

Minutes

KINGSVILLE ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017@ 4:30 P.M. COMMITTEE MEETING ROOM 'A' 2021 DIVISION ROAD N., KINGSVILLE, ON N9Y 2Y9

A. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson, Thomas Neufeld called the Meeting to order at 4:34 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

Committee Members: Thomas Neufeld Corey Gosselin Jackie Barraco Todd Bradley

Michele Chauvin

Members of Administration:

Deputy Clerk – Administrative Services J. Alexander

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

Chairperson, Thomas Neufeld reminded members that any declaration and its general nature are to be made prior to each item being discussed.

C. PRESENTATIONS/DELEGATIONS

NONE

D. FINANCIAL REPORTS

1. Financial Report - Budget vs. Actual - period ending February 28, 2017.

Moved by C. Gosselin, seconded by M. Chauvin, that the Committee adopts the financial report period ending February 28, 2017.

CARRIED

E. STAFF REPORTS

NONE

F. BUSINESS/CORRESPONDENCE

- 1. **Workshop:** Community Accessibility Forums 2017, Accessibility: Honouring the Past, Showcasing the Present and Inspiring the Future.
- 2. **Item:** Ministry of Community and Social Services, Upgrading and Expanding Living Spaces for People with Developmental Disabilities. Dated: February 6, 2017.
- 3. **Media Release:** Ontario Human Rights Commission, Putting Rights at the Centre: OHRC to release new strategic plan. Dated: December 7, 2016.

- 4. **Article:** Minister Qualtrough reinforces the Government of Canada to accessibility. Dated; March 6, 2017.
- 5. **Article:** Accessibility News: Essential Accessibility Website Rethinks the Web for people with Disabilities. Dated: March 11, 2017.
- 6. Email: Gord Queen: AODA Enforcement. Dated: February 21, 2017.
- 7. **Article:** Thousands of Ontario Businesses Missing Accessibility Deadlines, Toronto Star. Dated: December 15, 2016.
- Moved by M. Chauvin, seconded by J. Barraco, that the business correspondence be received by the Committee as information.

CARRIED

G. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Moved by T. Bradley, seconded by M. Chauvin that the Committee adopts the January 17, 2017 minutes.

CARRIED

H. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

1. **Policy Review: Accessible Customer Service Standards Policy**. Town of Kingsville. Dated: June 15, 2009.

M. Chauvin questioned the service dog portion within the policy, and whether it includes companion dogs. Currently, the Town allows seeing eye dogs in municipal facilities. J. Barraco asked if they have a card to show since these dogs are used for different reasons and may not be identified like working dogs. The committee concluded that they were unclear if the Town policy would include companion dogs.

The Committee has directed administration to research into companion dogs and if the current standards include companion dogs in municipal facilities.

2. Policy Review: Integrated Accessibility Standards Regulation Transportation Policy. Town of Kingsville.

The Committee has reviewed this policy and there is no revisions suggested at this time.

3. **Newsletter Review.** Administration will make the minor changes and email the Committee the final draft for approval before distribution. For the next newsletter, suggestions include: highlighting the goals of the Committee with some of the projects scheduled for this year. The deadline for submissions to J. Barraco is April 27. Administration will email a reminder to Committee members.

4. New Inspection Checklist

Final copy of the new checklist was discussed and approved to seek Council approval.

07-2017 Moved by J. Barraco second by M. Chauvin approved to adopt the new checklist and present to Council.

CARRIED

5. Accessibility Expo in Toronto

Councillor T. Neufeld attended the conference and provided information regarding the emergency management and how that affects people with disabilities. The Committee directed Administration to circulate the information to the Committee via email. Any information that is deemed interesting will be added to the next newsletter.

I. ADJOURNMENT

07-2017

7-2017	Moved by M. Chauvin, seconded by J. Barraco the Committee adjourn the meeting at 5:25 p.m. to meet again on May 23, 2017.
	CARRIED
	CHAIRMAN. Thomas Neufeld

DEPUTY CLERK - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES, Jennifer Alexander