

VILLAGE OF HARRISON HOT SPRINGS Age-Friendly Committee Minutes

DATE: Thursday, December 18, 2025
TIME: 2:00 p.m.
PLACE: Council Chambers, Village Office
495 Hot Springs Road, Harrison Hot Springs, BC

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Fred Talen, Chair
Judith Barron
Alison Douglas (at 2:05 p.m.)
Hannelore Gidora
Audrey Johnstone
Marlene Reimer
Karen Seraphim (at 2:05 p.m.)

MEMBERS ABSENT: Liz Webber

STAFF PRESENT: Corporate Officer, Amanda Graham
Community Services Manager, Christy Ovens
Communications and Community Engagement
Coordinator, Kalie Wiechmann

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Talen called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.

2. **LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

Mayor Talen acknowledged the traditional territory of Sts'ailes.

3. **INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS**

None.

4. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Audrey Johnstone
Seconded by Judith Barron

THAT the agenda be approved.

CARRIED
AFC-2025-12-01

5. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved by Judith Barron
Seconded by Marlene Reimer

THAT the Age-Friendly Committee Meeting Minutes of October 16, 2025 be adopted.

CARRIED
AFC-2025-12-02

6. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

(a) 2026 Work Plan/Budget

Mayor Talen advised that the 2026 Work Plan and Budget was approved by Council at the December 15, 2025 regular meeting. The financial plan is set to be finalized by the end of March 2026. The Committee discussed chair yoga and the pay-per-use fee. It was noted that chair yoga was previously supported by the Age Friendly grant and although there is no funding at this time, the funders are optimistic that there will be grant funding available in the future. It was further noted that the work plan does not limit the Committee's ability to bring new ideas forward.

(b) 2026 Meeting Schedule

The 2026 meeting schedule was circulated. Meeting dates are tentative depending on quorum and agenda items.

Alison Douglas advised that she is looking at organizing some events at Memorial Hall through the Community Response Network as a not-for-profit society. The Committee discussed the idea of a dishwasher at Memorial Hall and the different needs of a kitchen used primarily for food distribution as opposed to food preparation.

The Committee discussed expanding services at the Village Health Centre, including a dietitian. The Community Services Manager advised that there is an open expression of interest for health practitioners to rent the space. Fraser Health is looking to expand services beyond the nurse practitioner.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Judith Barron
Seconded by Karen Seraphim

THAT the meeting be adjourned at 2:21 p.m.

CARRIED
AFC-2025-12-03



Mayor Fred Talen, Chair
Age-Friendly Committee



Amanda Graham
Corporate Officer