

# **St. Thomas Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting**

## **MINUTES March 23, 2017**

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**Location:** St. Thomas Seniors' Centre

**Time:** 8:30 a.m.

**Present:** Councillor Joan Rymal, Ginny Chapman, Lisa Kelly, Don Shaw, Cathy Topping, Jim Stacey, Brendan Kamps

**Regrets:** David McNea, Jim Trieu, Graham Dart

Meeting was called to order at 8:30 a.m.

### **ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

Motion by Joan Rymal to adopt the minutes from the November 24, 2016, meeting, seconded by Cathy Topping. All in favour, CARRIED. Note: There were no minutes from the January, 2017 meeting as there was no quorum.

### **UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS**

1. Memorial for Ed McLachlan – Everything has been paid, just waiting for word that both memorials are ready. Cathy Topping to follow up. Cathy also mentioned that she has put Ed's name forward for the wall at the Timken Centre. She will follow up on this as well.

### **PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS**

None

### **MUNICIPAL ACCESSIBILITY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE**

1. Graham Dart will now attend as a representative of the Technical Committee. Unfortunately, he was unable to attend this meeting, however, he verbally stated the Technical Committee has not had a meeting in quite a while. He will attend the next meeting.

### **ACCESSIBILITY PLAN**

Nothing New

### **SITE PLAN COMMITTEE**

1. Cathy stated that she reviewed the site plans for the senior's residence on Moore St as well as the senior's residence on Myrtle St. She stated that she requested parking spots for a large van at each location and this was added to the plans.

### **SITE AUDIT REPORTS**

1. The Committee discussed the locations for this year's site audits. The following was chosen for this year: Timken Centre, New Police building, Doug Tarry Complex and Pinafore Park.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

1. Ginny asked members to nominate a candidate for Chair of the Committee. Cathy Topping nominated Joan Rymal with Jim Stacey seconding the motion. Joan stated she would accept unless someone else was interested in the position. Brendan Kamps stated he would be willing to become Chair of the Committee. Cathy Topping nominated Brendan Kamps and Joan Rymal seconded it. Joan Rymal officially withdrew her name as Chair. All in favour. Carried

Ginny asked members to nominate a Vice Chair. Cathy Topping nominated Joan Rymal, and Brendan Kamps seconded the motion. All in favour. Carried.

Ginny handed the meeting over to Brendan Kamps.

2. Jim Stacey brought up the ramp at the Library, specifically, after the turn. He is concerned it is too steep and stated his wife cannot navigate it with her walker if she is by herself. Joan Rymal stated that she is on the Library Board and they will be looking at new renovations. She will mention this during those discussions.
3. Don Shaw mentioned his concern about the lack of sidewalks on Sunset Dr between Shaw Valley and Wilson Ave. Ginny mentioned that this has been brought to the attention of the Technologist in charge of sidewalks and they are trying to find the best way to tackle this project. This is designated in the Capital Plan for no later than 2022 but they are looking at possibly bumping this up.

#### **NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on May 25, 2017 8:30 a.m. at the Seniors' Centre.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Don Shaw made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 a.m., seconded by Joan Rymal.  
Carried.

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Signed, Chair, Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee

Date