#### **MEETING MINUTES**

Minutes of the meeting held electronically from City Hall, 141 West 14<sup>th</sup> Street, North Vancouver, BC on March 29, 2023

## **Members Present**

Anna Boltenko Olga Kens Kathy McGrenera Tim Page Zeyus Spenta

# **Staff Present**

Heather Evans, Community Planner Edytha Barker, Administrative Coordinator II

## **Absent**

Kate Galicz Catherine Kingfisher Tony Valente, Councillor

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 pm.

#### 1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

# 2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

a) Minutes of the meeting held on March 7, 2023 were approved as circulated.

#### 3. UPDATES

- a) Councillor
  - .Not available
- b) Staff
  - The North Shore Table Matters Network is holding an event tonight. This is a food security network that advocates for sustainable food systems and food security on the North Shore. The group includes all North Shore municipalities, Bowen Island Municipality, The Village of Lions Bay, the North Vancouver School District, West Vancouver School District, Vancouver Coastal Health, Squamish Nation, the Tseil-Waututh Nation as well as over 30 community organizations, over 100 local businesses and over 400 interested residents. Tonight is an event for the signatories to the North Shore Community Food Charter. The charter was signed in 2013 and this is an opportunity to look at it and see where we are. H. Evans will send SPAC the link to North Shore Table Matters and will also share the report from these evening once it is available.
  - Work continues on the draft of the Community Wellbeing Strategy, particularly around the engagement strategy. The draft will be brought forward to Council, then will go out for community engagement. The Community Planner will aim to bring to SPAC in June or July (draft timeline).
  - Work also continues on the supportive funding review at an internal level and will bring to SPAC around same timeline (summer or fall).

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## 4. COMMUNITY GRANTS ALLOCATION DISCUSSION

The Chair began the process by asking the committee how the review is going so far. New members shared insights and were appreciative to learn about organizations in the City.

Committee members discussed each application and teams gave high and low recommendations for funding. Further discussion was tabled to the April meeting.

Points and observations raised were:

- Needs are great, resources are limited.
- Pleased to see applicants coming back from other years.
- Staff reminded members to provide the rationale if recommendation is \$0 or Do Not Fund.

The Community Planner will circulate the updated matrix to SPAC members via email. Teams were asked to send any changes to the Community Planner or Admin Coordinator before the next meeting.

## 5. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next regular meeting is scheduled for April 26 at 6 pm.

## 6. ROUNDTABLE

Staff noted that the workshops on by Eli Mina on Robert's Rules of Order are coming up in April. All are encouraged to sign up if you are able to attend.

Save the date for the Volunteer Appreciation Reception which will be held at City Hall April 19.

SPAC's next meeting will be in person at City Hall in Conference Room A. More information will be sent closer to the date.

#### 7. ADJOURN

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:16 pm.

Anna Boltenko, Chair