



Minutes

Grey County Joint Municipal Accessibility Advisory Committee

July 18, 2024

Present: Councillor Andrea Matrosovs, Catherine Sholtz, Brooke Sillaby,
Pamela Matheson, Jacob Morris-Wheeler

Regrets: Andrew Edgcumbe, Claudia Strelcke, Christina Schnell

Staff Present: Robert Hatten, Manager of Communications, Kathie Nunno,
Accessibility Coordinator, Sarah Goldrup, Deputy Clerk

Call to Order

The Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee met electronically on the above date. The Chair called the meeting to order at 2:10 p.m. with all members present except Andrew Edgcumbe, Claudia Strelcke, and Christina Schnell.

Representatives from Member Municipalities in attendance: Carly Craig, Holly Malynyk, Kodey Hewlett, Matt Pierog, Teresa Crawford, Pam Coulter, Jennifer Patton.

Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

Delegations

There was no delegation.

Items For Direction or Discussion

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority - Inglis Falls Washroom
Accessibility Upgrade - Margaret Potter

Due to technical difficulties, consideration of this matter was temporarily postponed to allow the presenter to rejoin the meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Matrosovs
Seconded by: Member Morris-Wheeler

That in consideration of the staff report regarding the Inglis Falls Washroom Accessibility Upgrade from the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee receives the report for review and comment.

JAAC14-24

Moved by: Member Morris-Wheeler

Seconded by: Member Sillaby

The Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee defer consideration of the Inglis Falls Washroom Accessibility Upgrade from the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority temporarily to provide an opportunity for the presenter to rejoin the meeting.

Carried

Municipality of West Grey - Riverside Park Redesign Project - Kodey Hewlett

Kodey Hewlett reviewed the staff report regarding the Riverside Park redesign project. The presenter highlighted the concept included with the report for the portable bathrooms and the aerial shot of the park.

JAAC15-24

Moved by: Member Matheson

Seconded by: Member Sillaby

That in consideration of the staff report regarding the Riverside Park redesign project from the Municipality of West Grey, the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee receives the report for review and comment.

Carried

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority - Inglis Falls Washroom Accessibility Upgrade - Margaret Potter

Margaret Potter reviewed the staff report for the Inglis Falls washroom accessibility upgrade. The presenter explained the project components, including improvements to the washroom and exterior paths, and described opportunities for public consultation through a public survey regarding accessibility at the site. The presenter reviewed the site and considerations for site improvements, including paved pathways to the lookout, benches, barrier-free access to the lookout, building access, improvements to roofing and ventilation, and interior accessibility improvements to the washroom stalls and floor.

Discussion included encouraging consultation through QR codes placed on site and engagement through regional Age-Friendly Committees or Seniors Network in the Town of the Blue Mountains. Further, comments were heard regarding design considerations

regarding pathways, benches and seating, including pathway width, grade or slope, access to shade, connection to accessible pathways to avoid islands of accessibility. It was determined that lighting considerations were not necessary as the park is open from dawn to dusk.

JAAC16-24

Moved by: Councillor Matrosovs

Seconded by: Member Morris-Wheeler

That in consideration of the staff report regarding the Inglis Falls Washroom Accessibility Upgrade from the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee receives the report for review and comment.

Carried

City of Owen Sound - 1049 4th Avenue East Barrier-free On-street Parking Request - Matt Pierog

Matt Pierog presented to the Committee regarding the 1049 4th Avenue East barrier-free on-street parking request to provide accessible parking and access to the Church on the east side of the road. The presenter reviewed the existing conditions, which are well suited to demarcate barrier-free parking through a by-law update, signage for the accessible lot, access to existing ramps, and new line painting with a flexible loading and unloading zone. In response to questions, Matt Pierog explained the current plan would provide the opportunity for a second accessible parking spot in the future where the loading zone will be located. However, the presenter noted changes to the existing sidewalk infrastructure would be required at a more considerable expense.

JAAC17-24

Moved by: Member Morris-Wheeler

Seconded by: Member Matheson

That in consideration of the verbal presentation regarding the 1049 4th Avenue East barrier-free on-street parking request from the City of Owen Sound, the Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee receives the report for review and comment.

Carried

CCR-JAAC-10-24 - Conventional Transit Accessibility Plan Review

Kathie Nunno and Stephanie Stewart presented to the Committee regarding the legislated requirements for accessibility planning, plans regarding conventional transit, and the services available to provide accessible transit through Drivers Seat and Saugeen Mobility Regional Transit. In response to questions from the Committee,

Stephanie Stewart explained the process for residents to request vehicles with lifting ramps.

JAAC18-24

Moved by: Member Morris-Wheeler

Seconded by: Councillor Matrosovs

That Report CCR-JAAC-10-24 Conventional Transit Accessibility Plan Review be received; and

That the Conventional Transit Accessibility Plan be endorsed as presented; and

That the Grey County Multi-Year Accessibility Plan be amended to include the Conventional Transit Accessibility Plan.

Carried

Correspondence

Correspondence - CNIB Research Team - Recruitment for an Ontario EnAbling Change Program research project

Kathie Nunno noted the process by which individuals could get involved.

JAAC18-24

Moved by: Member Morris-Wheeler

Seconded by: Member Matheson

That the correspondence from the CNIB Research Team regarding recruitment for an Ontario EnAbling Change Program research project be received for information.

Carried

Other Business

There was no other business.

Next Meeting Date

September 19, 2024, at 2:00 p.m.

Adjournment

The Grey County Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee adjourned at 2:50 p.m. to the call of the Chair.