



**TOWNSHIP OF ESSA
ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 24, 2021 – 11:30 a.m.**

In attendance: Patty Foster, Chair
 Josh Robertson, Member
 Stephanie McCann, Member
 Madelaine Danby, Member
 Nancy Willoughby, Member
 Councillor Pieter Kiezebrink
 Krista Pascoe, Deputy Clerk/Accessibility Coordinator

1. OPENING OF THE MEETING

Krista chaired this meeting over the new electronic platform. The meeting opened at 11:30 a.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: AAC2021-01 Moved by: Willoughby Seconded by: McCann

Be it resolved that the agenda as presented be approved.

----Carried----

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Motion: AAC2021-02 Moved by: Willoughby Seconded by: Robertson

Be it resolved that the minutes of the Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting dated February 10, 2020 be approved as printed.

----Carried----

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MEETING / OUTSTANDING ITEMS

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Welcome to Councillor Pieter Kiezebrink who has replaced Councillor Henry Sander on our Committee.

The Committee members welcomed Councillor Kiezebrink to the Committee.

5.2 Accessible Boat Launch Installation – Community Park Angus

Krista stated that the new accessible boat launch has been installed at Community Park in Angus. More information on the launch such as hours and use will come in the Spring. A reminder regarding water safety will also be issued at this time reminding residents of water safety as the Committee had concerns with children using the launch as a dock to swim in the river.

5.3 2020 – AODA Desk Audit

Krista stated that the Township was audited by the Ministry for Seniors in early 2020 to ensure compliance with the AODA. The audit was complete with no issues or concerns.

5.4 New Website – Early 2022

Krista announced that the Township is moving to a new website in early 2022. This website will comply with all AODA legislation. It will have some new up to date features making it fully accessible and user friendly.

6. CORRESPONDENCE / INFORMATION ITEMS

6.1 Letter of Support – Royal Canadian Legion – Application to the New Horizons for Seniors Funding.

Krista shared the letter of support Council has sent to the Royal Canadian Legion to accompany their application for the New Horizons for Seniors Funding. If successful the funding will help the Legion towards their goal of being a fully accessible facility.

6.2 Staff Report C021-21 – Amalgamation of Committees

Krista stated that the Township will be amalgamating its committees with the new term of Council. She will notify the current committee members when the application period opens at the end of 2022.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

Patty Foster suggested that the Township post some information on the various committees and their objectives to help raise community awareness in the Township newsletter.

8. ESTABLISH DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

8.1 Set date for next meeting.

Krista stated that the Committee will meet again when we have items to discuss. Committee members are encouraged to add Agenda items.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: AAC2021-03 Moved by: McCann Seconded by: Robertson

Be it resolved that this meeting of the Accessibility Advisory Committee of the Township of Essa adjourn at 11:48 a.m..

----Carried----