

MINUTES

Date: Thursday September 21, 2023

Location: Memorial Arena Auditorium

Time: 3:30 p.m.

4:50 p.m. The meeting convened with M. Sylvester, Chair presiding.

Attendance:

Members

Michelle Sylvester, Chair

Catherine Topping, Vice Chair

Councillor Rose Gibson

John Allen

Ken Lizotte

City Officials

Jon Hindley, Deputy City Clerk

Absent

Joe Docherty Jr.

Sheila Rodaway

Amanda Stark

Ed Vandermaarel

DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST

NIL

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Motion by Councillor Gibson - J. Allen:

THAT: The minutes of the meeting held on August 24, 2023, be confirmed.

Carried.

REPORTS of COMMITTEES

1. Budget

The members discussed the fact that the Municipality of Central Elgin was now covering the cost of the Dreams Come True Music Studio performance.

The members discussed purchasing coffee and refreshments for the event.

Motion by C. Topping – J. Allen:

THAT: The Committee supports the approximate expenditures of \$200 for coffee and tea and \$100 for snacks for the AccessAbility Open House.

Carried.

2. Special Events

There was no update under this Committee.

3. Site Plan Control

The Vice Chair advised that two site plan control applications had recently been circulated including a new apartment building on St. Anne's Place, in which she recommended an additional accessible parking space.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

1. Remembrance Day Special Event & Road Closure

Councillor Gibson advised that she had attended the recent Special Events Committee meeting and that arrangements were being made to have a dedicated barrier-free area for paratransit drop-offs and pickups.

2. Open House

Councillor Gibson advised that the tablecloths should arrive this week.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Blind Square in Pinafore Park

The Deputy City Clerk provided an overview of the inquiry to map Pinafore Park in the Blind Square application. He advised that there were no requests to cover any costs at this time.

The members expressed their support for the initiative.

2. Provincial Funding and Grant Opportunities

The members discussed providing more materials about this topic for the next meeting.

NEXT MEETING

To be determined.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion by C. Topping - Councillor Gibson

THAT: The committee adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Carried.