

Minutes of the **COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE MEETING** of Pitt Meadows City Council held on **Tuesday, June 22, 2010** at 3:00 p.m. in the Meadows Room of the Pitt Meadows City Hall, 12007 Harris Road, Pitt Meadows, British Columbia.

PRESENT:

Elected Officials: Mayor D.F. MacLean
Councillor J. Becker
Councillor B. Bell
Councillor D. Bing
Councillor T. Miyashita
Councillor G. O'Connell, Chair
Councillor D. Walters

Staff K. Grout, Director of Operations & Development Services
D. Rear, Director of Finance
L. Darcus, Director of Corporate Services
M. Murray, General Manager, Community Development, Parks & Recreation Services
Kelly Swift, Director of Recreation, Parks & Leisure Services
K. Zanon, Economic Development CEO
A. Bowden, Recreation Access Coordinator
K. Wilson, Administrative Assistant to Mayor and CAO

Guests: Rain Daniels, Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services Council

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 p.m.

A. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

1. **MOVED** by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bell, THAT the agenda for the June 22, 2010 Council in Committee Meeting, be amended by moving Item D.4 2010 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Master Plan to precede D.3 Bylaw Nos. 2240, 2009 & 2241, 2009: Land Use Amendment and Official Community Plan (OCP) Amendment - Mosaic – Osprey Village; AND THAT the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED.

B. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. **Minutes of the June 8, 2010 Council in Committee Meeting.**
MOVED by Mayor Maclean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bing, THAT the Minutes of the Council in Committee Meeting held on June 8, 2010, be adopted.

CARRIED.

C. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS**1. Summary and Update of New Aboriginal Society – Acknowledging the Aboriginal Voice.**

Rain Daniels, Maple Ridge/Pitt Meadows Community Services Council.

Ms. Daniels provided a PowerPoint presentation which provided an outline of the two years of consultation work that assisted in forming the structure for the new Aboriginal Society. Ms. Daniels explained the definition of registered and non-registered status and the challenges the aboriginal people have been faced with in maintaining their status. She emphasized that there is a need for additional services for aboriginal people on and off the reserve. She noted that to date there are no anticipated funding sources and the model is unknown, however the new Board of Directors for the Society will be working on that. The PowerPoint presentation is included as Attachment 1 and forms part of these minutes.

D. REPORTS**1. Youth and Justice Advocacy Fee for Service Agreement. [1850-1 (2010)]**

MOVED by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Miyashita, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council:

- A. Approve the proposed fee for service agreement for the Ridge Meadows Youth and Justice Advocacy Association and direct the Corporate Officer to sign the agreement on behalf of the City; AND
- B. Direct staff to arrange for a presentation at a future Council meeting by the Ridge Meadows Youth and Justice Advocacy Association.

CARRIED.

2. Universal Design Guidelines for Outdoor Spaces Progress Report.(0360-20)

MOVED by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bell, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council receive the report dated June 7, 2010 from the Recreation Access Coordinator for information.

CARRIED.

3. 2010 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Master Plan. (12-5810-01/10)(Master Plan Circulated Separately)

Mr. Murray provided an overview of the Parks, Recreation & Cultural Plan process and contents of the final report. He also pointed out the successes that have been achieved as a result of the past Master Plan (e.g. Pitt Meadows Family Recreation Centre, Harris Road Spray Park).

Discussion focused on implementing the plan and the need for restraints on the plan to ensure fiscal sustainability. The implementation plan would need to be considered in the context of other projects for the City and sustainable financing for the entire City budget will need to be addressed.

The Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Manager was discussed. Mr. Murray reported that the position is expected to be filled by September.

There was a question about the Joint Parks and Leisure Services Agreement renewal. Mr. Murray reported there is a one year notification to opt out of the agreement by either party. At this point in time the funding model benefits both communities.

MOVED by Mayor MacLean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Miyashita, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council,

- A. Adopt the 2010 Parks, Recreation and Cultural Plan attached to the June 17, 2010 report on this subject; AND
- B. Further THAT the Councils consider the development and adoption of an implementation schedule for the initiatives identified in the plan with appropriate phasing and financing during the 2011 business planning cycle.

CARRIED.

With Councillor Becker voting in the negative.

Mr. Murray thanked Council and expressed his appreciation in working with them over the past several years.

(Mr. Murray and Ms. Swift left the meeting 4:07)

4. **Bylaw Nos. 2240, 2009 & 2241, 2009: Land Use Amendment and Official Community Plan (OCP) Amendment - Mosaic – Osprey Village.(3360-20-2009-08-P)**

(Report included herein received at the May 25, 2010 CIC).

Chris Barbati from Mosaic Homes was not in attendance for the meeting (the City was notified in advance).

Mayor MacLean provided an update on a meeting he had with representatives from Mosaic (Mr. Barbati and Mr. McCarthy) on June 17, 2010. He reported that Mosaic remained reluctant to commit to construction and development timelines for the Village Chapel site as discussed at the May 25, 2010 Council in Committee Meeting.

Council is prepared to consider alternate non-residential uses for the chapel site in an effort to expedite the completion of the Commercial Village.

MOVED by Councillor Miyashita, **SECONDED** by Councillor Walters, THAT the Committee directs staff to arrange a meeting between Council and Mosaic Homes to discuss options for the development and construction of the Chapel site.

CARRIED.

5. **Policy B29 – Council Liaison Policy.(01-0530-01)**

MOVED by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bell THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council:

- A. Adopt Policy B29 Council Liaison Policy; AND
- B. THAT Policy B29 be circulated to all Council Liaison Committees.

CARRIED.

6. **Bylaw No. 2456, 2010 – Procedure Bylaw.(09-3900-02/10)**

MOVED by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Mayor MacLean, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council:

- A. Grant First, Second and Third Readings to the City of Pitt Meadows Procedure Bylaw No. 2456, 2010; AND
- B. Direct staff to Publish Notice of Bylaw No. 2456, 2010 prior to final adoption.

CARRIED.

7. **Bylaw No. 2464,2010 - Officers and Delegation of Authority Bylaw.(09-3900-02/10)**

MOVED by Mayor MacLean, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bell, THAT the Committee recommends THAT Council:

- A. Grant First, Second and Third Readings to the Officers and Delegation of Authority Bylaw No. 2464, 2010.

CARRIED.

E. COMMITTEE ROUND TABLE

Freezing commercial tax rates – (Councillor Becker) - to enhance the City's initiatives to attract and retain businesses.

Graffiti Strategy – (Councillor Bing) – referred to an article in the *Municipal World* magazine that provided models for anti-graffiti strategies. Ms. Grout reported that anti-graffiti initiatives are in her work plan for 2010.

Festivals and Special Events - (Councillor Walters) – suggested that there is a need for a dedicated staff resource for coordination of events. A recent experience revealed the multiple staff that needed to be involved and how confusing that was for event organizers.

Wildwood Area Pathway – (Councillor Walters and Councillor Bell) – have been receiving correspondence from Wildwood area residents regarding ongoing drainage and water issues. City staff have been tracking and monitoring the water levels and drainage capacity. Ms. Grout noted that the City will be retaining a Hydro-Geologist which will provide the city with a technical evaluation of the situation. The results will be brought forward to Council. Ms. Grout reported that she has been communicating with TransLink and confirmed that they have resolved the drainage issues that were identified on the initial trail construction.

Barge Update - (Councillor Bell) – Ms. Darcus reported that Mr. Reitel is working with Metro Vancouver in hopes of identifying an alternate location for mooring the barge while it is being dismantled.

F. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councillor Walters, **SECONDED** by Councillor Bell THAT this meeting now be adjourned at 5:29 p.m.

CARRIED.

Chair

Acknowledging the Aboriginal Voice



of Maple Ridge, Pitt Meadows, Katzie and Kwantlen

A Consultation Summary and Update
June 2010

Here today to....

Review a consultative project:

- Conducted with both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal community members
- Concerning the establishment of a new Aboriginal non-profit organization in the area.



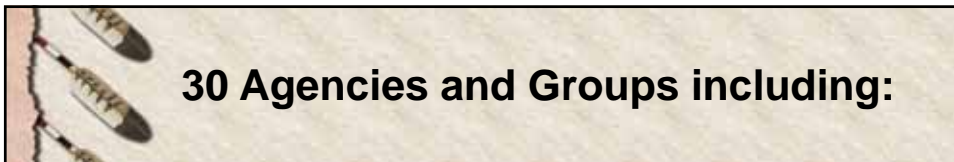


Acknowledgements:

In acknowledgement and gratitude to the Coast Salish People of this land...

And to the 174 participants who offered their ideas, perspectives, and experiences. Aboriginal residents included were:

- parents – birth, foster and adoptive
- Youth, Adults, Elders
- status and non-status
- representation from on and off reserve and....



30 Agencies and Groups including:

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|-------------------------|------------------------|
| Katzie First Nation | MCFD |
| Kwantlen First Nation | Fraser Health |
| Kwikwetlem First Nation | PLEA Youth Workers |
| Connex Teachers | Public Health Nurses |
| Alouette Addictions | Metis Nation of BC |
| Community Kitchens | Spirit of the Children |
- School District 42 Maple Ridge – Pitt Meadows
School District 42 Aboriginal Support Workers
School District 42 Aboriginal Advisory Committee
Ridge Meadows Child Development Centre






And these agencies and groups.....


Salvation Army Caring Place	MCFD Aboriginal Team
Maple Ridge Health Unit	Iron Horse Youth Centre
Greg Moore Youth Centre	Mission Friendship Centre

Maple Ridge Treatment Centre
Generations Christian Fellowship
Matrix Alcohol and Drug Society
Pathfinder Youth Centre Society
Friends in Need Food Bank Society
Family Education and Support Centre
Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Community Services
Ridge Meadows Association for Community Living
Aboriginal Community Engagement Workers – Fraser Health



Project Timeline:

 **September 2008 – March 2009**
Building on the relationships built through Anishnaabe Place, consultations held with residents and service providers.

 **April and May 2009**
Consultation results consolidated into a report (full report on Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Community Services website).

Timeline continued:



June 2009

Community Celebration and report back to the community.



September - December 2009

Search begins for potential Board of Directors for new Society



January 2010 – present

9 Aboriginal and Metis Board members begin the Society development work



Demographics: on and off reserve

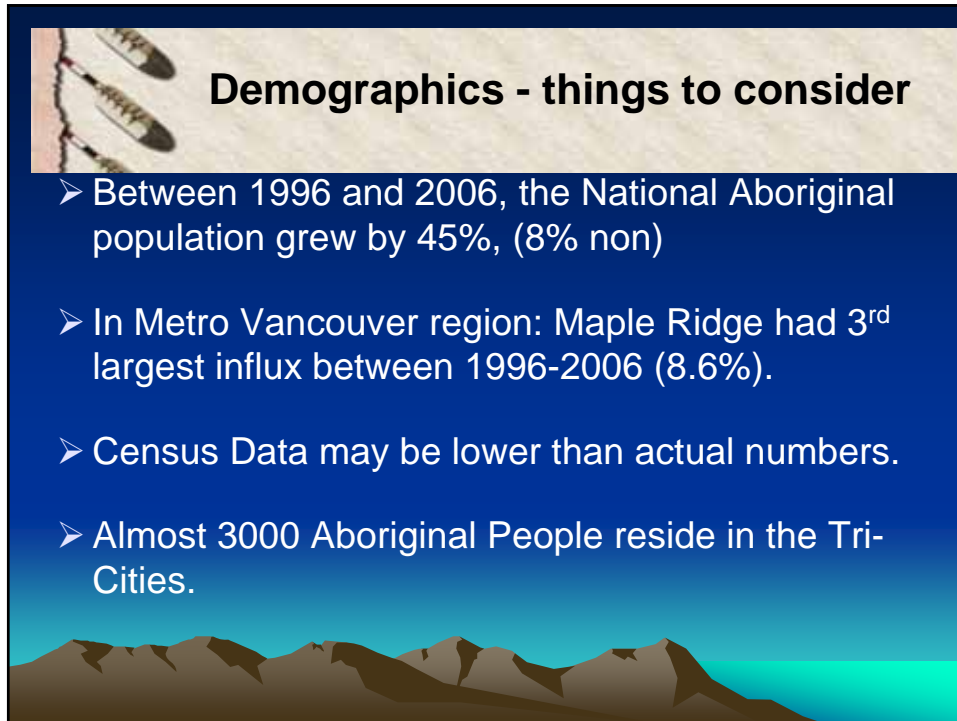
Pitt Meadows: 385 AP
135 are Metis
45% are age 0-19
77% are not registered

Maple Ridge: 1870 AP
1065 are Metis
39% are age 0-19
76% are not registered

Katzie Registered Population: 483

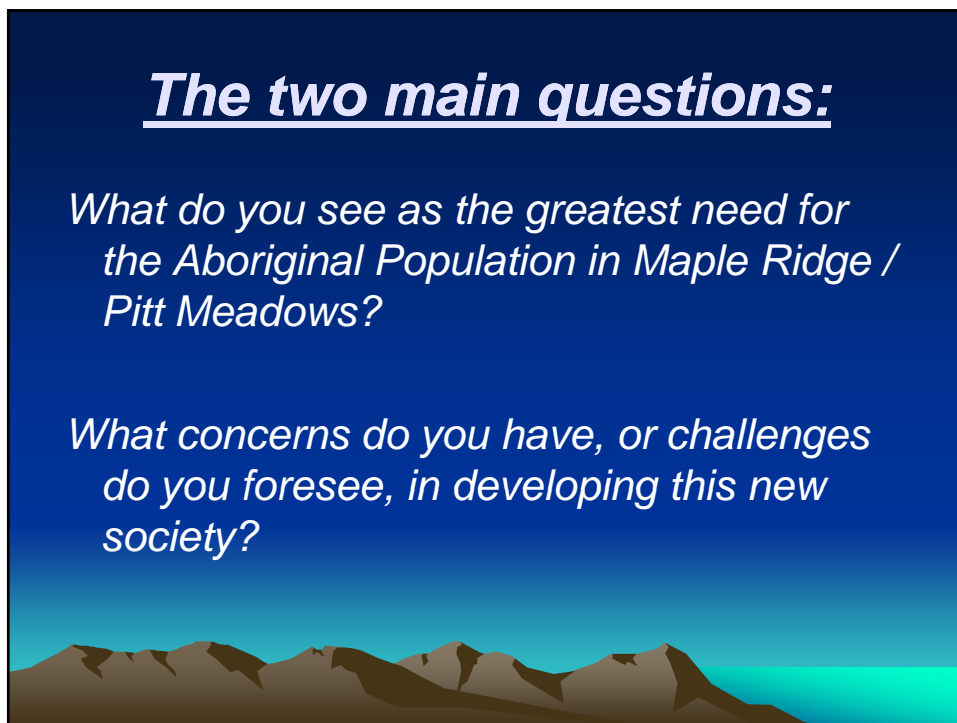
Kwantlen Registered population: 202

Kwikwetlem Registered population: 60



Demographics - things to consider

- Between 1996 and 2006, the National Aboriginal population grew by 45%, (8% non)
- In Metro Vancouver region: Maple Ridge had 3rd largest influx between 1996-2006 (8.6%).
- Census Data may be lower than actual numbers.
- Almost 3000 Aboriginal People reside in the Tri-Cities.



The two main questions:

What do you see as the greatest need for the Aboriginal Population in Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows?

What concerns do you have, or challenges do you foresee, in developing this new society?

Other questions related to:

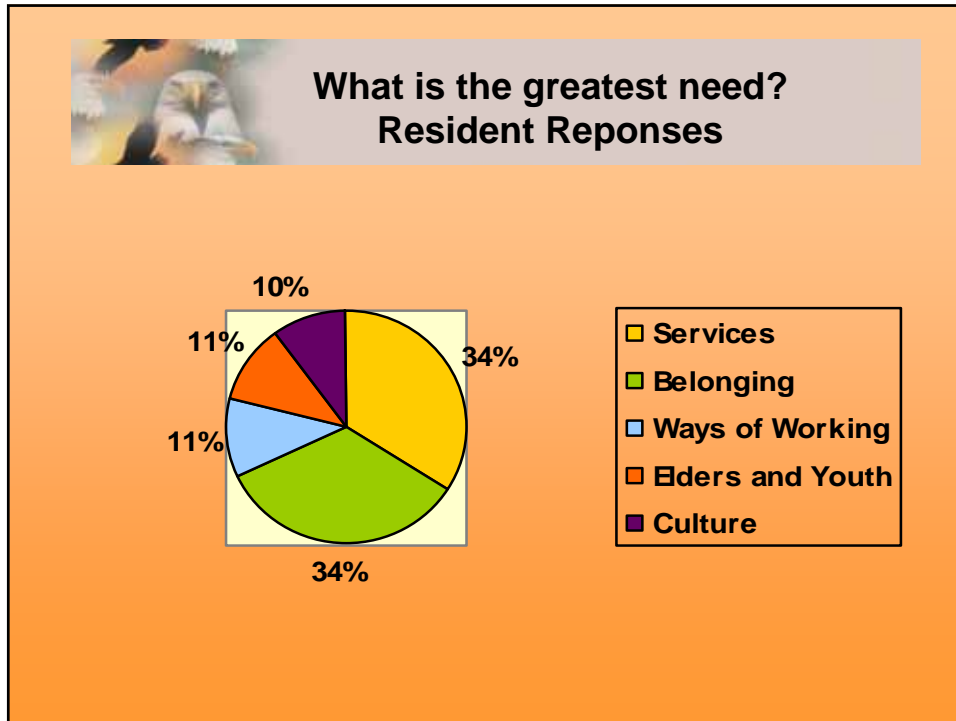
- The current sites where Aboriginal people access services / ceremonial activity
- The needs of service providers to enhance services to Aboriginal people
- Whether people are asked if they are Aboriginal
- What community partners could bring to this initiative

The Feedback:

While some services exist in the area (Anishnaabe for e.g.)

Both service providers and residents acknowledged a 'shortfall' of services for Aboriginal people, and especially opportunity for ceremonial activity.

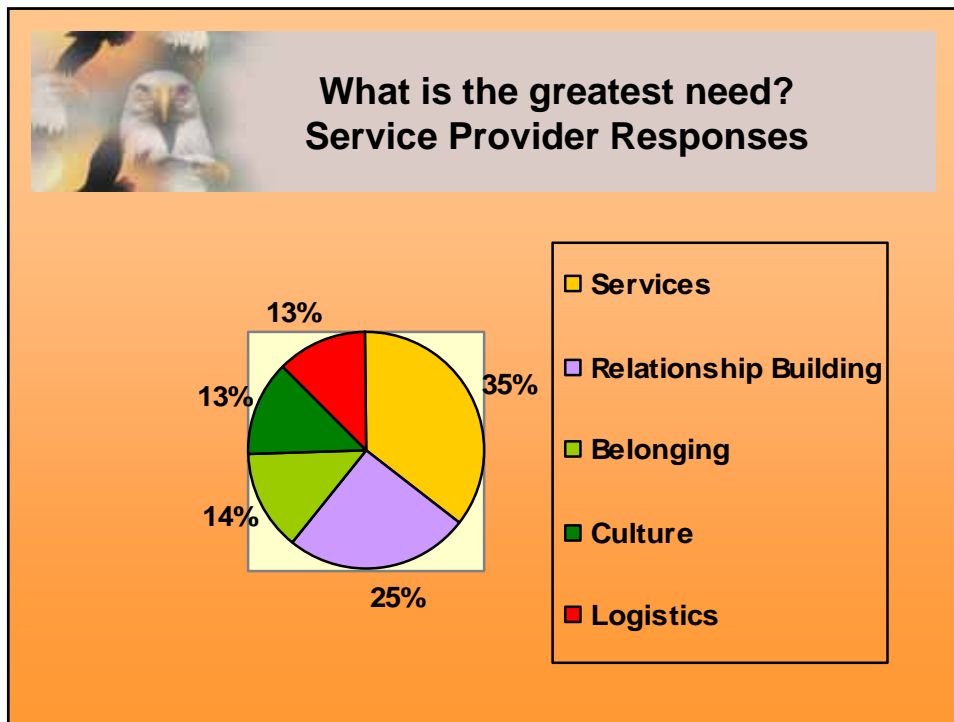




One participant noted:

“getting people together gives a sense of belonging, there is such a high population here but they are very disconnected, with the blend of cultures, many mixed families, they need a sense of belonging, especially off reserve”





A central gathering place, one that is visible, accessible and known in the community..... that:

- Recognizes Coast Salish Territory and the multiple Aboriginal representation in the area
- Makes the Aboriginal presence a priority, and recognizes the large off-reserve presence.
- Is a connecting point for the Aboriginal community, build relationships among on and off reserve residents, promote meaning, purpose, and enhance identity

By having an.....

.....accessible drop-in available without the need for referral or a service need, with flexible hours, a friendly home environment, where everyone feels welcome.



And where there is....

cultural awareness, education, support and sharing for both the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal community



And that includes....

A variety of services that are accessible and confidential (parent supports, counseling, information, referral and advocacy for youth and adults, and a range of health programming).

A safe space for youth (role models, peer support, and leadership training).

Support regarding discrimination and/or prejudice.

Opportunity for artistic community projects and supports.

Relationships with service providers

Build relationships, partnerships and networks and educational opportunities for non-Aboriginal service providers and other organizations to better support the community.

Service Providers expressed
interest to support through:

Logistical supports

Actively promoting the new
organization

Offering workshops,
resources and exchange
information

Assisting with planning and
implementation

Partnering and networking

Increasing their knowledge of the Aboriginal population
and their capacity to provide services to Aboriginal people.

And lastly to maintain Aboriginal
perspectives in service provision with
Aboriginal staff present and maintain ongoing
consultations with residents and service
providers:

*“When Aboriginal people are being heard
and seen on a regular basis, then you
know you are part of the community”*

(Lisa Shepherd, Vice President of Fraser Valley Metis
Association and also a Director on the Board of the
Maple Ridge Pitt Meadows Arts Council)

Next steps.....

9 Aboriginal and Metis
Board of Directors

Find funding, location,
develop organization

Meeting twice a month for 5
months, to date

Continued consulting with
community

Establish organization as a
Society

Aboriginal Day – being
held on June 26th

Community and Municipal Support



Funding for this project provided by
Ministry of Children and Family Development
for the
Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Community Services



Full report available on the Maple Ridge /
Pitt Meadows Community Services
website: www.comservice.bc.ca

If you haven't been part of consultations and
would like to give input or for more
information or updates about this project:

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