

# City of Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

1:00 PM - Tuesday, January 28, 2020

City Hall, Boardroom

The Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting was called to order on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, at 1:00 PM, in the City Hall, Boardroom, with the following present:

**Members** Ryan Billing, Mary Ann Greenwood, Nancy Gardner, and Doug

**Present:** Hone

**Regrets:** Greg Bamber

**Staff:** Chad Davis, Supervisor of Public Works and Lynn Murray,

Deputy City Clerk

#### 1. CHAIR'S REMARKS

#### 2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Nil.

## 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

Moved by: Member Gardner Seconded by: Member Hone

THAT the minutes of the Brockville Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting dated November 26, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

**CARRIED** 

## 4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Member Billing stated that he is contacting other municipalities to see if they have incorporated their accessible standards into their winter maintenance policy/programs.

Member Billing highlighted the final draft of the Transit Task Force 2019 report and recommendations. He will circulate this to the Committee members for comments at the next BMAAC meeting.

Member Billing suggested that the accessible parking review would be best fitted for the spring. They will use a map and do a walking tour.

# 5. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

Nil.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE & COMMUNICATIONS

Nil.

## 7. STAFF REPORTS

Nil.

## 8. **NEW BUSINESS**

## 1. Rotary Park Water Chairs

Member Billings showed a quick video of a water chair to be used at beaches to allow a person who is physically impaired to enjoy getting across the beach and into the river. The Committee discussed the many issues this could cause such as cost, storage and how it could be securely loaned.

Moved by: Member Hone

Seconded by: Member Greenwood

THAT BMAAC requests that City staff research the ability to obtain water chair(s) for St. Lawrence Park and possibly the Splash Pad; and

THAT City staff ensure this is a viable project.

**CARRIED** 

# 9. SUB-COMMITTEE AND MEMBER REPORTS/PROJECT UPDATES

# 1. Rotary Park Accessible Washrooms

Member Hone shared that during the construction of the P and G Pavilion at Hardy Park there was no adult changing table included in the accessible washroom. He added that all the electrical and set up were ready. Member Hone added that the reason there was not one included is that during construction they followed the building code.

The committee discussed the idea of funding the purchase of the table through accessibility funding.

Moved by: Member Hone

Seconded by: Member Greenwood

THAT BMAAC would like staff to research the best adult change table for this purpose and the cost involved.

**CARRIED** 

## 2. Winter Policy Review Committee

C. Davis was in attendance to offer some insight into the City's Winter Maintenance Policy and answer any questions the Committee might have in this regard. He reviewed the protocol for snow plowing and clearing during and after a storm. C. Davis noted that the Province of Ontario has a regulation called Minimum Maintenance Standards which the municipality must follow for all roads and sidewalks. It can be found at the following link <a href="https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/020239">https://www.ontario.ca/laws/regulation/020239</a>

Chad mentioned that the transit transfer station at Courthouse Avenue which has been a problem over the years due to snowbanks between the shelter and the buses, has been added to his teams' "hand" clearing list. This should eliminate any problems with snowbanks now and for the future.

## 10. CAPITAL BUDGET - REVIEW

1. December 31, 2019 - estimates

The Committee agreed that the \$50,000 slated for the Rotary Field House project could be removed from the "estimated" expenses as that amount was no longer needed to complete the project.

#### 11. ONGOING TOPICS

- 1. Accessible matting beaches
- 2. Waterproof wheelchair
- 3. Accessible City parks and islands inventory
- 4. Accessible water taxi
- Accessible taxi

## 12. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: Member Greenwood

THAT the BMAAC meeting be adjourned until its next regular meeting scheduled for February 25, 2020.

**CARRIED** 

The meeting adjourned at 2:52 pm.