

MINUTES
HEALTHY SAANICH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
Held at Saanich Municipal Hall, Committee Room #2
March 4, 2020 at 6:02 p.m.

Present: Chair: Jasindra Jawanda

Members: Silvia Mangué Alene, Claire Attwell, Rosie Croft, Carren Dujela, Ryan Henderson, Teale Phelps Bondaroff, Holli Rockerbie and Abigail Toledo

Staff: Cristina Caravacas, Senior Manager, Community Services; Pierre Iachetti, Agriculture and Food Security Planner; and Jeff Keays, Committee Clerk

Regrets: Councillor Chambers and Nadia Rajan

Guests: Paul Schachter, Treasurer, Kuleau Culture Society and Penny Stevens, SCAN Representative

MOTION

MOVED by T. Phelps Bondaroff and Seconded by C. Attwell: “That the minutes of the Healthy Saanich Advisory Committee meeting held February 5, 2020 be adopted as circulated.”

CARRIED

UPDATE: FOOD STANDS/FARM GATES SALES

The Agriculture and Food Security Planner presented on Food Stands and Farm Gates sales and advised that the items are included in the Agriculture Food Security Plan as a priority. At the June 17, 2019 Council meeting, staff were directed to report back on options and implications on considering bylaw changes that would permit local produce and processed food stands to operate in Saanich on private property and immediately adjacent to boulevards, both inside and outside of the Urban Containment Boundary. Discussion took place with respect to food safety. The Committee Clerk will circulate additional resources on food production and guidelines for sale of food at temporary food stands.

DIVISION REPORT – COMMUNITY SERVICES

The Senior Manager, Community Services advised that:

- The Community Arts program now falls under Community Services.
- Diversity, equity and inclusion are a priority for Council.
- Cultural activities such as Lunar New Year and Diwali celebrations have taken place in Saanich.
- As the committee expressed interest in Child and Youth Services, it may be appropriate to invite program staff to present to the committee.

PENINSULA REGIONAL CHILDCARE STUDY

The Senior Manager, Community Services advised:

- The Mayor has stated that there is a gap in childcare funding.
- The Province is compensating municipalities to undertake a study and collect data on childcare needs.
- The data will be used to inform future program funding.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for April 1, 2020.

Councillor Chambers, Chair

I hereby certify these minutes are accurate.

Committee Secretary