



## **Minutes of Age Friendly**

**November 19, 2024, 1:00 pm**

**Electronic and In-Person Participation - Age Friendly**

**The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville**

**(Chair and Secretary at Town Hall - 87 Broadway)**

**Orangeville, Ontario**

Members Present: Councillor A. Macintosh, Chair  
L. Banks  
M. Chapman  
C. Hamilton  
K. Jack

Members Absent: V. Petho

Staff Present: G. Brennan, Legislative Assistant, Corporate Services  
S. Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events, Community Services

### **1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 p.m.

### **2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest**

None.

### **3. Land Acknowledgment**

Councillor A. Macintosh acknowledged the treaty lands and territory of the Williams Treaty Nations and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation. He also recognized that Dufferin County is the traditional territory of the Wendat and the Haudenosaunee, and is home to many Indigenous people today.

### **4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting**

**2024-017**

**Moved By** K. Jack

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved:

**4.1 September 17, 2024 Age Friendly Minutes**

**Carried**

**5. Presentations**

None.

**6. Items for Discussion and Reports**

**6.1 2025 Work Plan**

The Committee reviewed their proposed 2025 work plan, focusing on initiatives designed to foster age-friendly practices throughout the Town of Orangeville. The Committee discussed the scope of various projects, desired budget requirements, strategies for effective public communication, and discussed key timelines and dates.

The Committee highlighted the need to include a seniors transportation communication plan in order to provide clear and effective communication to senior citizens regarding transportation services, including updates on routes, out of service buses, and service disruptions. The Committee invited J. Austin, Manager, Communications, and T. Dulisse, Manager, Transportation and Development, Infrastructure Services, to attend their January 21 meeting to discuss this matter further.

**2024-018**

**Moved By** M. Chapman

That the approval of the Committee's 2025 Work Plan, be deferred to the Committee's January 21 meeting

**Carried**

**6.2 2025 Meeting Schedule**

The Committee reviewed and discussed their proposed 2025 meeting schedule.

**2024-019**

**Moved By** K. Jack

That the proposed 2025 Age Friendly Committee meeting schedule, with a meeting time of 1 p.m., be approved.

**Carried**

### **6.3 Snow Removal Rebate Program - Pilot Project Update**

Councillor A. Macintosh, Chair, announced that a staff report will be coming forward to Council in December 2024, providing an overview of the proposed snow removal pilot program. Additionally, he announced that the Access Orangeville Committee will also be contributing \$5000 for the project, and that individuals with disabilities would also be eligible to apply and receive a grant.

The Committee discussed various aspects of the program, including the requirements and application process, placing a significant emphasis on financial requirements and applicant eligibility, aiming to ensure minimal administration of the program. The Committee discussed challenges such as defining the age requirement and deciding on an applicable means test. To streamline the process, the Committee agreed that applicant self-validation would suffice, with no means test or receipts being required.

### **6.4 Senior Discount Flyer**

Sharon Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events, Community Services, advised the Committee on the following additions and updates to the Seniors Discount Business Directory:

- Quest for Cakes Bakery - Buy two (2) individual frozen meals, get one (1) free.
- Main Street Station - 10% discount on lunch, Tuesday - Friday, 65+

Additionally, Ms. Doherty announced that work will begin with the Communication Division in Q1 2025 to create and print an update version of the Seniors' Discount Flyer.

## **7. Correspondence**

None.

## **8. Announcements**

L. Banks announced that as of October 1, 2024, Bethell Hospice has expanded its services to provide hospice palliative care, grief and bereavement, and community services for all of the Dufferin County, Caledon, and surrounding

areas. Ms. Banks highlighted the work being done by One Small Clog Seniors' Services, Seniors' Supports Consultant and the work being done by the Caregivers in the Hills program which offers affordable resources for those who provide unpaid care for residents residing in Dufferin County and Caledon.

Sharon Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events, Community Services, advised the Committee that the Seniors Holiday Luncheon will be held on December 4<sup>th</sup> at the Tony Rose Memorial Sports Centre from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

**9. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, January 21, 2025, at 1 p.m.

**10. Adjournment**

**2024-019**

**Moved By** K. Jack

That the meeting be adjourned at 1:57 p.m.

**Carried**