



Maple Ridge Modular

Community Advisory Committee

Meeting Minutes - Thursday, January 24, 2019

Maple Ridge Public Library, Alouette Room - 3pm to 4pm

Representatives in attendance:

- Tenant, Maple Ridge Modular
- BC Housing
- Coast Mental Health
- Rosewood Cottages
- Ridge Meadows RCMP
- Maple Ridge Fire Dept.
- Fraser Health
- Open Door Church
- CEED Centre

Chair and Minutes: Coast Mental Health

Minutes from the November 19, 2018 meeting were reviewed by the committee and approved.

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Discussion</u>	<u>Follow-up</u>
Review of neighborhood feedback	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A representative from Rosewood Cottages identified having recent issues with visitors to the Maple Ridge Modular (MRM) but not the clients themselves. Visitors who may not be allowed to MRM were observed and heard late at night throwing rocks and making noise in an effort to get certain clients' attention. • One senior at Rosewood Cottages complained she had not been sleeping well for a week. • A person with a car was reported as driving too fast while exiting the MRM parking lot. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRM staff to review cameras and share video with RCMP. • Coast to work with BC Housing to provide more lighting on the back "L" side of the MRM building. • Changing camera angles and motion detectors were also suggested by the Cttee. • Cttee. Suggested Rosewood Cottages staff communicate and exchange numbers with MRM staff to inform them of concerns observed.
Updates and discussions from committee representatives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • During a recent windstorm tree branches fell on MRM property. The mess was cleaned up and an arborist was brought in to assess damages and impact of the storm. • RCMP reported observing lots of foot traffic on Royal Crescent from people who are not necessarily clients of MRM. • A trend in increased calls was identified involving two specific MRM clients. • RCMP reported getting a total of 40 calls of service since MRM has opened. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A problematic client at MRM was served an eviction notice in December 2018 and has until January 31st to remove all his belongings from the site. The Hazmat team attended to client's suite. • A representative from BC Housing explained the challenges of re-housing the individual in this community but stated BC Housing was willing to offer alternatives and explore housing options outside of Maple Ridge. 	
<p>Program Report</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A representative from MRM reported having one empty suite. Applicants are currently being reviewed. • One tenant is palliative and at end-of-life and has been moved to hospice. <p>Tenants are actively working on Recovery Plan goals:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • One tenant has begun going to counselling for his addiction and is waiting for a space in a treatment facility. His goal has been to deal with his addictions, become healthier, prevent another stroke and move forward into other housing. • A tenant successfully realized the goal of finding a one-bedroom apartment with her boyfriend and small dog with the help of Integrated Case Management (ICM) team. The tenant will be leaving at the end of January and moving to a different community. • A Clean Team consisting of five tenants with 2 shifts per week is now in action. Tasks include taking a cart into the immediate vicinity of MRM to pick up garbage and paraphernalia, cleaning floors, emptying garbage containers, 	

	<p>sanitizing tables, etc. The team has had a positive impact on the overall cleanliness of the site.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MRM collaborated with neighbours in sharing camera footage to help police investigate an incident regarding vandalized cars. The combined video footage was able to provide photos to police. • A MRM tenant spoke with and responded to questions from the Cttee. • The tenant expressed appreciation for being housed at MRM. Tenant shared eating regular meals, having a shower and his belongings in a locked room had made a big difference and taken stress away. Tenant stated he enjoyed living at MRM, wanted to be part of a tenant’s committee and fulfilled his goal of having a good meal, taking a shower and watching football on TV. • Pieces of homemade art made by children at the Open Door church were donated to MRM to welcome the tenants to the community. 	
<p>Action items and next steps</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • RCMP reminded both Rosewood Cottages and MRM staff to use safety first. RC and MRM staff might not be properly equipped to attend an incident in progress and to contact police instead of intervening. <p>Additional lighting and cameras:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A parameter check was conducted and 5 more cameras were recommended to the back “L” site area. 	

<p>Other</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Coast representative asked if Anita's Place had an impact on MRM. A representative from BC Housing responded that MRM clients still had social ties to Anita's Place and were visiting the camp. No direct impact had been observed. It was stated that some MRM clients still had items in storage at the camp. • A representative from Ridge Meadows RCMP enquired if an official name had been given to the building. The building as it is, is being referred to as Maple Ridge Modular (MRM). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Coast representative is waiting for a response from the Katzie First Nation who had been invited to provide a name for the building.
<p>Next meeting</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next Meeting has been proposed for the month of April 2019, location to be determined. 	