



Meeting Notes
Ad-Hoc Committee on Poverty and Homelessness
August 28th, 2019
3:30 PM
Council Chambers, Town Hall
105 Elgin Street West, Arnprior

Present:

Danielle Raymond, Chair
Lynn Grinstead
Lyn Smith
Karen Ann McKinna (left 4:52 PM)
Josie Scott
Amy Scholten (arrived 3:41 PM)
Clark Young
Jade Nauman
Liz McLaren

Also Present:

Oliver Jacob, Client Services Admin. Assist.
Tina Chevrier, ontrac Employment Services

Absent:

Renee Coady, Vice Chair (w/ regrets)
Chris Toner (w/ regrets)
Lee Dyck (w/ regrets)

1. Call to Order

Danielle Raymond, Chair, called the Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty and Homelessness Meeting to order at 3:38 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. ADHOC-024-19

Moved by: Josie Scott

Seconded by: Jade Nauman

Be It Resolved That the Agenda for the Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty and Homelessness Meeting dated Wednesday, August 28th, 2019 be adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

3. Approval of Previous Meeting Notes

Resolution No. ADHOC-025-19

Moved by: Josie Scott

Seconded by: Karen Ann McKinna

That the Meeting Notes from the Regular Meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty and Homelessness dated Wednesday, July 31st, 2019 be adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

4. Matters Tabled/Deferred/Unfinished Business

a. Development of an action plan

i. Goal Setting Questions

The Committee felt like this would be best developed through the next item on the Agenda.

b. Facilitator Discussion

i. Memo No. 2019-08-28-01 (Committee Purpose and Orientation)

Oliver Jacob, A/ Client Services Administrative Assistant, provided an overview of Memo No. 2019-08-28-01 (Committee Purpose and Orientation) and responded to questions.

Resolution No. ADHOC-026-19

Moved by: Renee Coady

Seconded by: Chris Toner

That Memo No. 2019-08-28-01 (Committee Purpose and Orientation) be received as information and that it be filed accordingly.

Resolution CARRIED

During the discussion, the following items were noted for further discussion at the next meeting:

- There is a desire to listen to community members; however, it is felt that the creation of a safe space can be best completed through separate consultation sessions for persons with lived experience.
- The Committee would like to host five (5) consultations broken down as follows:
 - Two (2) Public and Stakeholder Consultations
 - Two (2) Persons with Lived Experience Consultations
 - Including one (1) consultation for the children of participants
- For the youth consultation, it is important to follow all ethical guidelines for research and to clearly communicate with parents about the content and tone of the consultation.
- Consultations could be held at the Nick Smith Centre Community Hall and/or the Arnprior Public Library.
- It is important to consider the barriers that potentially attendees might face (i.e. transportation to get to session, child care, food, etc.).

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- Invitations can be best distributed through service providers who work directly with persons with lived experience; however, there must be some form of tracking attendees in advance of the consultation session.
- Further discussion on the scope of the Committee's reach would be beneficial (Town of Arnprior and/or surrounding areas). The utilization of postal codes might be helpful to identify where participants originate.
- The Consultant should be used to bring together the findings of the consultations and to make broad policy recommendations to Council, through the Ad Hoc Committee.
- The Committee suggested the use of shared document that could be used to brainstorm topic ideas and other discussions between meetings.
- Including businesses and community groups in the consultation process may be beneficial to attracting attendees.

After brief discussion, the Committee directed that tabled Resolution No. ADHOC-020-19 be divided into two separate motions as both operative statements could exist independently of one another.

Resolution No. ADHOC-020-19

Moved by: Renee Coady

Seconded by: Chris Toner

That the Committee request to Council that the allocation of \$5000.00 in the 2019 Operating Budget be utilized for the retention of a consultant to produce a report with a summation of the committees work, an identification of key themes and a list of recommendations for consideration by the Committee;

Further That the Committee request authorization from Council to seek in-kind support from United Way Renfrew County to support this project as needed.

Resolution DIVIDED

Resolution No. ADHOC-020a-19

Moved by: Renee Coady

Seconded by: Chris Toner

That the Committee request to Council that the allocation of \$5000.00 in the 2019 Operating Budget be utilized for the retention of a consultant to produce a report with a summation of the committees work, an identification of key themes and a list of recommendations for consideration by the Committee.

Resolution LOST

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Resolution No. ADHOC-020b-19

Moved by: Renee Coady

Seconded by: Chris Toner

That the Committee request authorization from Council to seek in-kind support from United Way Renfrew County to support this project as needed.

Resolution CARRIED

5. **Presentations/Delegations**

None

6. **New Business**

a. **Memo from the GASC Seniors Affordable Housing Sub-Committee**

Resolution No. ADHOC-027-19

Moved by: Lynn Grinstead

Seconded by: Lyn Smith

That the Committee accept the Memo from the GASC Seniors Affordable Housing Sub-Committee as information and that it be filed accordingly; and

Further That the Committee invite the GASC Seniors Affordable Housing Sub-Committee to attend the September 25th, 2019 Ad Hoc Committee meeting as a delegation.

Resolution CARRIED

b. **Round Table Discussion**

None

7. **Adjournment**

Resolution No. ADHOC-028-19

Moved by: Amy Scholten

Seconded by: Lynn Grinstead

That the Regular Meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty and Homelessness be adjourned at 5:48 PM.

Resolution CARRIED

The next meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee on Poverty and Homelessness will be held on Wednesday, September 25th, 2019 at 3:30 PM in Council Chambers (Town Hall) located at 105 Elgin Street West, Arnprior, ON K7S 0A8.