



## ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 9:30 a.m.

Held at South Georgian Bay Community Health Centre Board Room,  
45<sup>th</sup> Street & Ramblewood, Wasaga Beach

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**ATTENDANCE:** Fred Heyduk, Chair  
John Robbins, Vice Chair  
Michelle Heyduk, Secretary  
Ruth Angel  
Kim Lattimore  
Mark Ruttan  
Twyla Nicholson, Clerk

**ABSENT:** Frank Nunnaro  
Councillor Ron Ego  
Gerry Reinders, Manager, Facilities, Parks &  
Recreation

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair, Fred Heyduk, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST - None**

**3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – September 25/14 and October 23/14**

Moved by M. Ruttan; Seconded by F. Heyduk  
THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of September 25/14  
and October 23/14 be accepted, as presented.  
CARRIED

**4. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS - None**

**5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS - None**

**6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS – None**

## 7. NEW BUSINESS

### a) Staff/Council Update

Twyla Nicholson, Clerk:

- Update on the proposed activity court; Town owns Beach 2
- Discussions with Town staff; uneven ground and dunes prevents activity court at Beach 2; staff will look into moving picnic tables closer to boardwalk to provide access to the picnic area
- Clerk asked the Planning Department to consider including an accessible activity area in the future plans and visions for the Beach Area 1 & 2; would be a good draw for tourists and events such as the special Olympics
- AAC requested that members be invited to public meetings and open houses and be asked for input and comments regarding accessibility matters in the community
- Clerk working on Accessibility Annual Progress Report – all comments and input refer to Twyla
- Accessibility Week is May 31<sup>st</sup> to June 6<sup>th</sup>; Council will be requested to proclaim the week

### b) Appoint Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary

Moved by Mark Ruttan, Seconded by Kim Lattimore

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee appoints the following positions:

Chair - Fred Heyduk

Vice Chair - John Robbins

Secretary - Michelle Heyduk.

For the 2014-2018 Term.

CARRIED

### c) Schedule for future meetings

Committee discussed moving its meetings to the first Thursday of the month to facilitate timely receipt of the minutes to the Development Services Committee. As a result minutes would only be one month behind. The Committee agreed to move its meetings to 10:00 a.m.

Some members expressed concern in the challenge of getting to meetings in the winter months due to mobility issues; as a result no quorum; suggesting that the meetings not be held in January and February and be held in July and August, if required. This would accommodate members with mobility concerns to be able to attend meetings. It would also provide an opportunity to work on summer accessibility programs.

Moved by Bruce Galbraith, Seconded by Kim Lattimore  
THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee schedules its meetings the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of every month at 10:00 a.m. to be held at the South Georgian Bay Community Health Center for the 2014-2018 term and further that meetings be cancelled for January and February (unless required) for accessibility concerns and be held in July and August, if required.  
CARRIED

Next meeting is June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**d) AODA 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Clerk updated the members on the AODA 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Events to celebrate the introduction of the AODA 10 years ago. The one day event will highlight some municipal success stories and celebrate community champions to educate and inspire the accessibility community. The Clerk will be attending the Burlington event on May 13<sup>th</sup>, to present Wasaga Beach's success story on the mobi mats. An invitation was extended to the Committee members. Bruce Galbraith, Fred and Michelle Heyduk acknowledged they would like to attend.

Moved by J. Robbins, Seconded by R. Angel  
THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee supports the attendance of Michelle Hdyduk, Fred Heyduk, Bruce Galbraith at the AODA 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event, in Burlington May 13, 2015 and further that travel expenses be paid.  
CARRIED

**e) Outreach Public School Program – 2015 – Update**

- Kim Lattimore provided an update to the Committee on the status of the Public School Outreach program to promote accessibility awareness in Wasaga Beach.
- Scheduled for June 11 and 12<sup>th</sup> at Worsley, Birchview, True North and St. Noel schools
- Speakers have been arranged including the Paralympics, Fred Heyduk with his service dog Trump; Breaking Down Barriers will be asked to participate
- Booths will be set up
- Prizes and a coloring contest have been arranged
- Ruth will look after media coverage
- Michelle will solicit for prizes
- Twyla will update the brochure and explore purchasing promotional give aways

Moved by M. Ruttan, Seconded by K. Lattimore  
THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee plan for an Outreach Public School Program for June 11 and 12, 2015 to promote accessibility awareness in Wasaga Beach and further that expenses be allocated from the Accessibility budget.  
CARRIED

**8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

**a) Regional Accessibility Fair 2015**

**9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting is June 4, 2015

*Future Meetings (subject to change with the new Committee: July 2/15 (if required); August 6/15 (if required); September 3/15; October 1/15; November 5/15*

The Clerk noted she will be on vacation for the August 6<sup>th</sup> meeting; Clerk will email members with an update on future meetings.

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:30 a.m.