



**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF GEORGINA**

Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, June 25, 2024
Time: 9:00 AM

Members of Committee Present: Charlene Biggerstaff
Lee Dale
Michelle Radigan-Marriott
Scott Wollin

Members of Committee Absent: Dave Harding

Staff Present: Hillary Thompson
Bob Ferguson
Tim McClatchie
Timothy Higgins
Tanya Mina
Olga Lawton
Tanya Thompson
Susan Lazzer

1. CALL TO ORDER

“The Town of Georgina recognizes and acknowledges that we are on lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of the Mayor and Council, we would like to thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship.

We also recognize the unique relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory. They are the water protectors and environmental stewards of these lands and we join them in these responsibilities.”

Bob Ferguson joined the meeting at 9:01 am.

2. ROLL CALL

As noted above

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0028

Moved By Michelle Radigan-Marriott
Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the June 25, 2024 Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

5. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the May 21, 2024 Meeting

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0029

Moved By Michelle Radigan-Marriott
Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the Minutes of the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting held on May 21, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

7. SPEAKERS

1. AccessNow

Tanya Mina, Web Content Specialist to provide update.

Tim Higgins provided an update regarding the progress of the development of the Multi-Year Accessibility Plan. Current state documentation is well underway with the staff team. Future State Analysis is on schedule for September, 2024.

Tanya Mina provided an update regarding AccessNow. Information on the Town Website as well as AccessNow is constantly being updated as more features become available. The Committee endorsed the accessibility improvements to the Town website and believe it will be of a great benefit to the residents of Georgina, particularly due to the visual aids.

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0030

Moved By Scott Wollin
Seconded By Charlene Biggerstaff

That the update surrounding AccessNow be approved as presented.

Carried

8. DELEGATIONS/ PETITIONS

9. PRESENTATIONS

1. GAAC 2022 Accomplishments

Michelle Radigan-Marriott to present the GAAC 2022 accomplishments for consideration of Committee endorsement.

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0031

Moved By Charlene Biggerstaff
Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the draft of the GAAC 2022 accomplishments created by Michelle Radigan-Marriott, be received as presented.

Carried

10. REPORTS

11. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Referred item from May 8, 2024 Council Meeting

Council received correspondence from Loyalist Township encouraging the Province to create a municipal accessibility fund for municipalities to develop, implement and enforce AODA standards related to goods, services, accommodation, employment and buildings, and referred it to the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee for investigation and return to Council for acknowledgement.

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0032

Moved By Michelle Radigan-Marriott
Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the Committee endorses the correspondence received from Loyalist Township, encouraging the Province to create a municipal accessibility fund for municipalities to develop, implement and enforce AODA standards related to goods, services, accommodation, employment and buildings and refers the matter back to Council for acknowledgment.

Carried

2. Disposition Item Surrounding the Creation of an Accessibility Portal

Council received the Memo surrounding the Committee's desire for the creation of an online portal for the community to submit opportunities to improve accessibility throughout the Town and referred the matter to staff.

Councillor Biggerstaff provided an update stating that staff are currently developing the strategy to move forward with this initiative.

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0033

Moved By Charlene Biggerstaff

Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the update surrounding the creation of an accessibility portal, be approved as presented.

Carried

3. Disposition Item Surrounding the Review of AODA

Council received the Memo surrounding the Committee's request to review the Public Compendium for the 4th Review of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) and referred the matter to the appropriate staff.

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0034

Moved By Scott Wollin

Seconded By Michelle Radigan-Marriott

That the update surrounding the review of the AODA, be approved as presented.

Carried

4. National Accessibility Week Professional Development Forum

Michelle Radigan-Marriott to provide verbal update.

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0035

Moved By Charlene Biggerstaff

Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the update surrounding the National Accessibility Week Professional Development Forum, be approved as presented.

Carried

5. Pefferlaw Pump Track and Skatepark

Grand Opening on Saturday June 22, 2024 at 38 Pete's Lane, Pefferlaw.
Councillor Lee Dale to provide verbal update.

All abilities were able to participate in events due to this fully-accessible addition to Georgina.

In July, a fully-accessible washroom will begin construction at this location.

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0036

Moved By Michelle Radigan-Marriott
Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the update surrounding the Pefferlaw Pump Track and Skatepark, be approved as presented.

Carried

12. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION

13. OTHER BUSINESS

14. CLOSED SESSION

15. MOTION TO ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO. GAAC2024-0036

Moved By Charlene Biggerstaff
Seconded By Scott Wollin

That the meeting adjourn at 9:44am

Carried

Councillor Lee Dale, Chair

Hillary Thompson, Committee Services Coordinator