



Greenland Housing Co-Op

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September 23, 2014

Hon. Rich Coleman,
Minister Responsible for Housing,
PO Box 9052,
STN PROV GOVT,
Victoria, BC V8W 9E2

Dear Minister Coleman:

I'm writing to ask for your help in protecting the most vulnerable members of BC's housing Co-op communities.

As you know, federal rent assistance for thousands of low-income co-op members is ending in the next ten years. This will affect 1,500 co-op households by 2017. And by 2020, almost 3,000 households will have lost the assistance that now makes their homes affordable.

To date there is no provincial program to replace this disappearing federal assistance, even though housing is now a provincial responsibility.

The people in BC's co-op communities who now rely on federal rent subsidies are seniors, people with disabilities, new Canadians and single parents. Without your help they will be at risk of losing their homes when their federal subsidies end.

I urge you to act quickly to implement the rent supplement program suggested by the Co-operative Housing Federation of British Columbia.

Please reassure those who can least afford to lose their homes in Canada's most expensive housing market that your government will help them remain in the co-op communities they call home.

Yours truly,

On Behalf of the Board of Directors of Greenland Housing Co-operative

Lorri Romhanyi
President

GREENLAND HOUSING CO-OP
General Meeting Minutes
Tuesday July 8, 2014 – 7:00 pm.

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| <p>1. Meeting called to order at 7:17 pm. Quorum met. Thank you for coming.</p> | |
| <p>2. Approval of Agenda:
Motion: To approve the agenda with additions: 7: New Business c) Block Watch Rep; d) Kid's Event</p> | <p>M/S/C</p> |
| <p>3. Approval of Minutes – February 25, 2014:
MOTION: To approve minutes as presented.</p> | <p>M/S/C</p> |
| <p>4. Budget:
Budget presented by Lorri Romhanyi.
Motion: To approve budget as presented.</p> | |
| <p>5. Old Business:
a) Report on Visit to External Board at Athletes Village - attached</p> | <p>M/S/C</p> |
| <p>6. Reports and Discussions:
a) Directors report: We now have six directors serving on the board.
b) Committees:
i) Maintenance<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Annual Inspections – handed out information on duties of a coordinator and inspectors. Asking for volunteers for this project. If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Kathleen – Unit 54.- Stain Fence – we will have a fence staining work party to stain the fence that backs Delta Green.- Plumbing Replacement Project – All 3 and 4 bedroom units have been completed. 95% of all plumbing has been completed in all 2 bedroom units.</p> <p>ii) Landscape: Eric has stepped down as chair but remains on flower patrol. Thank you Eric for all your hard work.</p> | <p>M/S/C</p> |
| <p>7. New Business:
a) Special Resolution:
Motion: To adopt the “Campaign Resolution for Housing Co-ops”, which states;
“We Resolve
THAT our co-op endorse the You Hold the Key – Fix the Co-op Housing Crunch campaign;
THAT we call on governments at all levels to act together to maintain rent-geared-to income assistance for 200,000 low-income Canadian households in co-operative and non-profit housing;
THAT we call on the Province to fund and deliver a rent supplement program to replace expiring federal subsidies for low-income members in housing co-ops;
THAT we call on the federal government to commit now to reinvest the savings from expiring deferral housing agreements to share the costs of funding this program.
THAT we commit to working with CHF BC, CHF Canada, our municipal partners and other housing allies to achieve these goals.”</p> | <p>M/S/C</p> |

7. New Business – Cont'd...

b) Hosting “You Hold the Key” Campaign Event

In the early fall we will host a rally and invite members from the other three co-ops in our area. Information to follow.

c) Block Watch Rep – Jill Stanley has volunteered to take on this position. Thank you Jill.

d) Kid’s Event – Alexis Alblas, from the Cambie Community Centre Day Camp program will be hosting a free kid’s event at our co-op. Information to follow.

8. Next General Meeting Date: To be announced.

Meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Minutes recorded and typed by Kathleen Fox