



Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

3:00 PM - Wednesday, March 24, 2021

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The Accessibility Advisory Committee of the Township of Selwyn and the County of Peterborough was called to order on Wednesday, March 24, 2021, at 3:07 PM, with the following members present:

Present: Carolyn Amyotte, Peterborough County Councillor
Anita Locke, Township of Selwyn Councillor
Eric Thornley, Chair
Alec Denys, Vice Chair
Thomas Campbell

Staff Present: Angela Chittick, Manager of Community & Corporate Services/Clerk, Township of Selwyn
Kari Stevenson, Manager, Legislative Services/Clerk, County of Peterborough
Sarah Boyd, Secretary, County of Peterborough

1 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

No declarations were made.

2 Deputations and or Invited Persons

3 Minutes

a) Minutes of November 25, 2020

Moved by: Anita Locke

Seconded by: Alec Denys

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of its meeting held November 25, 2020.

Carried

4 Question Period

5 Correspondence for Discussion and/or Decision

a) Gord Young

Re: Water Street – Accessible Parking

Angela Chittick stated that she had communicated with Mr. Young to obtain a clearer understanding of his concerns related to the accessible parking spaces proposed for the Water Street construction and advised him that the

Accessibility Advisory Committee had a discussion on the concept and will have an opportunity to comment on the final drawings.

Angela Chittick recommends that the detailed engineering design be brought forward to a future meeting to discuss location and sizes of the spaces.

b) CELA (Centre for Equitable Library Access)
Re: Request for Support

The Committee reviewed the letter from CELA and their draft letter to the federal government.

Moved by: Anita Locke

Seconded by: Carolyn Amyotte

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee supports the request from the Centre for Equitable Library Access (CELA) and requests staff prepare a letter to the federal Minister of Employment, Workforce Development and Disability Inclusion, the Hon. Carla Qualtrough, the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Finance, the Hon. Chrystia Freeland and the local Member of Parliament to request the funding for accessible reading materials be fully restored; and

That the letter requests the federal government to reconsider its decision as \$4 Million dollars is a small amount of money compared to the impact the cuts will make on those with vision loss, learning disabilities and physical disabilities; and

That the Committee recommends to its respective Councils that they support this motion and also forward a letter to the federal government requesting reconsideration; and

That the Committee forward this motion to the other seven lower-tier municipal Councils for their support. **Carried**

c) Correspondence - Information Items

The Committee reviewed the three correspondence items for information. The committee staff members will ask the Township and County to promote the accessible raised garden bed being constructed this Spring/Summer in Lakefield.

6 Reports

a) The Link

The Committee reviewed the new Link bus routes and also viewed photos depicting the locations of accessible bus stops. The buses will be accessible however not every bus stop will be accessible. The route shows solid lines on the map where designated bus stops are located, including the locations that

are accessible. The dotted lines on the map show locations where the bus can be flagged down to stop for pick-ups. These flagged areas are not accessible.

7 Other, New and Unfinished Business

- a) Site Plan Review for 107 Queen Street, Lakefield
Angela Chittick provided an overview to the Committee regarding the addition to Lakefield Restaurant. The addition is to supplement more seating for COVID protocols. There are no changes to the parking lot or parking spaces. The Committee did not provide recommendations at this time.
- b) Year 18 Plan – Updates
The Committee would like to take a tour on The Link if possible.

8 Next Meeting and Adjournment

- a) The next meeting will be held on April 28, 2021.

The Committee adjourned at 3:48 p.m.