# Age Friendly Community Planning Meeting Wednesday September 16, 2015 3:00 – 4:15pm At the Town of Golden Council Chambers

Attendees: Jenn Keilty, Steph Findlater, Ann Younger, Mickey Balas, Tanis Brown, Sheldon Dwyer, Tricia

Bowness, Connie Barlow, Chris Hambruch, and Ryan Watmough

Regrets: Denise English, Ron Oszust, Leslie Adams, Jane Powell, and Jan Rodman

Chair: Connie Barlow Minutes: Ryan Watmough

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

#### Agenda

## A. Call to Order: 3:08pm

## **B. Review and Approval of Past Minutes**

Motion: Mickey Seconded: Sheldon

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 Ryan (via Irene).
- Response from Connie's previously circulated provincial link for grants.
- CBT Social Sector Grants Program October 5<sup>th</sup> deadline.
- GDCF Community Grants Program (\$5K-12K) October 21<sup>st</sup> deadline.
- Action: Please forward any sources of funding to Tanis.

#### 2. Officially recognition of Golden as an Age Friendly Community by AFBC

- Request letter for the \$1,000 has been sent to Town Council.
- The letter was received and it has been referred to budget process.

## **E. New Business**

- Guest Speaker: Corrine Younie, Coordinator
- Nelson & Area Age Friendly Community Initiative Phase I & II: Progress & Next Steps
- Corrine will present an overview of the Initiative; describe the activities they have undertaken and accomplished over the past three years (Phase I), ending with what's planned for 2015-2018 (Phase II).
- Presentation via Skype; seniorsproject@nelsoncares.ca; 250.352.2708
- Action 1: Focus on fund development and ask Corrine for more direction on finding program/planning funding for Golden's AFCC beyond Dec 2015.
- Action 2: Attend upcoming COTR/CBT Grant Writing workshops, Sept 23, 9:30-12:00.

Action 3: Organize meeting with Liz Gillis, CBT, who will be in Golden on Sept 24-25.

#### 3. Event & Program Calendars Committee

- Connie, Tanis, Ryan & Ruth H
- Input: All age friendly related programs & services
- Format: Online input → paper print outs Update from Connie, GCRS Team
- Met with Ruth from the Chamber of Commerce
- Next Steps: Logos → Format → Content (to Kim). Proof → Print → Distribute (online, paper)

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

- Local representatives have been briefed.
- Physicians are in Kelowna this week to fight for Golden's lab services.

## 5. **Seniors Helping Seniors Committee** (update from Jan)

- Requests to MLA Macdonald and Minister Lake have been sent for the Better At Home program.
- On August 24, Jan "spoke with Laura Kliem. She and her husband, Steve Fuller have been providing services in Golden and area to Seniors and people with disabilities for the last eight years. Most of their referrals have been by word of mouth or through Home Support. They have been offering all the services we are talking about, housekeeping, yard maintenance, etc. It has been on a paid basis.
- She and her husband have taken on another job so they won't be able to take on more clients.

  She is a great resource because she's been doing it all administration and supply of services. Jan thinks she would be great to have come and speak about her experiences here in Golden. 250-272-0343
- The Golden Star wrote a great article that outlined our goal with this program. Jan has only received one response from a potential volunteer Neil Hudson."

#### 6. **Transportation Committee** (update from Tanis)

- Waiting for an update from Swan Valley Lodge re: surplus bus; in contact with Invermere, too.

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

Meeting recap from Tuesday September 15.

## 8. Seniors Advocate/Navigator

- Mickey is committed to addressing this.
- Tricia will speak with Connie about space for this role.
- Mickey will speak with Red Cross, as they need space, too.

## 9. Aging in the Kootenays (update from Ryan)

Please see attached poster.

## 10. Additional Items -

- Durand Manor & Community Project
- IH, ToG, ECDC, Service Clubs & AFCC reps met on Sept 15 to discuss & align possible projects.
- Notes can be found on the AFCC website.

# F. Next Meeting - October 21, 2015; 2pm; location: TBD

• Guest Speaker: Janice Murphy, Kaslo (November 18)

# **G. Adjournment** – 4:45pm

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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