



Minutes of Access Orangeville

May 8, 2025, 10:00 a.m.

Electronic and In-Person Participation - Access Orangeville

The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville

(Chair and Secretary at Town Hall - 87 Broadway)

Orangeville, Ontario

Members Present: Councillor Stevens, Chair
J. Jackson, Vice Chair
S. Clarke
M. Hartley
K. Murphy-Fritz
R. Ugolini
K. Van Ryn

Members Absent: P. Charbonneau, with notice

Staff Present: J. Austin, Manager, Communications
S. Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events
T. Dulisse, Manager, Transportation and Development
L. Raftis, Assistant Clerk
J. Rawn, Executive Assistant, Infrastructure Services

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None.

3. Land Acknowledgment

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

4. Minutes of Previous Meeting

2025-013

Moved By J. Jackson

That the minutes of the following meeting, be received for information:

4.1 April 10, 2025 Access Orangeville Minutes

Carried

5. Presentations

2025-014

Moved By S. Clarke

That the Committee approve the addition of Antonietta Minichillo, General Manager, Corporate Services - Town of Orangeville Logo to the May 8, 2025, Access Orangeville agenda.

Carried Unanimously

5.1 Antonietta Minichillo, General Manager, Corporate Services - Town of Orangeville Logo

Antonietta Minichillo, General Manager, Corporate Services provided a presentation with respect to the Town of Orangeville logo to support the refreshed brand style and greater accessibility. Members of the Committee asked questions and received responses from Ms. Minichillo and Jenn Austin, Manager, Communications.

6. Items for Discussion and Reports

6.1 Accelerating Accessibility Coalition

Kimberly Van Ryn provided Members of the Committee with information regarding the Accelerating Accessibility Coalition and spoke to future workplans.

Sharon Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events suggested inviting Luke Anderson, Executive Director, StopGap Foundation to a future Joint

Accessibility Committee meeting held between Dufferin County, the Town of Shelburne and the Town of Orangeville.

6.2 Stop Gap Program Update

Sharon Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events provided an update on the stop gap program and spoke to the steps the Municipality of Central Huron took to install stop gap ramps throughout their downtown core. Ms. Doherty advised Members of the Committee that the next steps would be connecting with the Orangeville Business Improvement Area and Branching Out Services. Members of the Committee asked questions and received responses from Ms. Doherty.

6.3 2025 Accessibility Champion Award

Members of the Committee discussed the current application process and nominations submitted.

2025-015

Moved By J. Jackson

That the Committee extend the nomination period until May 30, 2025 at 4:30 p.m. for the 2025 Accessibility Champion Award and bring nominations to the June 12, 2025, Access Orangeville meeting for consideration.

Carried Unanimously

6.4 Meeting Frequency and Sub-Committees/Working Groups

Members of the Committee discussed the possibility of striking sub-committees, the terms of reference, future work plans, and the meeting frequency.

Michelle Hartley recommended striking an Accessibility Education and Public Promotion Sub-Committee and requested sub-committees to be added to the June 12, 2025, Access Orangeville Committee with a budget update included.

The Committee suggested inviting a representative from the Orangeville Fire Service to delegate at a future meeting to discuss accessibility challenges faced.

7. Correspondence

None.

8. Announcements

Sharon Doherty, Manager, Recreation and Events invited members of the Committee to attend the Town of Orangeville National AccessAbility Week proclamation.

Councillor Stevens advised that Lindsay Raftis, Assistant Clerk accepted a role at a different municipality and further advised that Jordyn Lavecchia-Smith, Deputy Clerk will be assuming the portfolio in the interim.

Michelle Hartley advised that she will have a sensory table at her Christmas event this year.

James Jackson advised that the Town of Caledon is proclaiming MS Awareness Month on May 13, 2025 and the Town of Orangeville is conducting a flag raising on May 14, 2025 at 12:30 p.m.

9. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, June 12, 2025, at 10:00 a.m.

10. Adjournment

2025-016

Moved By J. Jackson

That the meeting be adjourned 11:49 a.m.

Carried Unanimously