

District of Metchosin

Minutes

**Healthy Community Advisory Select Committee Meeting
November 25, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.**

Present: Shari Rourke, Sarah Anthony, Barrett Fullerton, Shannon Carman, Stacey Weir, Kathleen Sutherland, Chief Dunlop

Regrets: Councillor Sharie Epp

The meeting was called to order at 4:44 p.m.

1. Agenda, Additions and Approval

Moved and Seconded by Shannon Carman. and Kathleen Sutherland
THAT the Committee approve the agenda.

Carried

2. Public Participation

- None.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Moved and Seconded by Kathleen Sutherland and Shannon Carman
THAT the Committee approve the minutes of the Healthy Community Advisory Select Committee meeting held on October 28, 2025.

Carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

a). **Community Centre Open House Report**

- Report coming in January.

5. Reports

a) **Chair's Report**

- First and Second reading for District Land Use Bylaw amendments regarding housing have taken place, with additional housing types being allowed along with communal seniors housing.
- Discussion about potential goals for the committee next year, including potential volunteer fair, help with information dissemination, kids and youth nights in the gym, helping vulnerable seniors. Stronger identity as a committee is desired.
- Waiting to hear on the topic of accessibility, and what will be involved with the new regional structure.

b) **Council Liaison Report**

- None

c) Fire Chief Report

- Eight new recruits start training in February, five are already trained.
- Annual dinner upcoming.
- Hoping to apply for \$30,000 in Emergency/Fire Hall grants.
- New Search and Rescue vehicle has arrived.
- The Chief invited all applicants that didn't become firefighters to join the Emergency Program.
- About 48 volunteers at the Fire Hall currently.

d) Seniors Information Resource Centre (SIRC) Liaison

- 46 people came through the SIRC in November, and the organization now has 333 members.
- Very well attended monthly workshops.
- Chief Dunlop noted how very helpful SIRC has been with some challenging situations recently.

6. Other Business

a) Parks and Trails Master Plan Input

- Committee members to read draft and submit feedback to Councillor Shukin.

7. Adjournment and Next Meeting Date

Adjourned at 6:09 p.m. Next meeting will be Tuesday, January 27, 2026, at 4:30 p.m.