



Renfrew County Housing Corporation

Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at 1:00 PM

Council Chambers

Agenda

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1. **Call to Order**

2. **Land Acknowledgement**

3. **Roll Call**

4. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof**

5. **Adoption of the Open Minutes - August 14, 2024**

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Recommendation: THAT the minutes of the August 14, 2024, meeting be approved.

6. **Adoption of the Closed Minutes - August 14, 2024**

Recommendation: THAT the closed minutes of the August 14, 2024, meeting be approved.

7. **Delegations**

- a. 1:00 p.m. - Majid Shegow, Ayden Townsend and Arista Ershadi-Vigil, Roth IAMS - Building Condition Assessment


8. **Closed Meeting**

Recommendation: THAT pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, the Renfrew County

Housing Corporation Board of Directors move into a closed meeting to discuss (a) the security of the property of the municipality or local board, and (b) a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the municipality or local board (Building Condition Assessment).

9. Director's Report - None at time of mailing

10. Manager of Community Housing Monthly Report

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10-Year Homelessness and Housing Plan - to be provided on September 10, 2024

10-Year Homelessness and Housing Plan

Recommendation: THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors approves the submitted 10-Year Homelessness and Housing Plan; AND THAT staff be instructed to develop housing-focused initiatives in alignment with the plan's recommendations, Mesa, and the County of Renfrew's Strategic Plan.

11. New Business

12. Date of next meeting (Wednesday, October 16, 2024) and adjournment

Recommendation: THAT this meeting adjourn and the next regular meeting be held on Wednesday, October 16, 2024.

NOTE:

Submissions received from the public, either orally or in writing may become part of the public record.



Renfrew County Housing Corporation

Wednesday, August 14, 2024 at 3:00 PM

Miramichi Lodge, 725 Pembroke Street W., Pembroke, Ontario

Minutes

Directors Present: Chair Anne Giardini, Warden Peter Emon, Vice-Chair Debbi Grills, Councillor Gary Serviss

Absent: Councillor David Mayville, Councillor Neil Nicholson, Councillor Ed Jacyno (City of Pembroke Representative)

Officers Present: Craig Kelley, Chief Executive Officer, Andrea Patrick, Chief Operating Officer, Daniel Burke, Manager of Finance/Treasurer

Also Present: Michael Blackmore, Director of Long-Term Care, Jason Davis, Director of Development and Property, Greg Belmore, Manager of Human Resources, April Muldoon, Manager of Community Supports, Kevin Raddatz, Manager of Real Estate, Margo Smith, Manager of Children's Services, Gwen Dombroski, Clerk, Tina Peplinskie, Media Relations and Social Media Coordinator, Evelyn VanStarkenburg, Administrative Assistant

And Others: Bruce Howarth, Manager of Planning Services, Nicole Moore, Junior Planner, Liwen Zou, Junior Planner

1. Call to Order

Chair Giardini called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The land acknowledgement identifying that the meeting was being held on the traditional territory of the Omàmiwinini People was recited.

3. Roll Call

The roll was called.

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

No pecuniary interests were disclosed.

5. Adoption of the Open Minutes - June 12, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-44

THAT the minutes of the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors meeting held on June 12, 2024, be approved.

Moved by: Gary Serviss

Seconded by: Debbi Grills

CARRIED

6. Adoption of the Annual General Meeting Minutes - June 12, 2024

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-45

THAT the minutes of the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Annual General Meeting held on June 12, 2024, be approved.

Moved by: Gary Serviss

Seconded by: Debbi Grills

CARRIED

7. Delegations - None

8. Director's Report

The Chief Operating Officer overviewed the Director's Report.

The Director of Development and Property advised that the Building Condition Assessments for the Renfrew County Housing Corporation housing units are complete and staff are looking to have the Consultant present their report to this Committee in September.

Junior Planners, Nicole Moore and Liwen Zou, overviewed a presentation on the Regional Incentives Program and Affordable Housing Supports.

The Manager of Planning Services advised that the Development and Property Committee directed staff to prepare a Regional Incentives Program.

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-46

THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board directs staff to update the Municipal Housing Facilities By-law No. 27-12 as necessary to develop or provide support to various programs to enable the provision grants/loans to support affordable housing development including:

- The preparation of programs to fund:
 - Incremental tax relief on the County's portion of taxes;
 - Grants/loans for the one-time construction of an affordable unit;
 - Grants/loans for renovation of existing units to affordable units;

- and
 - The potential support for existing housing program: Rent Supplements.
- Include a recommended funding amount for Council to consider in the 2025 budget.

Moved by: Gary Serviss

Seconded by: Debbi Grills

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-47

THAT the Director's Report be approved as presented.

Moved by: Gary Serviss

Seconded by: Warden Peter Emon

CARRIED

9. Manager of Community Housing Monthly Report

The Chief Operating Officer overviewed the Monthly Report.

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-48

THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors approves an increase to rent in the amount of \$10.00 per month above the annual rent increase guideline of 2.5% for all units within the Renfrew County Housing Corporation that are below the Household Income Limits (HILs) rent rates for 2025.

Moved by: Debbi Grills

Seconded by: Warden Peter Emon

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-49

THAT the Manager of Community Housing Monthly Report be approved as presented.

Moved by: Gary Serviss

Seconded by: Warden Peter Emon

CARRIED

10. New Business

The Clerk advised that Section 73 (d) of the Procedural by-law states that: "Should any Member of a Committee fail to attend three successive regular

or special meetings without being authorized to do so by a resolution of the Committee, the Committee may certify such failure and the membership of such person on the Committee is terminated. Council may appoint another Member in his/her place. Receipt of a written notice of regret by the Committee or Council will constitute authorization for the purposes of this subsection." She noted that City of Pembroke Councillor Ed Jacyno sent his regrets prior to the meeting and that this is the third consecutive session of Committee that he has missed.

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-50

THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors acknowledge Councillor Ed Jacyno's regrets for the August 14, 2024 meeting and authorize his absence as per the County of Renfrew Procedural By-law 85-10, s73(d), as amended.

Moved by: Gary Serviss

Seconded by: Debbi Grills

CARRIED

11. Closed Meeting

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-51

THAT pursuant to Section 239 (2) of the Municipal Act, 2021, as amended, the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors moves into a Closed meeting to discuss the following items:

1. labour relations or employee negotiations (Pay Equity), and
2. information explicitly supplied in confidence to the municipality or local board by Canada, a province or territory or a Crown agency of any of them (COCHI Funding Initiative).

Time: 3:45 p.m.

Moved by: Debbi Grills

Seconded by: Warden Peter Emon

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-52

THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors resumes as an open meeting. Time: 4:02 p.m.

Moved by: Gary Serviss

Seconded by: Debbi Grills

CARRIED

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-53

THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors approves the demolition of the single-family unit located at 135 Francis Street in Renfrew and construct a triplex on that parcel of land; AND THAT the 2024-2025 Canada-Ontario Community Housing Initiative (COCHI) funding allocation be applied to this Renfrew County Housing Corporation project.

Moved by: Warden Peter Emon

Seconded by: Debbi Grills

CARRIED

12. Date of next meeting (Tuesday, September 10, 2024) and adjournment

RESOLUTION NO. RCHC-C-24-08-54

THAT this meeting adjourn and the next regular meeting be held on Tuesday, September 10, 2024. Time: 4:04 p.m.

Moved by: Warden Peter Emon

Seconded by: Debbi Grills

CARRIED

Anne Giardini, Chair

Gwen Dombroski, Clerk

**COUNTY OF RENFREW
COMMUNITY SERVICES DEPARTMENT
RENFREW COUNTY HOUSING CORPORATION**

TO: Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors

FROM: Jennifer Dombroskie, Manager of Community Housing

DATE: September 10, 2024

SUBJECT: Monthly Report

INFORMATION

1. Ending Violence Alliance

The County of Renfrew Community Services Department is a member of the Ending Violence Alliance (EVA), formerly known as Ending Violence Against Women. Community Services Managers actively participate on the EVA executive, attending approximately nine meetings annually and engaging in various initiatives. EVA – Renfrew County includes a diverse range of community stakeholders, such as survivors of abuse, justice representatives, non-profit organizations, government entities, faith groups, and private organizations. The Committee focuses on prevention, education, systemic change, networking, and service provision concerning all forms of violence.

In collaboration with the EVA Committee and under the direction of County Council, Community Services established the She C.A.N. Fund. This fund was created using Homelessness Prevention Program funds in response to the coroner's inquest and subsequent recommendations following the murders of Carol Culleton, Anastasia Kuzyk, and Nathalie Warmerdam. The fund enables service providers to grant up to \$5,000 to victims of intimate partner violence, allowing them to secure and maintain safe and affordable housing.

The Community Services Department provides regular training for staff on gender-based violence and intimate partner violence, ensuring that services are delivered with a supportive and informed approach.

A Take Back the Night march against violence towards women is scheduled for September 19, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. at the Petawawa Civic Centre. A promotional poster for the event is attached as information.

RESOLUTION

2. County of Renfrew: Framework for a 10-Year Homelessness and Housing Plan

Recommendation: THAT the Renfrew County Housing Corporation Board of Directors approves the submitted 10-Year Homelessness and Housing Plan; AND THAT staff be instructed to develop housing-focused initiatives in alignment with the plan's recommendations, Mesa, and the County of Renfrew's Strategic Plan.

Background

Renfrew County Housing Corporation has engaged [OrgCode Consulting](#) to develop a comprehensive 10-Year Homelessness and Housing Plan. The attached plan is intended to guide the development of future service pathways for homelessness and housing supports, with strategies aimed at achieving the following goals:

- **Provide Housing:** Secure stable housing - with supports if needed - for individuals without homes.
- **Prevent Future Homelessness:** Identify evidence-informed strategies to assist people in retaining their current housing to prevent future homelessness.
- **Expand Housing Options:** Increase the availability of diverse housing options, particularly those with support services.
- **Enhance the Homelessness Response System:** Improve the effectiveness and efficiency of the overall system for addressing housing crises and homelessness.

The recommended 10-Year Homelessness and Housing Plan supports the County of Renfrew's strategic goals, focusing on Community Wellness and Health Care, along with Attainable Housing and Infrastructure.

Take Back The Night

Together we march against violence towards women, reclaim our streets, and unite our community.

Date: Thursday, September 19, 2024

Time: 6:30 pm

Location: Petawawa Civic Centre

Social gathering following the march

For more info call: 613-735-5551
or email: communications@rcsac.org



Sponsored by the Renfrew County Sexual Assault & Rape Crisis Centre

Crisis Line: 1-800-663-3060