



ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 10:00 a.m.
South Georgian Bay Community Health Centre Board Room
(2nd Floor) 45th Street & Ramblewood, Wasaga Beach

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – April 4, 2019

Recommendation: That the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of April 4, 2019 be accepted, as presented.

4. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- Wing mat extensions – G. Duni
- New Accessible Awareness Initiative – “Flagging Access”

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) Staff Update

- Deputy Clerk :
 - Staff update on number of accessible spaces in lots and locations – Public Works Operation Manager and Municipal Law Enforcement Officer.
 - In-school Accessibility Program/Event Update – Final Schedule
 - Draft Letter “Accessibility Outreach” – on behalf of the AAC
 - Follow up with Committee on noted Accessibility Concerns from last meeting.
- Councillor Update
 - Town Hall Elevator – follow up
 - Follow up with Committee on noted Accessibility Concerns from last meeting.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – June 6, 2019

10. ADJOURNMENT



ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Thursday, April 4, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.
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ATTENDANCE:

Fred Heyduk, Chair
Michelle Heyduk, Secretary
Laura Borland, Deputy Clerk
Kathy Loosemore
Bruce Galbraith
Al Davidson
Kevin Stevenson
Jennifer Bieniek
Vic Defrancesco
John Robbins
Councillor Mark Kinney

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, Fred Heyduk, welcomed everybody and called the meeting at 10:02 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST – None

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING –March 7th, 2019

MOVED BY Bruce Galbraith
SECONDED BY John Robbins

Resolved that the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of March 7th 2019 be accepted, as presented.

4. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS - none

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS –

Wing Mat Extensions- G.Duni -coming next month

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS – None

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) Staff Update – Deputy Clerk

-G.N.E Booth Sign-up is complete – will look to have committee members sign up at a future meeting for coverage.

-In-School Accessibility Program will take place at the schools on May 27th and May 28th,2019 Schedule for Committee members was finalized and will be sent out at the next meeting. June 1st will be the award presentation at 10 a.m. at the Library.

-May 24th is the flag raising for Accessibility Awareness Week. There will be a proclamation from the Mayor and a group photo on that day.

-Addition of a new Accessible space at Town Hall near the front door entrance off Lewis Street. All members of Committee approved and are in favour of seeing this addition.

-New Accessible Awareness Initiative – “Accessibility Matters” Flags/mini flags/stickers/magnets would be placed around Town where accessible things are located (playgrounds, mobi-mats, gardens, etc.) . More information will follow. Will call the program “Flagging Awareness”.

Member Updates:

-Ms. Bieniek informed the Committee about “Green Shirt Day” and Committee is looking to support a proclamation and flag raising for this.

-Mr. DeFrancesco noted some concerns with accessibility issues at businesses/properties around Town. Ms. Borland will follow up with these concerns. Committee will look to draft a Letter to address future concerns in Town relating to Accessibility matters to send on behalf of concerned residents.

-Members of Committee would like to see a staff representative attend a future meeting to explain how they chose the amount of accessible spaces located in Town owned lots and how/why they chose the location of them.

Councilor Update: Councillor Kinney provided Committee members with an update in regards to the new Arena/Libray potential locations, upcoming Town events and the casino. Councillor Kinney addressed questions and concerns of Committee members.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

May 2, 2019.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:00 a.m.

Accessibility Education 2019

Date	Monday, May 27	Monday, May 27	Tuesday, May 28
School	St. Noel Chabanel	Worsley Elementary	Birchview Dunes
Time	9:00-11:00	1:40-3:00	9:15-10:45
# of Students	42 Students	70 Students	65 Students
	Volunteers Participating	Volunteers Participating	Volunteers Participating
Introductions	Kim Lattimore	Kim Lattimore	Fred Heyduk
Speaker	Kathy and Kevin	Kathy and Kevin	Kathy and Kevin
CNIB (Vision Loss)	Sheri Confirmed	Sheri Confirmed	Sheri Confirmed
John Tinsdale (Hearing Loss)	John Tinsdale confirmed	John Tinsdale confirmed	John Tinsdale confirmed
SGBCHC (Mental Health)	Alannah Paylor (empathy)	Alannah Paylor (empathy)	Alannah Paylor (empathy)
Wheelchair Races	Michelle + 1	Michelle + 1	Michelle + 1
Paramedics & Fire Dept	Confirmed	Confirmed	Confirmed
ACC Booth (Accessibility in Wasaga)	John & Al	Vic	Bruce (vision)

***Laura & Councillor Kinney – floaters**



Date

Recipient's Name/Title
Full Address for Recipient

Dear [Recipient's name]:

First Paragraph: Introduce the AAC and tell who you are. State your reason for writing — what you want and why. (If the letter pertains to a specific bill or piece of legislation, identify it in the letter.)

Example: We are writing to urge you to please consider making renovations to your business/your facility to increase the accessibility of your business for seniors and persons with disabilities. Adding a ramp to your facility will add value to you and everyone who patrons this facility.

Second Paragraph: Support the issue you are addressing with key statistics, compelling facts, and/or background information.

Example: The Canadian census indicates that in the County of Simcoe, the proportion of adults aged 65+ is 18% of the population compared to 16.7% in Ontario. In Wasaga Beach 33.4% of our population is over 65. Improved accessibility to Ontario businesses can help generate up to \$9.6 Billion in net retail spending and \$1.6 Billion in new tourism spending.

Third Paragraph: Share your story/the complainants story to clarify your/their position.

Example: As residents of this community, we regularly went to "X" Location or Business, now that my/our circumstances have changed, I am no longer able to do so b/c the entrance to your building is not accessible. (this section needs to be one or two sentences from the perspective and personal experience of the person who is complaining about the issue).

Fourth Paragraph: Summarize and reiterate your position/request. Identify other ways your recipient can help with the issue (e.g., attending school board meetings; hosting town hall meetings if applicable.)

Example: In today's day and age, accessibility of buildings and facilities is no longer a luxury but a necessity. While our aging population will benefit greatly from accessible entrances to businesses, accessibility benefits all members of our community. Persons with disabilities, parents using strollers and individuals with short-term injuries or ailments benefit from increased accessibility. Our community is a vibrant active community, and your business/facility is a vibrant part of our community – I/we respectfully request that you seriously consider making the necessary changes to your entrance to make your business/building accessible.



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Fifth Paragraph: Thank recipient for reading the letter and ask for a reply with his/her position on the issue and/or how he/she will address the issue.

Example: If you have any questions or require additional information on how you might make your business accessible, the Wasaga Beach Accessibility Advisory Committee would be happy to speak to you further about this matter.

Sincerely,



Wasaga Beach Accessibility Advisory Committee

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