

Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee

MINUTES OF MEETING

July 11, 2007

1:00 p.m.

Present: Councillor Cheryl Murdoch, Councillor Jim Mackie, Councillor Tom Gardner, Peter McLuskey, Debbie Tripp, Rob Young, Angela Andrews, HKPR, Ross Burk, Miles Roberts via Polycom

Regrets: Councillor Bill Davis

Support Persons: Jim Wilson, CAO
Tamara Williams, County Clerk
Angela Balle, Administrative Assistant

Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Rob Young, Seconded by Ross Burk;

Be it resolved that the agenda for the July 11, 2007 meeting of the Joint Accessibility Committee be adopted as circulated.

Carried

Acceptance of Minutes

Moved by Tom Gardner, Seconded by Deb Tripp;

Be it resolved that the Minutes of the May 1, 2007-meeting of the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee be accepted.

Carried

Chairman Murdoch welcomed all and made introductions of the Committee membership to Ross Burk.

Deputation – None Requested

Public Awareness / Education

Business Aware Program

Angela Andrews reported that the display board was used at the Haliburton Home/Cottage Show. The flyers, notepads and window decals have been prepared and that implementation of the program will start in September. Education packages for businesses are also being prepared for distribution.

It was agreed that an invitation would be sent to the Chief Building Officials from each Municipality to attend a Joint Accessibility meeting to answer questions and discuss the Building Code as it applies to Accessibility in both the public and private sectors.

Sensitivity Awareness Brochure

The flyer is ready to be printed and distributed to the Townships, Libraries, Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Information sites within the County. The flyer will also be included in the Barrier Awareness Business Education Packages distributed by the Health Unit.

Haliburton Home Show Report

Rob Young, Deb Tripp and Peter McLuskey reported that there was good interaction and they had a good location for the booth. Discussion was made as to improvements and considerations of the display for next year.

Oshawa Accessibility Conference Report

Angela Andrews reported that conference was very good for networking with other organisations with concerns for Accessibility.

Traffic Signals for the Visually Impaired

Correspondence was received from the Ministry of Transportation in response to a letter sent by the County Clerk requesting clarification on the criteria used to determine the need for traffic signals for the visually impaired. The letter outlined the criteria that needed to be met in order to have this type of traffic light installed. A letter will be sent to the Canadian National Institute for the Blind in an effort to determine if they are aware of a need for this type of device in this area.

Barrier Removal – Public Buildings

The Annual Plan Update is to be submitted to the Directorate by the end of September. The Draft Plan Update will be sent out to the Municipalities for their compliance updates and committee members soon for their review.

Building and Site Plan Review

No Report

Other Issues Raised by Individual Committee Members

Consideration of changing the name of the committee was discussed. Members were asked to bring ideas to a future meeting.

Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will take place September 12, 2007 at 1:00 pm

Adjournment

Moved by Rob Young, Seconded by Peter McLuskey;

Be it resolved that the meeting of the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee of July 11, 2006 be hereby adjourned.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

Chairman

Clerk

