



**THE CORPORATION OF
HALDIMAND COUNTY**

Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

Date: March 6, 2024
Time: 3:00 P.M.
Location: Haldimand County Administration Building - Grand Room
53 Thorburn Street South

Members Present J. Pack, Chair
J. deVos, Member
A. Doxtdator, Member
B. Horton, Member
M. Kidd, Member
A. Poirier, Member
F. Rao, Member

Members Absent J. Duggan, Member
S. Patterson, Councillor

Staff Present B. Brown, Senior Economic Development Officer
E. Haase, Project Manager, Communications
K. Hayes, Supervisor, Customer Experience & Communications
S. Sawyer, Senior Community Partnership Liaison
C. Mogridge, Coordinator, Customer Experience & Communications
E. Lindeboom, Accessibility Coordinator
T.Cardwell, Manager - Customer Experience & Communications

A. Call to Order

The Chair Pack called the meeting to order at 3:05pm

B. Land Acknowledgement

The Chair read the land acknowledgement.

C. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

None.

D. Approval of Previous Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes - December 6, 2023

Resolution 1

Moved By: A. Doxtdator, Member

Seconded By: J. deVos, Member

That the minutes of the December 6, 2023 Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting be adopted as circulated.

APPROVED

E. Delegations

F. Items for Consideration

1. Introductions

2. Picnic Table Update

E.Lindeboom presented on the ten new 10 accessible picnic tables ready to be installed all over Haldimand. It was noted we require more to meet compliance.

3. Web Accessibility Update

E.Haase, Project Manager, Communications, presented on the status of the new website. Launch will be late fall/early winter of 2024.

4. Overview of Community Development & Partnerships Program

S. Sawyer, Senior Community Partnership Liaison, provided a presentation on community development partnership programs. Members requested confirmation on accessible lifts at community pools. S.Sawyer to investigate and provide an update.

5. Selkirk Community Centre Signs

Resolution 2

Moved By: J. Pack, Chair

Seconded By: J. deVos, Member

THAT the pole mounted accessible parking spot sign at the Selkirk Community Centre be relocated to the side of the building, in line with the other parking signs.

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6. Update on Haldimand County Signs

B.Brown, Senior Economic Development Officer, provided an update on new Haldimand County Signage. Committee asked if B.Brown could consider braille, QR codes and other accessible formats when developing storyboards for future projects.

7. Accessibility Communication & Promotions

E.Lindeboom discussed plans for promoting Access-Ability week awareness, May 26 to June 1, 2024. Options for creating a job fair with Community Living were discussed. Options for highlighting accessibility achievements were discussed.

The committee discussed potential of doing a partnership between youth with disabilities and adults. Potential of including something with our Indigenous community was discussed as well. E.Lindeboom to review potential.

8. Inclusive Spaces Fund Presentation and Discussion

E.Lindeboom provided information on the inclusive spaces fund and planned projects.

There was specific discussion regarding the planned projects at the Cayuga Kinsmen Community Centre, and the state of disrepair of the parking lot. S.Sawyer spoke to plans to resurface the parking lot in 2026. Individuals of the Committee may reach out to Councilor Metcalfe regarding the possibility for funding from *Community Vibrancy Fund*.

Depending on budget availability, additional benches along Grandview Lodge path would be appreciated. Remaining estimated budget \$10,000. To be left as contingency and review later in the year.

9. Other Business

10. Next Meeting Date: May 7, 2024 at 3pm

G. Adjournment

at 4:57pm

Resolution 3

Moved By: F. Rao, Member

Seconded By: B. Horton, Member

THAT this meeting is now adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

APPROVED

CHAIR

ACCESSIBILITY COORDINATOR