

Corporation of the County of Wellington Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee

Minutes

September 5, 2024
Township of Centre Wellington Municipal Office
1 MacDonald Square, Elora

Present: Councillor Matthew Bulmer (Chair)

Robin Fletcher Heather Small Gerald Townsend

Regrets: Giverny Parent

Bethany Parkinson

Lorri Wright

Staff: Jennifer Adams, County Clerk

Nicole Cardow, Deputy Clerk

Rebecca Danks, Customer Service Representative, Town of Erin

Imran Esmail, Information Management Coordinator

Monika Farncombe, Legislative Assistant, Township of Puslinch

Quinn Foerter, Deputy Clerk, Town of Minto

Adam Gilmore, Manager of Engineering, Township of Centre

Wellington

Lisa Miller, Deputy Clerk, Township of Centre Wellington

Pat Newson, Managing Director of Community Services, Township of

Centre Wellington

Kerri O'Kane, Clerk, Township of Centre Wellington

Jamie Stuckless, Engagement Lead Stuckless Consulting Inc

Karren Wallace, Clerk, Township of Wellington North

1. Call to Order

At 1:00 pm, the Chair called the meeting to order.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

3. Confirmation of Minutes

1/2/24

Moved By: Gerald Townsend **Seconded By:** Heather Small

That the Minutes from the December 2023 and the May 2024 meetings be approved.

Carried

4. Hearing Loop Webinar- Robin Fletcher (Verbal)

Ms. Robin Fletcher gave a verbal review of a Hearing Loop Webinar that she recently attended. Ms. Fletcher outlined the technology being used for cochlear implants as well as assisted listening devices.

5. Accessible Technology Demo - Centre Wellington

Ms. Lisa Miller, Deputy Clerk, Township of Centre Wellington, demonstrated for the committee the accessible technology in the Centre Wellington Council Chambers, including Assisted Hearing Devices.

6. Information Items

6.1 List of Planned Projects by Municipalities

Member Municipalities were reminded to bring upcoming projects that will be coming forward to the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee as they become aware of them for future reporting.

6.2 Schedule of Annual Reporting

Multi-year Accessibility Plans for the Township of Wellington North is coming in 2026; and for the County of Wellington is 2027.

7. Items for Review and Comment

7.1 Facility Accessibility Design Manual (FADM)

Ms. Jennifer Adams, County Clerk outlined the work completed the framework completed so far, by Grinham Architects in identifying redundancies in the current FADM and the Ontario Building Code. It was recommended that a working group be formed, made up of members of the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee as well as Municipal staff.

2/2/24

Moved By: Robin Fletcher Seconded By: Heather Small

That the joint Accessibility Advisory Committee form a working group to review FADM items exceeding requirements and bring a first draft of items they chose to prioritize at a future meeting.

Carried

7.2 Drayton Kinette Playground - Mapleton

Questions and comment regarding the Drayton Kinette Playground in Mapleton should be directed to Mapleton's CBO.

7.3 Harriston Fairgrounds Plan - Minto

Ms. Quinn Foerter, Deputy Clerk /Coordinator, Town of Minto, was present to outline the future of the Harriston Fairgrounds. The committee was asked for feedback and comment.

7.4 Township of Centre Wellington Active Transportation and Mobility Master Plan

Mr. Adam Gilmore, Manager of Engineering, Township of Centre Wellington and Jamie Stuckless, Engagement Lead Stuckless Consulting Inc, presented the Active Transportation and Mobility Plan (ATMP). The ATMP will build on the existing and proposed active transportation network. The committee was asked for feedback and comment.

7.5 Township of Centre Wellington Parks and Recreation Master Plan

Ms. Pat Newson, Managing Director of Community Services, Township of Centre Wellington gave an update on the Township of Centre Wellington's Parks and Recreation Master Plan. The committee was asked for feedback and comment.

8. Adjournment

At 2:22 pm, the Chair adjourned the meeting until December 5th, 2024, or at the call of the Chair.

Chair Matthew Bulmer

Accessibility Advisory Committee