Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes Deep River Town Hall

Date: Wednesday June 21st, 2017 2:00 pm

Committee Members:

Present: Sam McCarthy

Anne Hutton Marg Killey Ron Desrochers Christine Armstrong

1. Call To Order

The meeting was called to order by Sam McCarthy at 2:15 pm.

2. Adoption of Agenda: Moved: Ron Desrochers

Second: Marg Killey

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest: None was reported

4. a) Review and Approval of the Minutes of May 10th, 2017: Moved: Marg Killey

Second: Ron Desrochers

5. Business Arising/Reports/Town Accessibility Plan/Ongoing Projects:

ACTION 17-04-19 Sam contacted Wheelchair Friendly Solutions Inc., (www.wfsi.ca) for prices and product information. Wheel Chair Friendly Solutions was given Anne's email address. The information received will be discussed at the next committee meeting. Sam will continue to research other sources for the beach mat. **Ongoing**

ACTION 17-05-10 Marg has measured Lamure Beach for the length of beach mat needed as the water has receded. A map with the measurements was drawn up by Marg and distributed to all committee members. Marg also found a possible accessible path from the parking lot on Beech Ave. This path needs very little work to make it completely accessible. Committee members will go to Lamure Beach and look at Marg's findings to be discussed at the July meeting. Ongoing

ACTION 17-03-01 The Town Accessibility Plan has been completed in Draft form and has been distributed to Ric McGee and Mayor Joan Lougheed for the addition of their introductory paragraphs, review and comments. Anne will also make corrections to page 7 and print out these corrections for the committee's review at the July meeting. **Ongoing**

ACTION 17-05-10 Christine has sent Anne the contact information for the Chamber of Commerce and Anne has emailed this to Bonnie Schryer. **Closed**

ACTION 16-11-03 Councillor Ron Derochers has been very busy with other council meetings and projects and will update his online training at: www.ontario.ca/page/how-train-your-staff-accessibility in the near future. Ongoing

ACTION 17-05-10 Sam and Anne will contact Ivan Saari, the principal at Mackenzie Community School, during the last week of August to set up a program that will have students in the woodworking classes build ramps for businesses in downtown Deep River. **Ongoing**

6. New Business:

Christine Armstrong reported that there may be funding available for improvements to the outdoor space at Lamure Beach from Healthy Kids Community Challenge.

ACTION 17-06-01 Christine will find out what criteria is in place for the use of the money and how much money there is available in this grant. She will report these findings to the committee at our next meeting. **New**

Christine Armstrong reported that the Candu Swimmers Group contacted her about a grant that can be used to improve the swimming pool area of the Community pool. It was suggested to Christine that the money be used to replace the existing sound system, improve the sound barrier and purchase moveable ropes. An email will be sent to Anne Hutton with details of the grant and the Committee will develop a letter to support the application for the grant.

Accessibility Playground update.

Christine Armstrong and Sean Patterson will be working together to do a request for proposal and submitting it the town. Funding for the playground is coming from corporate sponsors and the Town of Deep River. There will be an unveiling ceremony to announce the name of the new playground on Canada Day.

ACTION 17-06-02 Sam McCarthy will ask the Deep River Legion for sponsorship money to help build the new accessibility playground. **New**

7. Adjournment/Next meeting:

The meeting was adjourned at 3:23 pm.

Next Meeting Date: Monday July, 10th, at 2pm.