

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING – AGENDA

Agenda for the Public Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, March 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. virtually via Zoom meeting



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Please note that the meeting will be streamed via Zoom Meeting

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Recommendation: That the agenda be approved as circulated.

### 3. MINUTES

#### (a) **Minutes of the Meeting held on January 13, 2021 and Minutes of the Meeting held on February 10, 2021**

Recommendation: That the Minutes of the Public Safety Committee meeting held on January 13, 2021, and the Minutes of the Joint Environment Committee and Public Safety Committee meeting held on February 10, 2021 be adopted, as circulated.

### 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### 5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 6. NEW BUSINESS

#### (a) **Volunteers for Crime Prevention Programs**

Committee members to discuss strategies for volunteer recruitment of Anmore residents for the following programs administered by RCMP:

1. Block Watch
2. Citizens Speed Watch
3. Crime Watch

### 7. ADJOURNMENT

## PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING – MINUTES

Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting held on  
Wednesday, January 13, 2021 virtually via Zoom

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### MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Tim Laidler, Chair  
Robert Boies  
Gord McRae  
Bryan Mitten  
Sky Zhu

### MEMBERS ABSENT

### GUEST

Corporal Neil Roemer, RCMP\*

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Laidler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the Agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

#### 3. MINUTES

##### (a) **Minutes of the Meeting held on December 9, 2020**

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the Minutes of the Public Safety Committee Meeting held on  
December 9, 2020 be adopted as circulated.

Carried Unanimously

#### 4. NEW BUSINESS

##### (a) **RCMP – Policing in Anmore**

Corporal Neil Roemer, RCMP, provided an overview of policing in Anmore and information on resources and programs available to residents. A round table discussion

with Corporal Roemer and members of the committee took place and discussion points included:

- 3 RCMP members are assigned to the rural unit which includes the areas of Village of Anmore and Village of Belcarra. a marine unit and unincorporated area.
- Coquitlam detachment provides response when rural members are off duty
- Block Watch involvement in the village could be higher. There is a need to recruit more block watch captains and increase coverage. Sandy de Schaetzen, resident Block Watch coordinator can be contacted for those who are interested
- Overview of Speed Watch, Citizens Crime Watch, and Auxiliary programs which are available for participation by residents (volunteers are encouraged but there are currently challenges with program operations due to COVID)
- Enforcement data shows that there are limited collisions in Anmore due to speed issues
- Whether additional measures could be considered to address speed concerns such as speed watch, awareness signs, scarecrow program
- Crime statistics are low in Anmore with limited person to person offences with a slightly higher rate at Buntzen Lake, and very low Break and Enter. Last reported crime statistics for the over 100 communities in BC with population under 5,000, the rural area including Anmore was 3<sup>rd</sup> lowest in the Province
- Desire for continued and increased communication with BC Hydro regarding Buntzen Lake
- Desire for increased communication and engagement with residents from RCMP related to crime noting there are restrictions due to privacy

Action Item: Staff to liaise with RCMP on whether additional communication or information is available that could be circulated or posted to Village website

Councillor Laidler requested that if committee members have any items they wish to be placed on a future agenda to contact Councillor Laidler directly for consideration of those future items.

The committee agreed by consensus to:

1. Request that Council consider traffic calming measures at the next Council meeting.
2. Schedule the next Public Safety Committee meeting for January 27, 2021 at 7:00 p.m.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:18 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Certified Correct:

Approved:

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Karen Elrick  
Manager of Corporate Services

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Councillor Tim Laidler  
Chair, Public Safety Committee

## ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE / PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING – MINUTES



Minutes for the Environment Committee and Public Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, February 10, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. virtually via Zoom meeting

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### **MEMBERS PRESENT - Environment Committee**

Councillor Paul Weverink, Chair  
Grace Bergman  
Trudy Schneider  
Patricia Van Der Lingen  
Elaine Willis

### **MEMBERS PRESENT - Public Safety Committee**

Councillor Tim Laidler, Chair  
Robert Boies  
Gord McRae  
Bryan Mitten  
Sky Zhu

Mayor John McEwen  
Juli Halliwell, CAO

Guest:

Chris Miller, BC Conservation  
Alicia Stark, BC Conservation

#### **1. CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m.

#### **2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Ms. Juli Halliwell, CAO, provided an overview of the meeting format and protocol noting that there will be an opportunity for questions following the presentation.

#### **3. MINUTES**

None.

#### **4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None.

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

None.

**6. NEW BUSINESS****(a) BC Conservation Officer Service**

BC Conservation provided a presentation on Bear-Human conflicts which is included as Attachment 1 and forms part of the original minutes.

Discussion points of presentation included:

- There are currently two conservation officers assigned to the area which includes Anmore
- Bear conflict prevention/attractant management
- Strategies for avoiding bears becoming comfortable around people
- Reporting bear conflicts
- Bear activity updates
- Statistics from last 3 years in Anmore
- Bear safety
- Conservation Officer roles

Discussion during question period included:

- Cougar sightings – reports are tracked for cougars as well
- Village of Anmore paid for bylaw enforcement to give warnings for garbage being left out in 2020 but no tickets were issued last year
- There is no relationship between bears destroyed and hunting licenses issued.
- Attractant audit was conducted in Anmore by BC Conservation and there were no tickets or warnings issued as there were secured attractants in the area canvassed.
- Information reported to BC Conservation is recorded
- Hibernation patterns and the fact the bears do not hibernate every year depending on food source and temperatures
- Anmore has a significantly lower report of conflict than other areas within the zone but there is still a risk of wildlife interactions especially with unleashed house pets

**(b) Committee Procedures**

Mayor McEwen thanked all of the volunteer committee members for their contribution to the Village and provided an overview of

**7. ADJOURNMENT**

It was MOVED and SECONDED:

To adjourn this meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Carried Unanimously

Certified Correct:

Approved:

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Karen Elrick  
Manager of Corporate Services

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Councillor Paul Weverink  
Chair, Environment Committee

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Councillor Tim Laidler  
Chair, Public Safety Committee