Minutes
June 11, 2019
Kincardine Legion, Red Room, Lambton Street

Call to Order:

Roll Call:

Members Present:          Staff Present:
Maureen Couture          Tracey Adams-Bell, Secretary
Josh Easton             Donna MacDougall, Clerk
Bruce Edwards (left the meeting after 4.3)
Lesley MacGregor
Sharon Woods (Chair)

Members Absent:

Alvin Lamont
Cathy Pennington

1. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: There was none disclosed.

2. Agenda Additions and Deletions: There were none.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Resolution #06/11/19 - 01
Moved by: Maureen Couture
Seconded by: Josh Easton

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the meeting held April 9, 2019 as presented.

Carried.

4. New/Ongoing Business:

4.1 Recreation Department Capital Projects – The Director of Recreation, Karen Kieffer was in attendance to give an overview of the department’s accomplishments and goals from 2018 and 2019:
New Marina washrooms are currently open and available to the public.

In the new Stonehaven Park all new equipment has been installed and more recently the Stonehaven Park Committee received Council approval to fund raise and apply for grants for a half court basketball/ball hockey cement pad.

With the assistance of the Enabling Accessibility Grant, upgrades to the Family Changeroom at the Pool, were completed and more people are becoming aware that the new pool lift was purchased with the grant and is being utilized.

Dunsmoor Park and Bruce Ave. Soccer Field washrooms designs have been finalized and the contract to construct was awarded to Allen-Hastings. Construction is to begin in July.

Request for Proposal has just gone out for new equipment for the Bervie Playground with Karen to take a staff report to Council in early July.

Entranceway to Connaught Park was paved in May.

Connaught Park Grandstand was demolished in April with no plans to replace it.

Purchase of new recreation software which will allow the public to register and pay for programs on-line. Training of staff is to take place in June.

Staff will review the most recent Catalogue of Issues under their responsibility. Areas to point out include i) Improving access to the Davidson Centre outdoor track. They have discussed applying for the next round of Enabling Accessibility Grant and then work with this Committee, staff, users and possibly an engineer for options and costs on improving that access; ii) In Dunsmoor Park staff does recognize that the stage is not accessible and that the benches are in poor condition. Will be considered for a capital project going forward; iii) consideration will be given with high water levels this year: how to accommodate users and ensure the mats remain secure on the beach.

4.2 **Electronic Participation** – The Clerk provided information on the updates to the Procedure By-Law regarding Electronic Participation. The original
request time was reduced from 1 week down to 48 hours with the Clerk having the authority to reduce that time. Some time is required to determine if quorum will be available and to allow time for staff to set up and accommodate the request. She also clarified that those participating via electronic means are allowed to vote, can 1st and 2nd a motion; however, cannot count as quorum.

4.3 Accessibility in the Downtown Core – Staff enlightened the Committee that the parking space at CIBC parking lot had been relocated by Community Living. The current Community Living loading space that the AAC was hoping to obtain in addition to the CIBC relocate is not being made available at this time.

Several concerns regarding the addition of the blue Adirondack chairs Downtown were raised: It was first noted that the BIA did not seek the municipality’s approval for the chairs situated on municipal property. The chairs are portable and at times being relocated on the sidewalks and not being moved back; the chairs cannot be placed to impede pedestrian traffic; with special note for businesses to be aware of existing planters, garbage containers and light standards.

Some discussion came out regarding the Durham Market North and the concern of traffic coming off of that road and onto Queen Street. There is concern that two-way traffic there will be dangerous. A report from Public Works is expected to go to Council regarding the same.

A member asked if the Committee would support an accessible parking space by the new washrooms at Victoria Park. Currently the Committee did not think it would work.

Committee member Edwards left the meeting at this point.

4.4 Relocating Accessible Parking Space Downtown – Item was discussed in 4.3.

4.5 Catalogue of Issues Review

Resolution # 06/12/2019 - 02
Moved by: Josh Easton
Seconded by: Lesley MacGregor
THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee recommend the amendments to the Catalogue of Issues as presented.

Carried

4.6 **Discuss Committee Goals for 2019** – The Committee settled on the following items for 2019 focus: Davidson Centre Track access, Municipal Administration Centre directional signage and continue with Dunsmoor Park improvements including but not limited to the Stage and benches with request for designated accessible seating with paved access to the same. An ongoing goal of the Committee is to ensure that all new surfaces such as boulevards, sidewalks and boardwalks are reviewed prior to installation and that existing surfaces are maintained to keep vibration and lifting to a minimum.

5. **Schedule of Meetings:**

July 9, 2019; August 13, 2019; September 10, 2019

6. **Adjournment:**

**Resolution # 06/12/2019 - 03**

Moved by: Maureen Couture  
Seconded by: Josh Easton

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee adjourn to meet again on Tuesday, July 9, 2019 at 1 pm, at the Dunsmoor Park Pavillion, or at the call of the chair.

Carried.

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Chair - Sharon Woods       Secretary – Tracey Adams-Bell