



Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

11:00 AM - Wednesday, November 27, 2024

In-person – Burleigh Falls Inn

Present: Alec Denys, Chair
Eric Thornley, Vice Chair
Thomas Campbell
Carolyn Amyotte, Peterborough County Councillor
Mary Coulas, Township of Selwyn Councillor

Staff Present: Angela Chittick, Manager of Community & Corporate Services/Clerk, Township of Selwyn

The Chair called the meeting to order at 11:05 a.m.
There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest.

1 Deputations and or Invited Persons

2 Minutes – October 24, 2024

Moved by Thomas Campbell
Seconded by Eric Thornley

That the minutes of the October 24, 2024 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be approved.

Carried.

3 Question Period

a) None.

4 Correspondence for Discussion and/or Decision

The Committee was provided with a link to the Recommendation Report related to the Ministry's review of the Customer Service Standard. The deadline to provide comments is January 9, 2025. Individually, members may review and comment on the Standard. Angela will coordinate any comments on behalf of the Committee, circulating comments to members via email for review and endorsement.

5 Reports

6 Other, New and Unfinished Business

a) Site Plan Review – None

b) The 2024 Selwyn Strategic Plan and Recreation Services Plan have been endorsed by Council. Both plans include recommendations related to diversity, equity and inclusion to align with the Committee's goals and objectives.

c) Year 21 Plan – Accomplishments

The Committee reviewed its Year 21 Accomplishments.

d) Year 22 Plan – Workplan

The Committee discussed its Year 22 workplan. Of note is the rebranding of the *Time in My Shoes* program with a focus on sharing personal stories and information. Mary is anticipating that Trent University will be onboard with a program in Year 22. In addition, Mary has also contacted Trent University to obtain support from a placement student (s) to assist with GPS mapping of one or two major trails in the Township.

Thomas noted accessibility issues with gate access at the Bridgenorth Trail, the sidewalk on Strickland Street and the B.E.L. Rotary Park. The Chair requested that Thomas identify these issues in writing to discuss at an upcoming meeting.

Moved by Carolyn Amyotte
Seconded by Mary Coulas

That the Year 21 Accomplishments and Year 22 Workplan be endorsed by the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee and that the plans be forwarded to the respective Councils for endorsement and approval.

Carried.

7 Adjournment and Next Meeting

The next meeting is to be rescheduled for February 27, 2025 at 2 PM.

Moved by Carolyn Amyotte
Seconded by Eric Thornley

That the meeting be adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

Carried.

The Chair, Alec Denys welcomed Mayor Sherry Senis to the Committee's Christmas luncheon. Mayor Senis thanked the members for their work and support of advancing accessibility matters for the Township of Selwyn and the County of Peterborough.