# Age Friendly Community Planning Meeting Wednesday November, 2015 2:00 – 4:00pm At the Town of Golden Council Chambers

Attendees: Jim Halvorson, Susan Halvorson, Jenn Keilty, Shelly Wadden, Carrie White, Jordan Petrovics, Mickey Balas, Leslie Adams, Joy Orr

Regrets: Monica De, Michele Rowe, Breanna Nielsen, Sheldon Dwyer, Chris Hambruch, Denise English,

Connie Barlow, Irene Gray, Ruth Hamilton, Breann Nielsen, Ron Oszust

Minutes: Ryan Watmough

Website Resources: AFC Plan http://www.goldenloom.ca/age-friendly.html

AFC Committee http://www.goldenloom.ca/afc-committee.html

## Agenda

#### A. Call to Order:

#### B. Review and Approval of Past Minutes: October 21, 2015

Approved & Carried.

#### **C.** Introductions

- Roundtable.

#### D. Updates on Items from Last Meeting

- 1. New Horizons for Seniors Funding Program
- Golden Seniors Centre: Access to the building/automated doors. AED. Update from Irene.
  - o Should know by January 2016.
- New opportunities?
  - Rec Plex doors project needs to find funding.
  - BC CRN \$1,500/year + network & project support

#### **E. New Business**

# 2. Guest Speaker: Carrie White, Recreation Facilities Booking Agent, Town of Golden

- Recreation schedule circulated. Presentation uploaded to GoldenLoom.ca
- Many recreation, social inclusion and facility utilization issues were discussed

#### 3. Event & Program Calendars Committee

- November "Age Friendly" Calendar published, printed and posted around town
- Online "Age Friendly" Calendar posted on GoldenLoom.ca
- Printed calendar will be retitled, "Age Friendly Calendar ...for 50 plus"
- December events are due TODAY

#### 4. Access to Care Committee (update from Mickey)

- We have not received any specific requests or info from the physicians
- It has been identified that there is no palliative care facility in Golden
- Mickey will get in touch with Julia Cundliffe from Hospice Society

#### 5. Seniors Helping Seniors Committee

- No report

#### 6. Transportation Committee

- Chris Hambruch has been researching the Fort St. James transportation program
- Discussion between Hockey groups and Tanis @ Durand Manor; Lions are exploring the concept of a wheelchair-accessible van
- Joy mentioned Facebook's Golden Ride Share program, which can be used more, but may not see much participation from older adults. Increased use of Golden Ride Share will increase social inclusion and support
- Leslie Adams noted that transit is not on the radar of Town Council
- Ryan will bring this issue up with Karen Cathcart, Area A Director, as she is developing a Capacity Building Needs Assessment for Area A
- Joy will find out the Lions intentions and status regarding the proposed wheelchair-accessible van project
- Ryan, Shelley & Joy will schedule a meeting with Karen Cathcart, Chris Hambruch & Tanis
  Brown to have another Transportation Committee meeting with a focus on ride share
  messaging
- Susan will ask Deanna Lacasse what the insurance implications are with ride sharing.

#### 7. **Durand Manor Renovation Project** (written update from Tanis)

- Tender has been released for expansion project
- IH is starting the project early December, but don't know the exact day. It will be the demolition of the round room and replaced with a lounge/activities room for residents to enjoy coffee club, family visits, performances, school group activities. Also, Durand Manor will have a salon, a coffee/breakfast station, and maybe a media/TV area for residents to interact online (depends on funding that's not included in the project but they have a space for it).
- Tanis is waiting on Maintenance to provide an outdoor map/plan for Jason so we can sketch our ideas for outdoor space improvement. Also, friends of Golden hospital foundation has asked for a wish list so Tanis been giving lots of ideas to them.

### 8. **Seniors Advocate/Navigator** (update from Mickey)

- An office space has been offered by Mountainview for Mickey to work from on Fridays
- The Hospice Society, EKBIA, and Red Cross are also looking for space

#### 9. **AFCC Coordinator Sustainability** (update from Ryan)

- Bill Barger of BCCRN has offered some support (\$1,500/yr) if Golden starts a Community Response Network
- Ryan will submit a delegation request ASAP and prepare a proposal for funding to be submitted to Council in December 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Mickey, Joy, Monica, Connie & Shelly will help.

#### 10. Additional Items

- None

# F. Next Meeting – 2pm, Wednesday December 16, Town of Golden Council Chambers

December Guest Speakers: Kyle Hale, Golden Emergency Management Plan (December 16);
 Breanna Nielsen, Community Integration Support, IHA (December 16)

# G. Adjournment -

Anyone interested in helping to make Golden an Age Friendly community is welcome to come to the meetings. Tell your friends, family & colleagues.

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