

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes
MINUTES
KAWARTHA LAKES ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

KLAAC2016-007
Thursday, November 17, 2016
2:00 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
Brenda O'Keefe
Elizabeth Peeters
Norm Price

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**

N. Price called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. with the following members present: S. Coupland, L. Dasilva, M. Fitzpatrick, G. Foster, B. Huskinson, J. McLean, C. Morrissey and E. Peeters.

Staff present: B. Condie, Accessibility Coordinator and S. O'Connell, Recording Secretary.

Late Arrivals: Councillor S. Strangway 2:05 p.m., C. Bell, 2:07 p.m., D. Brown 2:50 p.m.

2. **ADMINISTRATIVE BUSINESS**

2.1 **Adoption of Agenda**

KLAAC2016-049

Moved By L. DaSilva

Seconded By E. Peeters

RESOLVED THAT the agenda for the November 17, 2016 City of Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be adopted with the following amendments:

Additions:

7.2 The Clear Bag Garbage Program
How the Program Relates to Accessibility

7.3 Text to 911 Program

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 **Adoption of Minutes, October 20, 2016 Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting**

KLAAC2016-050

Moved By J. McLean

Seconded By L. DaSilva

RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the October 20, 2016 Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting, be adopted.

CARRIED

3. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations.

4. CORRESPONDENCE

There was no correspondence.

5. NEWS/UPDATES FROM WORKING GROUPS, STAFF AND COUNCIL

5.1 Accessibility Coordinator Update

B. Condie provided the following updates to the Committee:

- The City of Kawartha Lakes website is currently under review and residents have an opportunity to provide comments through an online survey that is available on the City's website.
- B. Condie discussed sidewalks within the Town of Lindsay and noted that the number of newly constructed curb cuts is encouraging. It was also noted that truncated domes are being installed at some major intersections to aid individuals with vision impairment. The durability of the truncated domes will be monitored over the winter months.
- The Kawartha Region Conservation Authority is in the process of completing upgrades that will include an accessible washroom and an accessible dock.
- B. Condie also advised that two projects are underway in Lindsay which will focus on the revitalization of the downtown core and the potential creation of a heritage conservation district. The Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee has participated in and made comment on both projects.

5.1.1 The Kawartha Lakes AAC Draft Work Plan Tool

B. Condie reviewed the Work Plan Tool that has been assembled to outline the Committee's 2017 initiatives. The Committee discussed the 2017 Work Plan and B. Condie responded to questions from the Committee.

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Moved By L. DaSilva

Seconded By J. McLean

RESOLVED THAT the City of Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee endorse the proposed 2017 work plan; and
THAT a Report, including the Committee's 2017 work plan, be forwarded to Council for information purposes.

CARRIED

5.1.2 Accessible Parking Spaces

B. Condie advised that she was contacted by a resident regarding a concern over the number of accessible parking spaces within downtown Lindsay. B. Condie circulated a diagram illustrating the number of accessible parking spaces within parking areas that are either owned or leased by the City of Kawartha Lakes. It was noted that the City has exceeded the minimum standards that are required for accessible parking spaces and that the City has no control over the number of accessible parking spaces within privately owned parking areas. B. Condie will respond to the resident accordingly.

5.2 Communication, Employment and Public Awareness Working Group

E. Peeters provided an update on the following items:

- A plaque is being created to commemorate all of the Accessibility Awareness Recognition Award recipients.
- They are working on a series of educational articles regarding accessibility and are hoping to have some published in the Promoter and in the Kawartha Lakes This Week.
- E. Peeters asked for the Committee's input on how the Working Group should be focusing their efforts (i.e. an advisory role vs. promoting accessibility awareness). The Committee discussed the issue and concluded that their focus applies to both an advisory role and the promotion of accessibility awareness, the issues are not mutually exclusive.

5.3 Parks and Transportation Working Group

N. Price advised that an accessible playground is being installed in Riviera Park in Lindsay.

5.4 Built Environment Working Group

B. Huskinson advised that there have not been any site plans reviewed since the last meeting. B. Huskinson did note that in 2012 the Committee reviewed site

plans for a residential apartment development on Victoria Avenue South in Lindsay and the construction of that development is now underway.

5.5 Councillor's Update

Councillor Strangway provided a report on the following items:

- An initiative is underway in Bobcaygeon that will facilitate an accessible Trans Canada trail connection within Bobcaygeon. The plans for the project will be forwarded to the Committee for comment.
- The 2017 Capital Budget has been adopted by Council and there are a number of projects that include accessible elements.
- Vacant positions on the Committee were advertised and there is one potential member and the interview process is underway.
- The Committee was asked to start contemplating possible nominations for the 2017 Accessibility Awareness Recognition Awards.
- Council has resolved that the size of council will be reduced from 16 Councillors to 8 Councillors.
- The Corridor Studies being completed within Lindsay are complete and will be presented to Council.

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Moved By L. DaSilva

Seconded By M.A. Fitzpatrick

RESOLVED THAT the reports provided under agenda items 5.1, 5.2, 5.3, 5.4 and 5.5 be received by Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee for information purposes.

CARRIED

6. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

7. NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 Closed Session Item

David C. Onley Accessibility Award

Proposed Nomination

Personal Matters About Identifiable Individuals

Municipal Act, 2001 S.239(b)

KLAAC2016-053

Moved By L. DaSilva

Seconded By E. Peeters

RESOLVED THAT the Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee convene into closed session at 3:49 p.m. in order to consider matters on the Thursday, November 17, 2016 Closed Session Agenda and that are permitted to be discussed in a session closed to the public pursuant to Section 239(2) of the Municipal Act, S.O. 2001. S.25

CARRIED

7.2 Clear Garbage Bag Program

How the Program Relates to Accessibility

The Committee discussed whether or not residents will be able to easily acquire clear garbage bags. The Committee questioned how garbage collection at large residential complexes will be addressed. The Committee also noted that the provision for one small privacy bag may not be sufficient for individuals who have medical waste. Councillor Strangway will look into both issues and will report back.

7.3 Text to 911 Program

C. Morrissey advised that the Kawartha Lakes Police Service now has Text to 911 capabilities. Under the program residents with a hearing or speech impairment can register for the program, through their cellular provider. Once an individual is registered for the program they will be able to contact 911 through a standard phone call through their mobile device and they will automatically be able to communicate with the 911 dispatcher via text message. A national initiative is underway to advertise the Text to 911 program.

8. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be at the call of the chair.

9. ADJOURNMENT

KLAAC2016-056

Moved By L. DaSilva

Seconded By C. Morrissey

RESOLVED THAT the November 17, 2016 Kawartha Lakes Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting adjourn at 3:54 p.m.

CARRIED