



## ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

### MINUTES

**Meeting No. 20 Held Thursday, September 26, 2013 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  
Frank Nunnaro  
Mark Ruttan  
Sandra Schwatz  
Councillor Morley Bercovitch  
Gerry Reinders, Manager, Facilities, Parks &  
Recreation

**REGRETS:** Twyla Nicholson, Clerk

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair, Fred Heyduk, called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

The members introduced themselves; Gerry introduced Sandra Schwartz, as the newest member. Sandra introduced herself; Fred welcomed Sandra to the Committee.

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

**3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – June 27, 2013**

Moved by J. Robbins, Seconded by M. Bercovitch  
THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of June 27, 2013 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

#### Gerry reported on behalf of the Clerk:

- Congratulations were given to Morley and the Committee regarding the mobi-mat project. The Town has received a lot of publicity Thanks were given from Gerry. Extra signage was erected and Nancy Island Lions took over maintenance of the mobi-mats for the summer months.
- \$5,000 is proposed for the 2014 AAC budget.
- Simcoe County Accessibility Advisory Committee has advertised for a new member.
- Schedules A-E of the Multi Year Accessibility Plan has been sent out for review; return comments to Twyla before October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Twyla has drafted the Information and Communications Policy and Planning Accessibility Meetings & Events Policy for review.

#### Gerry Reinders, Manager of Parks, Facilities and Recreation:

- Reviewed the 2014 Parks Budget
- Arena audit findings will be reported to Council on Oct 15/13
- Elevator and washrooms need to be accessible; changes are being assessed for accessibility
- Considering the benefits of upgrading the existing arena to give it another 5 – 10 years lifespan or building a new facility in 2017-2018
- Interest was expressed in sledge hockey at the arena
- Working on upgrading the trail
- New accessible playground at Town Hall
- Exercise equipment erected on site at the top right side of the driveway entering the Wasaga Stars Arena parking lot
- The Town is leading in accessibility with initiatives such as the mobi-mats and proposed volleyball court thanks to Frank
- The Public Works Department is willing to help

#### Council Representative - Councillor Morley Bercovitch

- Beach 2 design is proposing to have a recreation area including parking
- Commented on the recent budget meeting

- Questioned if there is extra money in the budget for additional mobi mats; mobi mats will be rolled up and stored away this weekend; signs are being erected to designated beach access and parking
- Public Meeting was held Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> regarding dwellings with second units (basement apartments) and guidelines; anticipated having zoning changes in place by the end of the year
- Zoning change to be in place for year around long term rentals
- There will be an accessibility public exercise program for primary schools being planned. Kim also discussed an education program that included training “as a disabled person”. Accessibility Week is the last week of May/first week of June. Discussions will need to be carried out with principals first.

Moved by M. Bercovitch; Seconded by R. Angel

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee and Kim Lattimore investigate the possibility of educating disability/sensitivity awareness within the public schools.

CARRIED

**b) Appointment to County of Simcoe AAC**

- Received for information.

**c) Multi Year Accessibility Plan & Progress Report**

- The members were asked to provide comments on accomplishments, identification of barriers and future goals, to Twyla by October 4<sup>th</sup>.

**d) Integrated Accessibility Standards 2013 Requirements**

- Employment Standards – HR policies for Council consideration is being drafted; will meet compliance for 2013
- Draft Accessible Formats & Communication Supports & Accessible Meetings Policies – no comments on the policies; Committee supported for adoption; will meet compliance for 2013
- Training – Breaking Down Barriers will be facilitating the Integrated Accessibility Standards training November 28<sup>th</sup> and December 5<sup>th</sup> – all employees, volunteers, elected officials required to attend; will meet compliance for 2013
- John attended a SCAN meeting with 100 people in attendance. The mobi mats were discussed and also pathways.

- Orangeville has similar mats for events. It was suggested that mats are needed at BluesFest.
- Web pages, including the Library, are required to be accessible
- Georgian College will be holding a conference on the Built Environment standard.
- Seminars will be held each month at Breaking Down Barriers; flyers will be put up.

**e) Audible Lights (Kim)**

- Public Works confirmed that:
  - the Town has upgraded 11 of the 17 stop lights to be audible lights.
  - The Shopper's Drug Mart intersection is on the priority list to be done next.
  - The cost is \$15,000 per intersection for audible lights.
  - The AAC was consulted on what intersections it would like to prioritize.

**f) November meeting date (Fred)**

- Confirmed that the November meeting will be for lunch at Swiss Chalet, November 21<sup>st</sup> at 12:00 noon

**g) Breaking Down Barriers Public Lecture Series on Disability Matters**

- Dealt with earlier on the Agenda

**h) Accessibility Public Education Program – Primary Grade Schools**

- Dealt with earlier on the Agenda

**8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

- Regional Accessibility Fair - The Clerk will keep the Committee updated on any upcoming activities.

**9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Thursday, October 24, 2013

**10. ADJOURNMENT**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:40 a.m.