

## Agenda Men's Homelessness Committee

# Wednesday, December 1, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Electronic Participation

#### **NOTICE**

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest
- 3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Recommendations:

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved:

4. Presentations

None scheduled

- 5. Items for Discussion and Reports
  - 5.1. University of Guelph Needs Assessment Final Draft

The committee will review and provide feedback on the final draft of the University of Guelph Needs Assessment.

6. Correspondence

None Received.

7. New Business

- 8. Date of Next Meeting
  The next meeting is scheduled for December 15, 2021.
- 9. Adjournment



#### Minutes of the Men's Homelessness Committee

## November 17, 2021, 7:00 p.m. Electronic Participation

Members Present: Sandy Brown

Joe Andrews

Debbie Sherwood Anthony Carnovale Christopher Sheehan

James Jackson

Louis Sapi

Michael Demczur Nolan Bentley Terrance Carter

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

Mayor Brown disclosed a conflict of interest situation as the owner of 3 Zina St., a potential location for the Choices Men's Shelter

#### 3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved:

#### 4. Presentations

### 4.1 Constable Jennifer Roach, Community Liaison, Dufferin OPP

The committee welcomed Constable Jennifer Roach to the meeting. Constable Roach spoke to the OPP programs and the process of dealing with the homelessness and vulnerable individuals within the community particularly during late hours. Dufferin OPP does frequently use the County's hotel voucher system for emergency shelter, placements in Wilkinson Shelter if required, plus such resources as victim services. Each individual is assessed and assisted in accordance of their needs, requirements and available resources at the time.

## 4.2 Randy Narine, Choices Shelter

The committee welcomed back Mr. Randy Narine, from Choices Shelter. Mr. Narine provided a status update on the funding application with the County of Dufferin. Currently the Men's Shelter program is seeking a location for the shelter. The location of 3 Zina St. is an ideal location but as this building is owned by the Orangeville Mayor Brown, there is a conflict of interest when the shelter program is funded by the County,

Provincial and Federal grants. The Integrity Commissioner and alternate people have been called upon to potentially assist is steering through this conflict of interest to potentially move ahead with this location. Discussions continued in regards to the facility specifications and requirements for a shelter, potential renovations and costs, plus location zoning requirements

## 5. Items for Discussion and Reports

#### 5.1 Clergy Roundtable Meeting Update

Mayor Brown and Councillor Andrews provided an update on the Clergy Roundtable meeting that took place on November 12, 2021. Many of the churches are willing to assist. Currently many of them are distributing gift cards but don't see this as breaking the circle of poverty. All churches are willing to assist with pastoral care when necessary and discussed a resources hub. Salvation Army currently was donated winter coats from Canadian Tire and are distributing to those in need.

## 5.2 University of Guelph Draft Analysis Committee Feedback

The committee members have received the confidential draft analysis from the University of Guelph for review via email. The feedback deadline to the University of Guelph is Nov. 18. The committee discussed the analysis and hope to present the final report at that December 1 committee meeting. The University report on homelessness will be presented to council in way of a report as per the committee's mandate.

## 6. Correspondence

None Received.

### 7. New Business

None Stated.

### 8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2021.

### 9. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 8:34 p.m.