



**The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville
Council Chambers, Town Hall
Minutes of a meeting of Orangeville Accessibility and Seniors
Advisory Committee
Held March 3, 2020 at 10:30 a.m.**

Members Present

Councillor Lisa Post

Ms. Diva Anderson – arrived at 10:57 a.m.

Mr. Larry Barnett

Ms. Simran Bhamu – arrived 10:34 a.m.

Ms. Peggy Bond

Mr. Paul Charbonneau

Mr. Mike Gravelle

Ms. Cheryle Hamilton

Mr. James Jackson

Mr. Larry Rankin

Staff Present

Ms. S. Doherty, Manager, Rec/Events

Mr. Bruce Ewald, Chief Building Official

Ms. T. Macdonald, Assistant Clerk

1 Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:32 a.m.

2 Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None.

3 Adoption of Minutes of Previous Council Meeting

Paul Charbonneau noted that the spelling of Karenda is incorrect in the minutes.

Recommendation Number 2020-008

Moved by Paul Charbonneau

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved as amended:

- February 4, 2020

Carried.

4 Presentations

4.1 Bruce, Ewald, Chief Building Official discussed the portable ramp program and indicated that he reached out to other municipalities and the general consensus is that the ramps are portable and temporary and therefore the Building Code does not apply. Mr. Ewald indicated that as the ramps are technically not compliant with the Building Code there could be some level of liability for the Town and suggested speaking with legal counsel to determine if this is something that the Town wants to promote.

Recommendation Number 2020-009

Moved by Simran Bhamhu

That Councillor Post bring a Notice of Motion to Council to request that the Ramp Program be discussed with legal counsel;

And that the committee take budget considerations into account when determining the promotion of the ramp program and consider requesting an additional annual amount from Council for the ramp program.

Carried.

5 Reports and Items for Discussion

5.1 Abilities Fair

Peggy Bond provided an update on the Abilities Fair and provided a draft of the invitation and vendor application form for the committee to review. The Abilities Fair will be asking people to make a donation to the food bank in lieu of admission. Be Social will have a food booth available at the fair.

Sharon Doherty, Manager Parks/Rec indicated that Town staff is not able to waive facility rental fees that is a decision that Council must make. Ms. Doherty indicated that she has discussed the matter with Ray Osmond, General Manager, Community Services and the County may be able to assist with the rental cost. Ms. Doherty also indicated that there is a cost for table and equipment rentals as the Town does not own those items. Councillor Post indicated that she will discuss budget with Pam Hillock at the County. Peggy Bond indicated that the Abilities Fair working group had discussed the possibility

of providing swag bags and it was suggested that she check with Ruth Philips, Manager, Economic Development as she may have some items to contribute.

5.2 Accessibility Pamphlet

Sharon Doherty and Paul Charbonneau have been working on revising the pamphlet and will update on this matter at the next meeting.

5.3 Mobi Mat

Sharon Doherty advised that the Mobi Mat is at Town Hall and indicated it is cumbersome to move and would require some advance notice for it to be transported.

5.4 Age Friendly Plan

Sharon Doherty indicated that she has received some information from Darla Fraser, CEO, Library with respect to where we are in terms of the age friendly initiatives and will update the committee at the next meeting.

5.5 Tip of the Month

Larry Rankin provided two tips:

MARCH 2020: March is Juvenile Arthritis Awareness Month. About 3 in 1000 Canadians under the age of 16 suffers from Arthritis. It affects both their physical & mental well-being, and reduces quality of life.

MARCH 2020: March is Arthritis Awareness Month. In Canada Arthritis is the number one cause for women becoming disabled and the third reason amongst men. For more information visit <http://www.arthritis.ca>

Recommendation Number 2020-010

Moved by Mike Gravelle

That the committee combine the two tips to form one tip for March, 2020.

Carried.

5.6 Traffic Signals at Broadway and Second and Broadway and First – update

Mike Gravelle indicated that on February 20 and 26 the Audio Pedestrian Signals were not working and indicated that it seems to be an ongoing issue and suggested that the Town should be inspecting these signals on a weekly basis.

Councillor Post will follow up with Infrastructure Services.

5.7 Work Plan Update

There was nothing new to discuss on the work plan.

6 Correspondence

None.

7 New Business

The residents at Montgomery Village have advised the committee that they would like an audio pedestrian signal at Alder and Riddell. Councillor Post will consult with Town staff to determine next steps on this matter.

Peggy Bond indicated that instead of the kiosk that committee currently has a roll up banner may be a better option and Sharon Doherty will liase with the Communications Department to determine the cost of a roll up banner.

Larry Barnett indicated that he attended a show at the Opera House and the sidewalk was not very well cleared. Councillor Post will follow up with Public Works staff about this matter.

Mike Gravelle questioned the Transit Task Force and what solutions were found. The committee will invite John Lackey, Manager, Transportation and Development, to the next meeting.

Mike Gravelle advised the committee of a device that Sobey's has that scans a prescription bottle reads out the information on the bottle.

Councillor Post advised that she made a presentation to the BIA regarding the façade program and indicated that she would like to request that Council amend the façade program to allow for façade and/or accessibility improvements.

Sharon Doherty indicated that John Whipp, Supervisor, Facilities had inquired about Mike Gravelle and James Jackson attending to review the accessibility improvements that have been made at Tony Rose and Ms. Doherty will facilitate that review with Mr. Whipp.

8 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is set for April 7, 2020 in Council Chambers, Town Hall.

9 Adjournment

That the meeting adjourn at 11:37 a.m.

