The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes Minutes

Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting

KLAAC2018-005
Thursday, September 13, 2018
1:30 P.M.
United Way Boardroom
50 Mary Street West, Lindsay

Members:

Councillor Stephen Strangway

Cathy Bell

Donald Brown

Sharon Coupland

Lynda DaSilva

Mary Ann Fitzpatrick

Dick Foster

Bill Huskinson

Jane McLean

Crystal Morrissey

Elizabeth Peeters

Norm Price

Joan Skelton

Scott Howard

Ken Van Den Oetelaar

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1. Call to Order

Chair N. Price called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m. Committee members D. Brown, M.A. Fitzpatrick, D. Foster, C. Morrissey, E. Peeters, K. Van Den Oetelaar and Councillor Stephen Strangway were in attendance.

Staff Present: B. Condie, Accessibility Officer and N. Sinopoli, Recording Secretary.

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

KLAAC2018-029

Moved By Councillor Strangway

Seconded By D. Foster

That the agenda for the September 13, 2018 Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, be adopted as circulated with the following amendments:

Additions:

Item 6.2 - Disability Justice Network - M.A. Fitzpatrick

Item 6.3 - Transit Concerns - M.A. Fitzpatrick

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

2.3 Adoption of Minutes from Previous Meeting

2.3.1 Minutes

Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting, June 21, 2018

KLAAC2018-030

Moved By C. Morrissey

Seconded By E. Peeters

That the minutes of the Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on June 21, 2018, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. Deputations/Presentations

4. Correspondence

5. News/Updates from Working Groups, Staff and Council

- 5.1 Accessibility Officer Update
 - B. Condie reported that five new Management Directives associated with the Accessibility Policy are currently being developed:
 - 1. Accessible Buildings and Outdoor Spaces approved July 10
 - 2. Customer Service to Persons Who Use Service Animals to be circulated to the Committee for feedback
 - 3. Managing Notifications of Temporary Service Disruption no changes from previous version
 - 4. Accessible Formats and Communication Supports no changes from previous version
 - Conducting Accessible Meetings to be circulated to the Committee for feedback
 - B. Condie advised that she has developed an accessibility training booklet and to support the booklet she would like to create a training video. She asked the Members to let her know if they would be interested in participating in the video and/or if they have any ideas to share about the video's contents.
 - B. Condie also reported that she is working on setting up display kiosks at the Service Centres and Libraries. Ideally, the display would include a copy of the Accessibility Plan, an informational brochure on accessibility, a poster for the Accessibility Awards along with nomination forms, as well as a customer feedback form.

The Age Friendly Network has created a booklet which includes a planning guide to assist businesses in making their establishments more accessible. A print-friendly version is available on the website.

B. Condie proudly announced that in partnership with Fleming College, the City will be hosting an Accessibility Forum on October 23, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to

3:00 p.m. The key note speaker will be the Honourable David C. Onley, former Lieutenant Governor of Ontario and the theme will be Accessible Education to Accessible Employment. She will be seeking the Committee's input as the planning process moves forward.

- 5.2 Public Awareness (Public Education/Employment/Information & Communication)
 - E. Peeters advised that she had nothing further to add to the information that was provided in the Accessibility Coordinator's report.
- 5.3 Public Spaces (Parks, Built Environment and Transportation (Transit))

Chair N. Price reported that Transit Services is exploring the possibility of offering bus service on Sundays. However, this proposal will need to be approved by Council and can't be brought forward until the new Council is in place.

He also noted that 60% of respondents to a transit survey were in favour of moving the transit hub.

Chair N. Price advised that he has been unable to get to the Lindsay Parks Committee meetings as notifications for the meetings are not being sent out in a timely fashion.

M.A. Fitzpatrick noted that an external rural transit service will begin operations this fall.

5.4 Councillor's Update

Councillor Strangway announced that Committee member Cathy Bell has resigned due to a job relocation.

Councillor Strangway advised that voting for the municipal election is scheduled to take place from October 12th to 22nd. Residents will be able to vote electronically or by telephone and letters with PIN numbers will be mailed to voters prior to September 26th. He noted that voting electronically is easier and quicker than voting by telephone.

After attending an all candidates meeting in Fenelon Falls, he observed that rural transit seems to be an important topic for residents.

The current Council is winding down and there are only three meetings remaining:

- Special Council Meeting September 11th
- Regular Council Meeting September 25th
- Special Council Meeting November 13th

Councillor Strangway noted that with the reduction in the size of the next Council, all existing Committees will be reviewed in the new year. The new Council will determine which Committees will continue as well as the number of Committee members and Councillor representatives that will serve on each Committee.

KLAAC2018-031 Moved By E. Peeters Seconded By D. Foster

That the reports provided under agenda items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, and 5.4 be received by Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee for information purposes.

Carried

6. New or Other Business

6.1 AODA Review

Re: Submission

B. Condie reported that written submissions regarding the review of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act are due October 1st. She would have liked to submit a report to Council with the Committee's input but due to the short timelines this will not be possible. If anyone has comments please let her know and she will include them in her submission. Members may also submit their own personal remarks directly to the Honourable David C. Onley.

6.2 Disability Justice Network

M.A. Fitzpatrick advised members to check out the newly launched Disability Justice Network of Ontario. This organization is dedicated to helping people who are meeting more challenges than they should as a result of their disability.

6.3 Transit Concerns

M.A. Fitzpatrick expressed her concerns regarding the Saturday transit situation. Currently there is only one LIMO bus operating on Saturdays and it is overstretched and overbooked. She emphasized that the City needs to improve

this service by adding a second bus which would also be required if service is extended to Sundays.

B. Condie will advise the Transit Supervisor of the weekend transit situation.

7. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on <u>Wednesday</u>, October 17, 2018, at 1:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Boardroom at the Lindsay Public Library.

8. Adjournment

KLAAC2018-032 Moved By D. Foster Seconded By C. Morrissey

That the Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting adjourn at 2:35 p.m.

Carried