

Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee

Zoom Meeting Minutes

3:00 pm

March 24, 2022

Present: Theresa Sabourin, Sharon Slaney, Alison Morris, Sheila Clarke, Leah Cuffe, Lynn Davenport.

Regrets: Kate Bennett

Recorded by Town of Petawawa.

Welcome:

Theresa Sabourin welcomed everyone to the meeting and called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm.

Adoption of Agenda:

Sheila Clarke motion to adopt the agenda seconded by Sharon Slaney, carried by the group present.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest:

None

Adoption of previous minutes February 24, 2022:

Not available

Old Business: none

Workplan Adoption 2022:

Kate Bennett needs to relinquish volunteer duties on the workplan and remain as the Recording Administrator for PAAC.

1.5 Wording Change: Develop Recommendations for accessible best practices for the built environment for developers.

2.3 Update Resource Material: Sheila Clarke has updated the resource binders and has returned them to the Town of Petawawa Library. The Staff of the Library is aware that the binders have been updated.

2.5 Wording Change: To add TOWN before accessibility. Theresa will liaise with Kate to coordinate final amendments.

4.3 Wording Change (status): Initiate discussions with Staff-to develop a facility accessibility standard design.

Alison Morris put forward a motion to move forward with the workplan, seconded by Sharon Slaney. Carried by the group present.

New Business

1. TOR's Petawawa Accessibility Committee: The committee had a chance to review the Town of Petawawa Terms of Reference Petawawa Accessibility Advisory Committee. Sheila Clarke motioned that the terms of reference be adopted, seconded by Leah Cuffe. Carried by the group present.
2. ShowCase April 29-May 1, 2022.

PAAC will share a booth with the Town of Petawawa Fire Department. The booth is the first table inside the Showcase doors.

Committee Timings

Sharon Slaney Friday April 29, 2022-2:00pm-3:00pm

Theresa Sabourin Friday April 29, 2022-3:00-5:00pm

Sheila Clarke Saturday April 30, 2022-11:00am-1:00pm

Alison Morris Sunday May 1, 2022-2:00-4:00pm

Theresa Sabourin will check with the Town Office for items/banners for our booth.

Member Input:

- a. Sheila Clarke pointed out that the Petawawa Library now has a resource of an accessible Kayak.
 - Sheila also found an article in the Better Homes and Gardens March 2022 edition. The article is about a family that built an accessible home for their daughter and how the home made it easier for everyone in their household and can be googled by typing in Kathy Barnes (Much Rack . There are also two quotes from Amy Webb as follows:

Accessibility takes from no one and gives to everyone. You will never regret having a zero entrance or wider door. AND When you design for someone with the least mobility or greatest physical needs, it brings great freedom to everyone.
 - Sheila found a website gamutmangement.com that has clothing and adaptive gear for the disabled. There is an interesting article with the website.
 - Mike Holmes in Season 4 episodes 12 and 13 dedicated to building accessible bathrooms and wheelchair accessible additions to a home.
- b. Sharon Slaney will ask the Fire Department if there is a program to change batteries in smoke detectors for people with disabilities and seniors in our community that live alone.
- c. Alison Morris Is working on the PTSD Trauma Informed Business and will go back to the Petawawa Business Meeting to discuss further.
- d. Theresa Sabourin suggested that for Accessibility Week May 29-June 4, 2022, that PAAC have the Local Newspapers attend a meeting and take a picture of the PAAC Committee and we each give a short statement of why we volunteered to be a part of this committee. If that is not possible, we submit a photo of our group with a short article.
- e. Lynn Davenport noticed that the Town of Petawawa Library is working on an outreach program for seniors in our community. This outreach program might be a resource for PAAC.

Next Meeting April 28, 2022, 3:00 pm in Council Chambers.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm by Theresa Sabourin Chairperson.