



Minutes of the Men's Homelessness Committee

October 20, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Electronic Participation

Members Present: Mayor Sandy Brown
Councillor Joe Andrews
Anthony Carnovale
Christopher Sheehan
Louis Sapi
Michael Demczur
Nolan Bentley
Terrance Carter

Members Absent: Councillor Debbie Sherwood
James Jackson

Staff Present: Andrea Shaw

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m.

2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None Stated.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Recommendation:

Moved by Joe Andrews

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved: October 6, 2021

Carried

4. Items for Discussion and Reports

4.1 Mayor's Updates

The Mayor provided an update to the committee on the Notice of Motion and the reasoning for the revisions prior to Council. Mr. Narine from Choices Shelter is working with the Dufferin County to apply for sustainable funding. County has not yet responded to Orangeville's motion but a report will eventually be forthwith.

The Mayor advised the members of recent discussion with Family Transition Place and SHIP for a men's program.

Lions Club has organized radio bingo to commence early December and Mayor Brown will request that a portion of the funds raised goes towards a men's shelter program.

4.2 Sub-committee updates

4.2.1 Real Estate

None provided as the sub-committees have not met since the last committee meeting.

4.2.2 Funding and External Liaisons

None provided as the sub-committees have not met since the last committee meeting.

4.3 U of G Needs Assessment Update

The University of Guelph advised that a total of 63 community surveys submitted. The service provider survey had 32 responses. University of Guelph will provide the draft analysis section set to be completed for October 29 as per their workplan. The full draft should be submitted to us between November 3rd to 8th.

5. Correspondence

None Received.

6. New Business

6.1 Reach out to Clergy Members

The members discussed the importance of obtaining some short-term goals to assist the homeless men particularly with the winter months fast approaching.

The committee will be reaching out to all of the Clergy members to find out programs that the churches may already have, discuss the possibility of "Inn out of the Cold" programs and to potentially arrange a meeting between some committee members and groups of clergy members. The members created a task list and will regroup on Monday to present their status updates.

7. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2021.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.