



Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee

MINUTES

Minutes of the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee held on 26th day of September 2018, at 6:33 p.m., in the Esquering Room Halton Hills Town Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Councillor J. Hurst, Chair; Councillor D. Kentner, Vice Chair; J. Bray; M. Lowe; B. Montemurro; B. Leslie; D. Sebalj; W. Farrow-Reed;

REGRETS: K. Heffernan; J. Fewster

STAFF PRESENT: K. Withers, Accessibility Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT:

1 General

A Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Councillor J. Hurst called upon members of the Committee to declare any Pecuniary Interest they might have with items on the agenda.

None were declared

B Councillor J. Hurst provided an update to the committee of what accomplishments had been completed by the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee. Councillor Hurst went through the list of accomplishments and advised the committee had done very well the last four years.

Councillor Kentner inquired why the new accessible crosswalk at Charles Street was not on the accomplishments.

Councillor Hurst advised that all funding for Accessible Pedestrian Signals and Accessible Crosswalk is now being funded through Transportation.

- C Councillor Hurst provided an update on the Prospect Park dock project and the addition of a canoe/kayak launch

Councillor Hurst advised that when the canoe/kayak launch was installed it was well received but, there had been some issues for those with accessible issues and the transferring into a canoe or kayak. The concerns were identified by Naomi McQuade who runs the Holy Cow Canoe.

Councillor Hurst advised that he had met on site with Mark Taylor, Senior Landscape Architect and the representative from the manufacturing company who built and installed the unit to try to come up with a solution that would solve the problem. Councillor Hurst indicated that alot of the issues was due to the rise and fall of water in the lake. Councillor Hurst advised that the representative left knowing what the issue were and would work with M. Taylor to see if there was a solution. Councillor Hurst indicated that he would stay on top of this as there was some negativity with the problem and he advised M. Taylor that if they could come up with a solution that the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee would fund the cost.

B. Leslie inquired whether a motion should be brought forward to ensure that this stays up front for the new committee to approve.

Recommendation No. HHAAC 2018-0002

THAT the Halton Hills Accessible Advisory Committee supports the funding of any retrofitting to the transfer equipment required for Prospect Park Dock canoe/kayak launch.

AND FURTHER THAT funding to be taken from the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee Capital budget.

CARRIED

- D K. Withers discussed the funding of the Software Subscription Service which would be used to check the accessibility of webpages and PDF documents located on the Town's website.

Recommendation No. HHAAC-2018-0003

That the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee supports the funding of the Software Subscription Service which is used to check the accessibility of webpages and PDF documents located on the Town's website.

AND FURTHER THAT funding be taken from the Halton Hills Accessibility Advisory Committee Capital Budget in the amount of \$7800.

CARRIED

2 For Information, Announcements and Upcoming Event

A B. Leslie advised that he had attended the newly opened Goodfellows Restaurant in Georgetown. B. Leslie indicated that when he went up the ramp at the back of the building and pushed the accessible push button the door did not open and that it had been disconnected. B. Leslie spoke to staff in the restaurant who advised they did not want anyone coming in the back door, that they wanted the front door used. B. Leslie advised that the restaurant then installed a bell so that it was known that someone was at the back door but this became an issue with patrons and the noise so it was also disconnected.

B. Leslie wanted to know why the committee could not look at these sites from an accessibility point of view like we do with site plans for development so this does not happen.

W. Farrow-Reed indicated that because there was no change to the buildings foot print it would not have been brought up.

B B. Leslie advised the committee members that he will not be reapplying to the committee for the next term wanted to spend more time travelling and at his cottage. B. Leslie thanked everyone who was on the committee.

3 For Committee Review and Comment

A Review of Site Plan Application File No.: D14ZBA17.002 & D11SPA17.010 Location: 12 Church Street East (Acton) Applicant: D and M Developers Inc. – 2nd Submission

The sub-committee reviewed the following Site Plan Applications with written comments being submitted to the Planning Department.

4 Items for Next or Future Agenda(s)

5 The meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

6 Next Scheduled Meeting – TBD