

Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Tuesday November 19th, 2019

11:00 a.m., Quinte Sports and Wellness Centre, Fireplace Meeting Room

Attendance

Members present:

Councillor Garnet Thompson

Mr. Bryan Cuerrier

Mr. David Globe

Mr. Don Carr

Ms. Karen Kitchen

Ms. Jennifer McTavish

Ms. Patricia Russel

Staff Present:

Ms. Sarah Collins, Accessibility

Coordinator

Ms. Hollie Lloyd, Council Services

Assistant

Absent:

Councillor Sean Kelly

Councillor Kelly McCaw

Order of Business

1. Call to order

Councillor Thompson called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.

2. Attendance

Above

3. Disclosures of pecuniary interests and the general nature thereof

None

4. Approval of meeting minutes

Minutes of the B.A.A.C meeting held on October 22nd, 2019 had been circulated.

Moved by Bryan Cuerrier Seconded by Patricia Russel

"That the Minutes of the B.A.A.C meeting of October 22nd, 2019 be approved."

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5. Correspondence

There was no correspondence at this meeting.

6. Deputations

There were no deputations at this meeting.

7. Items for discussion

7.1. Mobility Bus Survey Updates

The Mobility Bus survey is now live. It is posted on The City's website and social media. A press release has also been sent out to local media directing people to complete the survey online or contact the Accessibility Coordinator for more information. Sarah is working with Belleville Transit on a mail-out notice to the 700+ active riders that currently use the service. Jennifer McTavish would like a poster to put up at the YMCA. Sarah will design a poster for the YMCA and other community centers such as the Library and Wellness Centre. She will also inquire about getting the information on the electronic signs at the Library and Wellness Centre. The current contract for the Mobility Bus is up in March 2020, therefore Paul will need the results before then. The committee will revisit this matter at the January 2020 meeting.

7.2. Seasonal Sidewalk Patios downtown Belleville

There has been an increase in requests for pop-up patios in downtown Belleville. Guidelines may be needed to support this type of development. This committee will be looking at the accessible design and use component. The purpose is to focus on the future and what the Committee would recommend to support functional accessibility and inclusive use of our downtown area. Information was provided as to what other municipalities have in place and the guidelines they have adopted. The minimal requirements for a clear path of travel are 1.5m. Sarah is going to generate some questions to help prompt members to come up with suggestions and ideas

that may work for our community. They will be sent out in January 2020, to be discussed at the February meeting.

8. New Business

8.1. Sensitive Santa

A Santa has been scheduled for 3 dates in December. A "Signing Santa" couldn't be found therefore this year's Santa won't sign ASL, and the focus will be on providing a sensory friendly environment. Sarah is looking for volunteers and sponsors. Any families with a child(ren) with a disability can book an appointment to visit Santa, do some crafts and have some snacks. The dates and times are as follows:

- Saturday, December 7th from 9:00am to 12:00pm
- Thursday, December 12th from 6:00pm to 8pm
- Saturday, December 14th from 9:00am to 12:00pm

9. Next meeting

There is no meeting in December. The next meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee has been set for Tuesday January 21st, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

10. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 12:30pm.

Moved by Bryan Cuerrier Seconded by Patricia Russel

"That the Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting be adjourned."