



**Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee  
Minutes**

**May 27, 2014, 1:30 PM  
Perth East Council Chambers, 25 Mill Street East, Milverton**

**Members Present:** Chair, Janice Klages, Dennis Manarey, Judy Nafziger, Judy Givens, Ethel Sage, Mary McLagan, Shannon Palmer

**Members Absent:** Perth County Councillor Rhonda Ehgoetz

**Staff Present:** Julia Opie, Accessibility Coordinator (Recording Secretary)

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chairperson Klages called the meeting to order and verified quorum was present.

**2. CONFIRMATION OF THE AGENDA**

**Resolution Number AAC-05-14-01**

Moved By Judy Nafziger

Seconded By Judy Givens

THAT the agenda for May 27, 2014 be approved.

Carried.

**3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST and general nature thereof**

No disclosures made.

**4. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES**

**Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee – April 22, 2014**

**Regular Minutes**

**Resolution Number AAC-05-14-02**

Moved By Dennis Manarey

Seconded By Mary McLagan

THAT the minutes of the April 22, 2014 meeting of the Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee be approved.

Carried.

**5. DELEGATIONS – no delegations**



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**6. REPORTS**

**6.0 Site Plan Guidelines Document - Update**

1. **Perth County Accessibility Guidelines Manual:** Planner Stephen Cornwell is now adding a landscape plan to the Perth County Accessibility Guidelines Manual that will include all of the requirements related to landscaping. Stephen may have a summer student work on this portion of the Manual since he is very busy with other projects.
2. **Perth County Archives Building:** The groundbreaking ceremony took place on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2014. They are now clearing trees. The plan is to have a the building move-in ready by November 2014.

**Resolution Number AAC-05-14-03**

Moved By Judy Nafziger

Seconded By Ethel Sage

THAT the Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee accepts this report as information.

Carried.

**6.1 Perth County Public Washrooms Map Project**

The Perth County Public Washroom Map was launched at the Community in Motion Accessibility Fair on May 24, 2014 at the Stratford Rotary Complex. Media came to hear about the project and see how it works on a computer and load up the map on their mobile devices using a QR code. There were copies of the Perth County Visitor's Guide in which the Map is listed (page 32) and the QR code is printed. Business cards were printed with the website and QR code and were handed out at the Accessibility Fair. Approximately \$30 was spent on Business Cards. This will come out of the Special projects Account.

**Resolution Number AAC-05-14-04**

Moved By Shannon Palmer

Seconded By Dennis Manarey

THAT the Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee accepts this report as information

Carried.



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### 6.2 Community in Motion Accessibility Fair

Close to 100 people attended the second annual Community in Motion Accessibility Fair at the Stratford Rotary Complex, which is fewer than last year. It was a beautiful day, and it is assumed that the fine weather contributed to the lower numbers. Of the people who did attend and of the exhibitors, the majority were pleased with the event. There is some talk about shorter hours next year, and moving the date to April. There was also talk amongst committee members about partnering with some other agencies, and having speakers.

#### **Resolution Number AAC-05-14-05**

Moved By Judy Givens

Seconded By Judy Nafziger

THAT Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee accepts this report as information.

Carried.

### 6.3 Coordinator's Report

Two separate reviews of Ontario's accessibility laws are currently underway:

- a) An independent review of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, examining Ontario's progress towards achieving the goals for accessibility set out in the AODA and its standards.
- b) A review of the Customer Service Standard, including its long-term objectives and requirements that organizations must follow.

Submissions to the two reviews were made by the City of Brantford based on input from their Accessibility Advisory Committee, and synopses of their recommendations were shared with the County of Perth AAC.

#### **Resolution Number AAC-05-14-06**

Moved By Judy Nafziger

Seconded By Dennis Manarey

THAT Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee concurs with the recommendations from the City of Brantford to Dean Mayo Moran regarding the AODA review and the Accessibility Directorate regarding the Customer Service Standard Review.

Carried.



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7. **MEMBER CONCERNS** – Member Shannon Palmer discussed the fact that when in her wheelchair, it is often difficult or impossible to navigate sports fields, using the Ball Diamonds in Sebringville (Perth East) as an example. As a result, often parents and grandparents who have disabilities are not able to watch their children/grandchildren from the sidelines.

**Resolution Number AAC-05-14-07**

Moved By Shannon Palmer

Seconded By Dennis Manarey

THAT the Perth County Accessibility Advisory Committee researches ways to make sports fields accessible to persons with disabilities and bring ideas to the June meeting. Based on this information, a letter will be sent to the Lower Tiers and Athletic Associations with recommendations on ways to make sports fields accessible in Perth County.

Carried.

8. **CORRESPONDENCE** - None

9. **CLOSED MEETING** – no closed session

10. **REPORTING OUT FROM CLOSED MEETING** – none

11. **NEXT MEETINGS**

The next meeting and potluck lunch is to be held on June 24, 2014 at the Perth East Council Chambers, 25 Mill Street East, Milverton, ON at 12:30 p.m.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

**Resolution Number AAC-05-14-08**

Moved By Dennis Manarey

Seconded By Judy Givens

THAT the meeting adjourns at 3:30 PM;

Carried.

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Janice Klages, Chairperson

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Julia Opie, Accessibility Coordinator