



Accessibility Advisory Committee Minutes

Thursday, April 14, 2011

6:00 p.m.

Committee Room, Town Hall

Members Present:

Councillor R. Whitehead

Chair: M. Tymkow

Vice-Chair: D. Farrace

E. Annis

D. St. Clair

Members Absent:

R. Cowan (regrets)

D. Scida (regrets)

Town Staff:

Accessibility Program Co-ordinator: L. Ricciuti

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:11 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by: R. Whitehead

AAC-2011-013

That the Agenda for the April 14, 2011 Meeting be approved, with the addition of an urgent business matter regarding the Caledon OPP Detachment Site

Plan and a verbal update from D. Farrace regarding Town of Caledon Recreational Programs.

Carried.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None Stated

4. RECEIPT OF MINUTES

Moved by: M. Tymkow

AAC-2011-014

That the open and closed session minutes of the March 24, 2011 Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting be received.

Carried.

5. REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Committee Work Plan

The Committee discussed the various types of projects that could be included in the Committee Work Plan. Suggestions for the Work Plan include:

- Built Environment Assessment of local businesses;

- The need for Engineering Projects from both the Region of Peel and the Town of Caledon to come before the Committee;
- Increased updates of the different accessibility initiatives taking place at the Town of Caledon to allow for more participation from the Committee;
- Assessing and identifying the gaps in recreational programs offered to increase opportunities for persons with disabilities; and
- Research windrow systems in other municipalities for discussion and consideration.

B. SPA 11-011 – Town of Caledon (Johnston Sports Park)

The following comments were submitted to Brian Lauder, Community Development Planner:

- Please ensure all designated parking spaces are in compliance with Traffic By-law 2011-020.
- Please provide curb depressions onto walking areas for easy access.
- Are there any areas on site for drop-off where vehicle land crossing would not create an unsafe condition.

- Are washroom facilities provided? If so, please outline where on the site plan.
- Are bleachers or any other viewing areas provided other than player benches? If so, are there provisions for accessible or easy access seating?

The following additional comments were made at the meeting:

- The Committee would like to know the total number of parking spaces anticipated for the complete master plan (all future phases included) to determine if sufficient accessible parking spaces have been captured on the site plan.
- The Committee would like staff to look into accessible options for viewing areas to ensure all audiences are able to participate.
- The Committee would like to be involved in the design process of the future pavilion and play area development.

C. SPA 11-16 – Petro Canada

The following comments wer submitted to Brian Lauder, Community Development Planner for consideration:

- Please ensure designated accessible parking spaces are in full compliance with Traffic By-Law 2011-020.
- Please demonstrate on site plan where entrances to the three units will be.
- Please ensure all entrances into units are barrier free.
- Please demonstrate on site plan where light standards will be placed.

The following additional comments were made at the meeting:

- The Committee would like an increase (distance be doubled) in the distance from the edge of the parking lot located in front of the building to the pumping station to eliminate any potential unsafe condition and increase visibility.

D. SPA 11-017 – Wheeler Drive Industrial

The following comments were submitted to Michael Rajk, Community Development Planner for consideration:

- Please ensure all designated accessible parking spaces are in full compliance with Traffic By-law 2011-020.

- Please clearly identify on the site plan where the main barrier-free entrance will be to assist in determining if accessible parking spaces are in an appropriate location.
- Please demonstrate on site plan where any light standards or fixtures will be placed.

No further comments were made at the meeting.

E. SPA 10-115 – Hopcroft Industrial Condos

The following comments were submitted to Ruth Conard, Community Development Planner for consideration:

- Please ensure designated accessible parking spaces are in full compliance with Traffic By-law 2011-020.
- Please ensure all main entrances are barrier-free.
- Please demonstrate on site plan where light standards and/of fixtures will be placed.

No further comments were made at the meeting.

F. Capital Projects Account transfer of Accessibility Enhancements to Town of Caledon Website

L. Ricciuti advised that the funds in one of the Accessibility Enhancements Capital Projects will be transferred to a Website Enhancements Fund to be used for Accessibility Upgrades to the Town's website.

G. OPP Site Plan Review

The following comments were made at the meeting:

- The Committee would like an alternative main entrance configuration, removing the ramp and stairs and replacing it with a gradually sloped exterior route to main entrance to increase equity and independence.
- The captured amount of designated accessible parking spaces on the site plan does not meet compliance with the Town of Caledon Traffic By-law 2011-020.
- The accessible parking space design on the site plan does not comply with the Town of Caledon By-law 2011-020.
- The Committee would like further information regarding signage note 'F' as designated accessible parking spaces are only permitted

to be used by individuals with a valid parking permit.

- As certain parking areas are restricted, the Committee requests public and staff parking areas are handled separately when determining the number of designated accessible parking spaces.

H. Verbal Update – Recreational Programs

D. Farrace advised that the Town of Caledon's Recreational Department is now working directly with Brampton Caledon Community Living to provide integrated opportunities for children with special needs. The intent is to streamline processes and provide easy access to the various families. Additionally, the Town will also be offering summer camp specifically for children with special needs in July and August. The camps will incorporate various activities in the gymnasium, outdoor games, arts, crafts and swimming. Leadership opportunities will also be available to campers.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE/INFORMATION**

1. Caledon Enterprise re: Accessibility Audit Reveals \$12-Million Bill

2. The Regional re: Letter to the Editor – Designated Accessible Parking Spaces
3. Region of Peel re: Centralized Waiting List for Housing: 2010 Update
4. Region of Peel re: Peel Long Term Care 2010 Resident Satisfaction Survey Results
5. Region of Peel re: AAC March 29, 2011 Meeting Minutes

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:36 p.m.

8. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next meeting will be held on May 12, 2011, at 6:00 p.m. in the Committee Room, Town Hall.