



Minutes of Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting

June 10, 2015

Arnprior and District Museum, Arnprior, ON

Present:

Chair, David Reid
Citizen Member, Jane Dowd
Citizen Member, Tammy Bartel
Citizen Member, Justin Halpenny
Citizen Member, France Guillemette

Also Present:

Maureen Spratt, Town Clerk
Kaila Zamojski, Secretariat Services Coordinator

Absent:

Citizen Member, David Furgoch

1. Call to Order

Chair David Reid called the Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting to order at 7:00 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution No. AAAC005-15

Moved by Jane Dowd

Seconded by Tammy Bartel

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting dated Wednesday, June 10, 2015, be adopted, with an addition to item #4 - March 11, 2015 Minutes.

Resolution CARRIED

3. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None

4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

a) Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes - March 11, 2015

Resolution No. AAAC006-15

Moved by France Guillemette

Seconded by Justin Halpenny

THAT the minutes of the Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee for March 11, 2015 be adopted.

Resolution CARRIED

5. Presentations/ Delegations

None

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6. Matters Tabled/Deferred/Unfinished Business

a) **Nick Smith Centre Change Rooms and Renovations Update (Discussion)**

The Secretariat Services Coordinator provided a verbal update on the Nick Smith Centre Change Rooms as well as the status of renovations at the Nick Smith Centre. The Secretariat Services Coordinator relayed the Directors of Recreation's comments as follows:

- That subject to grant approval the Service Counters are slated to be made accessible as well as the sand in playgrounds is to be changed to cedar weave.
- The Town is in the process of completing drawings for updating the current pool change rooms. This will enable the Town to have this project 'shelf ready', as the budget does not allow for these changes to be made without funding assistance at this time.

As an interim measure a change room equipped with a shower and washroom can be utilized through a request to the customer service representative.

Discussion ensued among the Accessibility Advisory Committee Members with the following being a summary of comments:

- Investigate if the following changes could be installed as an additional interim measure:
 - Accessible buttons installed on the change room and Community Hall doors;
 - A grab bar installed in the change room showers;
 - One toilet and sink lowered in each change room.
- Committee members suggested training is provided to lifeguards and program employees for teaching and management of children with various special needs. Also, it was suggested that specific programs be offered at the Nick Smith Centre for Special Needs children.

Resolution No. AAAC007-15

Moved by Jane Dowd

Seconded by France Guillemette

THAT the Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee recommends to Council that a long-term approach to accessibility in both facilities and programming be costed out as soon as practicable.

Resolution CARRIED

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b) Town Hall Website Statement (Discussion)

The Secretariat Services Coordinator provided a verbal update on the Town Website Statement, indicating the following statement has been put on the Town Website on all Meeting information pages:

“Please contact the Clerk’s Office if you require accommodations to attend a public meeting.”

7. NEW BUSINESS

a) T-911

The Secretariat Services Coordinator outlined the T-911 information provided in the Agenda Package, and responded to questions.

b) Age Friendly Community Planning – Grant (Discussion)

The Secretariat Services Coordinator provided an update on the Town’s application for the Age Friendly Community Planning Grant.

c) Town Hall – Accessibility – Grant Opportunity (Discussion)

The Town Clerk provided information on the recently applied for Enabling Accessibility Fund, federal Grants and Contributions program, indicating further information will be provided if the Town is found to be a recipient.

d) Waterfront Trail & Pedestrian Crossing – Update

Chair Mayor David Reid stated the leveling of the Waterfront Trail is to be completed, as part of the future Waterfront development plan.

The Mayor also noted that a curb cut was made on William Street at Hugh Street to enable individuals with wheelchairs or scooters to access Hugh Street North.

e) Arthur Street and Downtown Revitalization - Update

Chair Mayor David Reid noted that sidewalks are being installed on Arthur Street and the Down Town Revitalization, with many accessibility considerations, has been accelerated to a 2 year timeframe for completion.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. AAAC008-15

Moved by France Guillemette

Seconded by Tammy Bartel

THAT this meeting of the Arnprior Accessibility Advisory Committee be adjourned at 7:38PM.

Resolution CARRIED