

Tecumseh Accessibility Advisory Committee

Minutes

Date: Friday, March 22, 2024
Time: 1:00 pm
Location: Electronic meeting live streamed at:
<https://video.isilive.ca/tecumseh/live.html>.

Present:
Chair, Alicia Higgison
Member Patrick Strong
Member Ron Matysek
Member Tracey Crow
Member, Melissa Bloomfield

Absent:
Member Ron Doherty

Also Present:
Deputy Clerk & Manager Legislative Services, Jennifer Alexander
Director Community & Recreation Services, Beth Gignac
Manager Facilities & Energy Management, Daniel Wolicki

A. Roll Call

B. Call to Order

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

C. Land Acknowledgement

We acknowledge that we are on land and surrounded by water, originally inhabited by Indigenous Peoples who have travelled this area since time immemorial. This territory is within the lands honoured by the Wampum Treaties; agreements between the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Lenni Lenape and allied Nations to peacefully share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. Specifically, we would like to acknowledge the presence of the Three Fires Confederacy Ojibwe, Odawa, Potawatomi and Huron/Wendat Peoples. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture while remaining committed to moving forward respectfully with all First Nations, Inuit and Métis.

D. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There is no pecuniary interest declared by a Member of the Committee.

E. Delegations

There are no delegations presented to the Committee.

F. Communications

1. April 4, 2023 and October 23, 2023 Minutes

Motion: TAAC - 01/24

Moved By Member Ron Matysek

Seconded By Member Patrick Strong

That the April 4, 2023 and October 23, 2023 minutes of the Tecumseh Accessibility Advisory Committee as were duplicated and delivered to the members, **be adopted**.

Carried

G. Reports

There are no reports presented to the Committee.

H. Unfinished Business

There are no unfinished business items presented to the Members.

I. New Business

1. Wellness Campus

Re: Director Community and Recreation Services - Verbal Report

The Director Community & Recreation Services provides a verbal report on the Wellness Campus with the focus on general health and wellness supports for the community. The Chair opens the floor to questions.

The Chair inquires on the public consultation process and the partner selection for the working group. The Director advises on which community groups are in this next stage in the process. She adds that there will be shared spaces and multi purposes rooms available for community groups to offer their services.

Motion: TAAC - 02/24

Moved By Member Patrick Strong

Seconded By Member, Melissa Bloomfield

That the verbal report provided by the Director Community & Recreation Services **be received**.

Carried

2. Outdoor Active Play Plan

Re: Director Community & Recreation Services - Verbal Report

The Director Community & Recreation Services provides a verbal report on the Outdoor Active Play Plan. She explains that the department is beginning to review and develop a plan which comprises of multi generational play as well as replacement of play structures and spaces for adult play. The Director encourages the Committee to bring forth any ideas on play structures. A report to council will be presented later this year.

Motion: TAAC - 03/24

Moved By Member Tracey Crow

Seconded By Member Patrick Strong

That the verbal report on Outdoor Active Play Plan by the Director Community & Recreation Services **be received**.

Carried

3. Senior Active Living Centre

Re: Director Community and Recreation Services - Verbal Report

The Director advises on the Senior Active Living Centre and the programs being provided for older active seniors. Senior Active Living Centre is located at St. Clair Beach Community Centre, which will be operating programming through the Community Support Centre. The facility opens on May 6, 2024, and free memberships for the remainder of this year.

Moved By Member Ron Matysek

Seconded By Member Patrick Strong

That the verbal report on the Senior Active Living Centre by the Director Community & Recreation Services **be received**.

Carried

4. National AccessAbility Week (May 28-June 3, 2024)

Re: Deputy Clerk & Manager Legislative Services - Verbal Report

The Deputy Clerk & Manager Legislative Services inquires with the Committee if they would like to celebrate the 2024 National AccessAbility Week. She explains to the Committee the previous initiatives to celebrate this week. The Committee advised that they would like to honour National AccessAbility Week with a flag raising ceremony, Town staff Red Shirt day and a social media campaign.

The Deputy Clerk advised the Committee that the members will need to submit their ideas for social media posts for end of April.

Motion: TAAC - 05/24

Moved By Member, Melissa Bloomfield

Seconded By Member Tracey Crow

That the verbal report on National AccessAbility Week by the Deputy Clerk & Manager Legislative Services **be received**.

Carried

J. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chair.

K. Adjournment

Motion: TAAC - 06/24

Moved By Member Ron Matysek

Seconded By Member, Melissa Bloomfield

That there being no further business, the Friday, March 22, 2024 meeting of the Tecumseh Accessibility Advisory Committee **be adjourned** at 1:53 pm.

Carried

Alicia Higgison, Chair

Robert Auger, Clerk