



The Corporation of the Municipality of Mississippi Mills
Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting
MINUTES

March 24, 2021
3:00 p.m.
E-participation

Committee Present: Araina Clark
Myrna Blair
Betty Preston
Kristen Ray
Claire Marson
Councillor Guerard

Committee Absent: Jim Lowry
Paul Cozier

Staff Present: Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk

A. CALL TO ORDER

Betty Preston, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

B. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None

C. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Araina Clark

Seconded by Kristen Ray

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

D. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by Claire Marson

Seconded by Myrna Blair

THAT the minutes dated January 15, 2020 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

E. DELEGATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

None

F. REPORTS

F.1 2021 Annual Accessibility Report

The Committee discussed items on the 2021 Annual Accessibility Report.

ACTION: Staff to circulate the report to Department Heads for updates on the effects COVID 19 has had on priorities and additional items that may need to be included in the report due to COVID 19 impacts, such as outdoor areas, public washrooms etc.

G. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF MINUTES

None

H. ROUND TABLE

Claire Marson - Accessibility for Pakenham store renovations.

Araina Clark - Accessibility issues for restaurants in downtown heritage buildings.

Councillor Guerard - AccessAbility Week and promotion to be discussed at the next Accessibility meeting, such as flyers, radio ads, and newspaper ads.

I. INFORMATION AND CORRESPONDENCE

I.1 COVID-19 and People with Disabilities in Canada

Committee members discussed the article.

ACTION: Staff to post the article on the municipal website, social media and News and Public Notice during the week of March 29, 2021. A version of the article to be provide as a publication for the upcoming AccessAbility week.

J. OTHER / NEW BUSINESS

J.1 National AccessAbility Week May 31 to June 4, 2021

Members discussed the challenges of promoting AccessAbility week during a COVID 19 lockdown. Pakenham to be included in the distribution area when information is provided to residents on AccessAbility week.

J.2 New Municipal Website - WCAG 2.0 Level AA Compliant

The Deputy Clerk advised the Accessibility Advisory Committee of the new Municipal website with its WCAG 2.0 Level AA compliance and asked the committee to review the Accessibility webpage.

ACTION: Staff to circulate the Municipality's Accessibility webpage link to the Committee for review and comment.

J.3 Livestreaming on Municipal Website

The Deputy Clerk informed the Committee members of the new livestreaming service that allows Council and Committee meetings to be livestreamed on the Municipal website making it more accessible for residents to stay informed. The livestreamed meetings can be found on the municipal website under "Council Calendar". The livestreaming and recording functions are also Closed Captioned as per the WCAG 2.0 Level AA compliance.

K. MEETING ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2021 at 3:00 p.m.

L. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Araina Clark

Seconded by Kristen Ray

THAT the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be adjourned at 3:59 p.m.

CARRIED

Jennifer Russell, Deputy Clerk,
Recording Secretary