

PETAWAWA ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

June 27, 2019 @ 1:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Sheila Clarke, Theresa Sabourin, Sharon Slaney, Alison Morris, Sheri Waterfall, Kate Bennett

REGRETS: Mary Bentley

1. Welcome and Introductions – S. Clarke welcomed the members of the committee and opened the meeting at 1:35 p.m.
2. Adoption of Agenda – Moved by T. Sabourin, seconded by S. Slaney to approve the agenda. Motion carried.
3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest – None.
4. Adoption of previous minutes of May 23, 2019 – received as information.
5. Old Business:
 - a. Accessible Awareness Training for Council

T. Sabourin reported that not all Council members have completed their Accessible Awareness training module and requested that K. Bennett send a reminder email with a link to the training module to all members of Council.

It was also requested that K. Bennett pull data from the training matrix to determine if all staff have completed the training session.
6. New Business:
 - a. Ministry Training Webinar for Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committees

Received as information. K. Bennett is to circulate an electronic copy of the presentation to the committee.
7. Correspondence:
 - a. Letter of Resignation – J. Nieman

Received as information.

b. VIMCO Site Plan Review – PAAC Recommendations

Received as information.

The committee had a brief discussion regarding site plan reviews and noted they had sent recommendations in 2017 to the new Marriott Towneplace Hotel and Suites to consider installing a Hoyer lift system as the guestroom mattress heights were not ideal for persons that require lifts to aid them into and out of bed. The committee did not receive follow up from their recommendation.

K. Bennett is to speak with Karen Cronier, Director of Planning and Development if follow up letters from PAAC recommendations could be requested and a follow up on whether or not a Hoyer lift system was installed at the Marriott Hotel.

8. Member Input

T. Sabourin reported that she had received an email from a resident of Black Bay inquiring about where he could purchase a Mobi-Mat for his property. T. Sabourin provided the gentleman with Parks and Recreation Facilities Supervisor, Mark Reinert's contact information as he purchased the Petawawa Point Mobi-Mat and has the manufactures information.

S. Clarke reported that she received an email from Michael Barber, Media Relations and Grants Coordinator from the County of Renfrew encouraging organizations to apply for funding under the Youth Innovation Component of the Enabling Accessibility Fund (EAF). The EAF Youth Innovation Component provides an opportunity for youths to have a direct impact in the lives of people with disabilities by addressing accessibility barriers in public spaces or workplaces within their community or surrounding communities. Through this work, youths create greater awareness about accessibility needs and encourage organizations to apply for EAF funding to address existing accessibility barriers and build a more inclusive and accessible province. The committee requested that the information be forwarded to Director of Community Services, Kelly Williams as he may have interested candidates for this initiative.

9. Next meeting – September 26, 2019 at 1:30 p.m.

10. The meeting adjourned at 1:55 p.m. to the call of the Chair.