



Community Safety Committee

Date: Tuesday, July 11, 2017

Place: Anderson Room
Richmond City Hall

Present: Councillor Bill McNulty, Chair
Councillor Derek Dang
Councillor Ken Johnston
Councillor Alexa Loo
Councillor Linda McPhail

Call to Order: The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MINUTES

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee held on June 13, 2017, be adopted.

CARRIED

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING DATE

September 12, 2017, (tentative date) at 4:00 p.m. in the Anderson Room

PRESENTATION

1. With the aid of a PowerPoint presentation (copy on file, City Clerk's Office) Norman Kotze, Acting Manager, Emergency Programs provided the following information regarding Emergency Programs:
 - five employees work in Emergency Programs;
 - municipal emergency management responsibilities include planning and responding;

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- the emergency management continuum consists of four pillars: prevention & mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery;
- there are a large number of programs utilized to meet the four pillars on the continuum;
- the Emergency Operations Centre (EOC) is used as a support to the incident site;
- activation of the EOC is quick and efficient with the help of volunteers; and
- there are many upcoming educational programs about emergency preparedness.

In reply to queries from Committee, Mr. Kotze advised that (i) currently there are 70 volunteers, (ii) recruitment of volunteers is quick, and (iii) 140 is an optimal number of volunteers to be able to staff two reception centres.

COMMUNITY SAFETY DIVISION

2. **COMMUNITY BYLAWS MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – MAY 2017**

(File Ref. No. 12-8060-01) (REDMS No. 5409557)

Cecilia Achiam, General Manager, Community Safety, highlighted that (i) many short-term rentals have been closed down and new advertisements have ceased, (ii) a new soils bylaw is being drafted based on best practices, (iii) the grease portfolio will be transferred back to the Engineering Department.

The Chair expressed concern regarding transferring the grease portfolio to the Engineering Department and in reply to queries from Committee, Ms. Achiam noted that Community Bylaws will be assisting with the inspections.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled ‘Community Bylaws Monthly Activity Report – May 2017’, dated June 23, 2017, from the General Manager, Community Safety, be received for information.

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3. **RICHMOND FIRE-RESCUE MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT – MAY 2017**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5415054)

John McGowan, Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, highlighted information from the Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report.

It was moved and seconded

That the staff report titled “Richmond Fire-Rescue Monthly Activity Report – May 2017”, dated June 19, 2017 from the Fire Chief, Richmond Fire-Rescue, be received for information.

CARRIED

4. **FIRE CHIEF BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

(i) Cambie Fire Hall Opening Event

Chief McGowan advised that the Cambie Fire Hall Opening has been postponed to September.

(ii) Post Canada Day Update

Chief McGowan noted that the Canada 150 celebrations went very well and few problems were encountered.

Discussion ensued in regards to the wild fires in the interior and the Chair queried whether Richmond Fire-Rescue would be providing assistance. Chief McGowan advised that Richmond Fire-Rescue does not have the resources to send additional assistance without potentially leaving Richmond vulnerable.

5. **RCMP MONTHLY ACTIVITY REPORT - MAY 2017**

(File Ref. No. 09-5000-01) (REDMS No. 5405718)

It was moved and seconded

That the report titled “RCMP’s Monthly Activity Report – May 2017,” dated June 8, 2017, from the Officer In Charge, Richmond RCMP, be received for information.

CARRIED

6. **RCMP/OIC BRIEFING**

(Verbal Report)

(i) Salmon Festival Update

Supt. Will Ng, Officer in Charge, Richmond RCMP advised that the Salmon Festival was well attended and few incidents required the attention of the RCMP.

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(ii) RCMP 150 Photo on Twitter

Supt. Ng highlighted that Community Volunteers and 30 members in full uniform were photographed with a supersized Canadian flag. Supt. Ng then advised that they were sponsored by many local businesses.

(iii) Steveston Speed Watch Volunteers Win Challenge

Supt. Ng advised that three Speed Watch volunteers have won awards for contributing the most number of hours to Speed Watch in the province and an awards ceremony will be held at the Steveston Community Centre on July 18, 2017.

Discussion ensued in regards to the wild fires and Supt. Ng advised that 11 Richmond RCMP officers have volunteered to provide relief for officers in the interior.

7. COMMITTEE STANDING ITEMS

(i) Emergency Programs

No update on Emergency Programs was provided.

(ii) E-Comm

The Chair advised that the candidate for the Chief Executive Officer had to withdraw their candidacy and more information will be available soon. He noted that a copy of the E-Comm annual report will be available in the Councillors Lounge for more information.

8. MANAGER'S REPORT

(i) Wee Medical Update

Carli Edwards, Manager, Customer Services and Licencing provided an update on Wee Medical, and stated that they have been shut down.

(ii) Inter-Municipal Business Licence Discussions

Ms. Edwards provided an update on the Regional Mobile Business Licence program, which allows businesses to operate anywhere in the Lower Mainland. She advised that Richmond has been participating in the discussions.

ADJOURNMENT

It was moved and seconded

That the meeting adjourn (4:29 p.m.).

CARRIED

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Certified a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the meeting of the Community Safety Committee of the Council of the City of Richmond held on Tuesday, July 11, 2017.

Councillor Bill McNulty
Chair

Sarah Kurian
Legislative Services Coordinator