

### **Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes**

Friday, March 22, 2024 at 10:00 a.m. Municipal Office Meeting Room, 100 Scott Street, Walkerton

Members Present Greg McLean, Chairperson

Maryanne Buehlow

Tom Wingfield Suzanne Wingfield Joseph Martel

Tim Malo

Joseph Martel

Members Absent: Marion Last

Staff Present: Fiona Hamilton, Director of Legislative and Legal Services (Clerk)

Guests Present: Mary Jane Bushell

Jeff Wilhelm

### 1. Call to Order and Acceptance of Agenda

#### Motion:

Moved by Maryanne Buehlow Seconded by: Tim Malo

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee hereby approve the agenda for the meeting on March 22, 2024 as presented.

Carried

### 2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

## 3. Adoption of the Minutes

3.1 Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes - February 23, 2024

### Motion:

Moved by: Tom Wingfield

Seconded by: Suzanne Wingfield

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee hereby approve the minutes

from February 23, 2024 as presented.

Carried.

# 4. Business Arising from the Minutes

The Committee discussed the usual meeting date and whether it was the best date for all members.

# 5. Correspondence

### 6. Old Business/Ongoing Projects

6.1 Enabling Accessibility Grant - Joint Proposal with West Grey for Improvements to the Elmwood Community Centre

### **Motion:**

Moved by: Joseph Martel Seconded by: Tim Malo

That the drafted letter be sent to the Municipality of West Grey regarding the Enabling Accessibility Grant Joint proposal.

Carried.

The Committee discussed the goal of encouraging the Municipality of West Grey to consider future partnerships and the need to make accessibility improvements a top priority.

## 6.2 Multi-Year Accessibility Plan 2025

The Committee discussed the process involved in creating a new Multi-Year Accessibility Plan, and it was noted that an important first step is to develop a comprehensive vision statement that could be adopted by Council to guide strategic level decisions throughout the Municipality of Brockton.

The Committee directed that the next meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee should be dedicated to developing and adopting a Vision Statement as the basis for development of the next Multi-Year Accessibility Plan.

### 7. New Business

7.1 Accessibility Awareness and Customer Service Standards Training Event

The Committee discussed holding an event to provide training on accessibility standards and general awareness to local service clubs and the business community. The Committee endorsed approaching Julie Sawchuk, from Sawchuk Accessible Solutions, to speak at an evening event to be held at Victoria Jubilee Hall.

Action: The Committee directed staff to contact Julie Sawchuk to organize an accessibility event.

## 8. Next Meeting

## 9. Adjournment

That the Accessibility Advisory Committee hereby adjourn at 11:00 a.m. to meet again on April 26, 2024.