitor ongoing efforts: 2017 Age Friendly Mahone Bay research project, NOW Lunenburg County physician recruitment, Taming the Octopus initiative, quality of life survey (engage NS).

TIMELINE: Q1 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: none

9) Development of 5+ year Age Friendly Community Plan

TIMELINE: Q3 – Q4 2019

BUDGET: \$500