The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes Minutes

Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting

KLAAC2018-002
Thursday, February 15, 2018
1:30 P.M.
Lindsay Library Meeting Room
Lindsay Library
190 Kent Street West, Lindsay, Ontario

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

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1. Call to Order

N. Price called the meeting to order at 1:32 p.m. Committee Members D. Brown, L. DaSilva, M.A. Fitzpatrick, D. Foster, B. Huskinson, J. McLean, E. Peeters and Councillor S. Strangway were in attendance.

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

Late arrival: S. Coupland at 1:45 p.m.

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

KLAAC2018-007

Moved By E. Peeters Seconded By L. DaSilva

That the agenda for the February 15, 2018 Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting be adopted with the following amendment:

Addition:

6.2 LIMO Eligibility

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 KLAAC2018-002.2.3.1

Minutes, Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, January 18, 2018

KLAAC2018-008

Moved By D. Foster

Seconded By L. DaSilva

That the minutes of the Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting held on January 18, 2018, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. Deputations/Presentations

4. Correspondence

There was no correspondence received.

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

- 5.1 Accessibility Officer Update
- 5.1.1 Terms of Reference

Review, recommendations and update

B. Condie advised that C. Ritchie, City Clerk, has requested the Members to review and comment on the Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Terms of Reference.

Discussion followed regarding the term of appointment. E. Peeters suggested that the Accessibility Officer contact her colleagues throughout the province in order to obtain information on the Terms of Reference in other municipalities. B. Condie agreed to make inquiries and then report back to the Committee.

D. Foster requested clarification regarding the need for a review. Councillor Strangway responded by noting that there are currently 52 Committees and 16 Councillors. As the City moves towards the new Council structure, he suggested that changes may be necessary to determine how 8 Councillors can continue to provide the appropriate support for all the Committees.

KLAAC2018-009

Moved By E. Peeters

Seconded By J. McLean

That this item be deferred for further discussion to the next scheduled meeting.

Carried

5.1.2 Public Accessibility and Visioning Exercise - February 1 and 8, 2018

Review of comments (separate handout)

A summary of the notes and comments from the visioning exercises was distributed to the Committee. As two pages were missing from the documents, B. Condie advised that she will recirculate the package. She requested that the members review the comments and start thinking about suggested actions on how the City/Committee might be able to achieve some of the recommendations.

- B. Condie announced that in partnership with Economic Development, two more additional sessions have been scheduled:
- 1. Wednesday, March 21, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m. at Coronation Hall in Omemee
- 2. Tuesday, March 27, 2018 from 7:00 p.m. 8:30 p.m. at the Senior Citizens' Hall on Murray Street in Fenelon Falls.

Information about these sessions will be circulated to businesses and the general public.

- 5.2 Public Awareness (Public Education/Employment/Information & Communication)
 - E. Peeters reminded everyone that the deadline for the Accessibility Awards nominations is Friday, March 2, 2018 by 4:30 p.m. Applications are available online but attachments will need to be forwarded to B. Condie, Accessibility Officer.
- 5.3 Public Spaces (Parks, Built Environment and Transportation (Transit))
 - N. Price reported that Council decided not to apply for a provincial Community Transportation Grant which was available to support improved rural transportation access. It was further decided that the City would not review transportation needs again until 2023. J. McLean commented that the decision was both short-sighted and irresponsible. Councillor Strangway noted that some councillors felt that the City would be unable to sustain the services once the grant had ended. He added that he was disappointed that this opportunity had been missed.

5.4 Councillor's Update

Councillor Strangway did not wish to comment further on transit issues but he did want the Committee members to know that he supports a rural transit plan.

He also congratulated B. Condie and B. Stonehouse on the success of the two Accessibility and Visioning Workshops. He noted, however, that while we have done a good job, more work needs to be done. It was evident from the responses that communication is lacking as people are not necessarily aware of the accessible accommodations that are already in place.

KLAAC2018-010 Moved By J. McLean Seconded By L. DaSilva

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

Carried

6. New or Other Business

6.1 Terms of Office

This item was dealt with in Item 5.1.1 so no further discussion was required.

6.2 LIMO Eligibility

L. DaSilva advised the Committee that any City of Kawartha Lakes resident who qualifies can apply to use the LIMO service while they are in the Town of Lindsay. Discussion followed with several members unaware that residents outside of Lindsay were eligible for the service. B. Condie will confirm the service eligibility with T. Bryant, Manager of Fleet and Transit Services and report back to the Committee.

7. Next Meeting

B. Condie announced that she had received a number of regrets for the scheduled meeting on March 15, 2018. After discussion, the Committee agreed to cancel the March 15th meeting.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 19, 2018 at 1:30 p.m. in the Lower Level Boardroom at the Lindsay Public Library.

KLAAC2018-011

Moved By E. Peeters Seconded By L. DaSilva

That the cancellation of the March 15, 2018 Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be approved.

Carried

8. Adjournment

KLAAC2018-012 Moved By J. McLean Seconded By L. DaSilva

That the Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting adjourn at 3:15 p.m.

Carried