

St. Thomas Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting

MINUTES June 22, 2017

Location: Pinafore Park

Time: 8:30 a.m.

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

Regrets: Jim Trieu, Graham Dart

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

ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Motion by Don Shaw to adopt the minutes from the May 25, 2017, meeting, seconded by Jim Stacey. All in favour, CARRIED.

UNFINISHED / OLD BUSINESS

1. Memorial for Ed McLachlan – The Committee dedicated the plaque on the picnic table for Ed. Weekly news came out to write up the story and took photo's. Carolyn McLachlan was in attendance as well.

PETITIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS

1. Special Events – Cathy Topping reported that RibFest is going to happen at the Railway museum. Cathy and Jim Tracey to review the plans for accessibility.

MUNICIPAL ACCESSIBILITY TECHNICAL COMMITTEE

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ACCESSIBILITY PLAN

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SITE PLAN COMMITTEE

1. Cathy Topping reviewed plans for development on Erie.

SITE AUDIT REPORTS

1. Three audits have been completed. Fourth audit taking place after the meeting. Brendan will complete the paperwork and hand in to Ginny so she can complete a report to Council.

NEW BUSINESS

- 1 Short discussion re the protocol when setting up site audits.
2. Cathy Topping gave a summary of a group called Thumbs Up. This volunteer group inspects private businesses/churches for accessibility and has started to create a list of all facilities who has been declared accessible. The Chamber of Commerce is in the process of creating a new City map and these accessible facilities will be added to this map. Motion was made to spend \$425 payable to the Chamber of Commerce for the addition of this information to be included in the new map was made by Joan Rymal, seconded by Dave McNea. Carried
3. Ginny informed the Committee that the City and Paratransit were starting to enforce the policy for paratransit riders regarding cancellations and no shows in an attempt to cut down the number of riders that have to be refused because all appointments times are booked. It was suggested that maybe a small blurb could be added to the brochure informing riders of this policy.

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on September 28, 2017 8:30 a.m. at Senior's Centre.

ADJOURNMENT

Dave McNea made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 9:10 a.m., seconded by Joan Rymal. Carried.

Signed, Chair, Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee

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