

Northumberland Accessibility Advisory Committee

Minutes

November 10, 2022

555 Courthouse Road, Cobourg

By Zoom video conference - 10:00am – 11:30am

Members present: Bob Robertson, Christine Bayer, , Hope Bergeron, Jason Ducharme, Karl vom Dorff (Chair), Selena Forsyth, Bobby-Jo Preston, Andrea Nicholson (staff)

Regrets: Doug Bates, Christina Gray, Stephanie Ash

The meeting was called to order at 10:02am.

1. Approval of meeting notes from October 13, 2022

Moved by Selena and seconded by Christine that the minutes from October 13, 2022 be approved. Carried.

2. Action items and follow-up from October 13, 2022

Action item 1: Karl will sign a letter of support, on behalf of the committee, for the County's 2022 Enabling Accessibility Fund application for accessible emergency exits. Completed.

3. New Business

i Courthouse Ramp and accessible parking space update

- Andrea reported that the courthouse ramp construction is complete, and the additional accessible parking space has been added to the upper west parking near the courthouse main entrance.

ii International Day of Person with Disabilities (Dec 3) update

- United Nations Theme for 2022: "Transformative solutions for inclusive development: the role of innovation in fuelling an accessible and equitable world." Internal awareness will focus on employment and working with people with disabilities.

Action 1: Andrea to provide a summary of awareness activities to NAAC members regarding International Day for Persons with Disabilities.

iii Accessibility Coordinator update

Andrea reported that

- The 2022 Enabling Accessibility Fund grant application through Employment and Social Development Canada for accessible emergency exits was submitted at the end of October. The County will know approximately February 2023 whether a grant will be awarded for the project.
- 2023 meeting dates will be held via Zoom for January, February and March and then the format will be reassessed.

Action 2: Andrea to send out 2023 NAAC meeting dates/calendar invitations. January, February, and March meetings

4. Adjournment

The meeting was terminated at 10:30 am.

Next Meeting: January 12, 2023

Upcoming 2023 regular meetings:

- January 12, 2023
- February 9, 2023
- March 9, 2023
- April 13, 2023
- May 11, 2023 (may be changed)
- June 8, 2023
- September 14, 2023
- October 12, 2023
- November 9, 2023

No meetings in July, August or December