

# Northumberland Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

Thursday February 11, 2021  
555 Courthouse Road, Cobourg  
By Zoom video conference - 10:00am – 11:00am

## Minutes

Present: Hope Bergeron (Chair), Kathy Richards, Selena Forsyth, Karl vom Dorff (Vice Chair), Tina Gray, Bobby-Joe Preston, Jason Ducharme, Christine Bayer, Andrea Nicholson

Regrets: Shelley Althouse, Caileigh Flannigan, Bob Robertson, Doug Bates

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 am

### 1. **Approval of meeting notes from November 12, 2020**

**Moved** by Christine, seconded by Jason, that the minutes of November 12, 2021 be accepted. **Carried**

### 2. **Action items and follow-up from November 12, 2020**

**Action item 1** Andrea to provide the architects (Barry Bryan Associates) on the Elgin Park Housing Redevelopment project, with the contact information for Cobourg's accessibility coordinator, Mississauga's Facility Accessibility Design Standards. Completed.

### 3. **New Business**

#### i **Roadside Recycling Collection Update (see notes from January)**

The Committee supported the 2 staff recommendations in the report at the November NAAC meeting (Presentation by Adam McCue). Council approved the report as presented in December 2020.

Based on those recommendations,

- a program to allow people with disabilities the use of clear bags for Blue and Grey box materials has been developed. Residents must complete a Recycling Accessibility Application and be approved to be part of the program. Sorting of the materials is still required. Tags will be provided to qualified applicants to put on their clear bags. The form can be found on the Recycling page of the website.

- Staff also proposed to work with the Accessibility Advisory Committee to determine the extent of the need for a “From Door” collection service; develop a Feasibility Assessment for service; report back to Council, on the findings of the Needs Assessment and Feasibility Assessment. Adam McCue will lead this project and work with the Committee in the coming months.

**ii International Day of Persons with Disabilities (See notes from January)**

All planned activities were completed. Different ways for the public can provide feedback were promoted, no feedback was received.

**iii AODA Desk Audit Update**

The compliance advisory for the Ministry for Seniors and Accessibility confirmed in late January 2021 that the desk audit was complete and no further information was required. This is positive feedback for the County.

**iv Annual Status Update Report to Council**

Andrea reviewed the draft annual status update report with the Committee. The Committee provide feedback and input, recommending the report include a goal of conducting compliance spot checks.

**Moved** by Jason, and seconded by Selena, that Committee endorse the Annual Status Update Report and recommend that Council accept and approve the 2020 Accessibility Annual Status Update, including any input/feedback identified by Committee members within one week from the Feb. 11, 2021 meeting. **Carried**

**Action item 1:** Committee members to review Annual Accessibility Status Report and Multi Year Plan and provide any additional feedback to Andrea by Thursday February 18, 2021

**v NAAC Chair 2021-2022 (2 years)**

Deferred to March meeting

**4. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:10am.

**Next Meeting: March 11, 2021**

**Upcoming 2021 meetings:**

- **April 8, 2021**
- **May 13, 2021**
- **June 10, 2021**

- **September 9, 2021**
- **October 14, 2021**
- **November 4, 2021**

No meetings in July, August or December