



ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE AGENDA

Monday, June 24, 2013, 1 p.m.
55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest by Members

1. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – June 24, 2013 – ITEM #1
Affordable Housing Units (Former Shelburne Hospital)

Mr. Wes Gowing, Dickinson & Hicks to provide an overview of the plans for the Affordable Housing Units in the former Shelburne Hospital renovation project.

2. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – June 24, 2013 – ITEM #2
Review of Minutes – May 13, 2013

Review of the minutes of the May 13, 2013 meeting, for information only.

3. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – May 13, 2013 – ITEM #3
Accessibility for Ontarians with Disability (AODA) Training

A report from the Accessibility Coordinator dated June 24, 2013 with respect to AODA training for municipal staff.

Recommendation:

THAT the report of the Accessibility Coordinator dated June 24th, 2013 – Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA) Training for Municipal Staff be received;

AND THAT approval be given for staff to work with Respect in the Workplace to make AODA training available to all municipal staff before the end of 2013.

4. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – May 13, 2013 – ITEM #3
Access Dufferin: Barrier-free Businesses.

Discussion on Access Dufferin: Barrier-free Businesses Breakfast Workshop.

Next Meeting: At the Call of the Chair
55 Zina Street, Orangeville – Sutton Room



ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

Monday, May 13, 2013

The Committee met at 1:00 p.m. in the Dufferin Room, 30 Centre Street, Orangeville

Members Present: Councillor John Oosterhof (Chair)
Richard Carrera (Vice Chair)
Walter Benotto (arrived at 1.05 p.m.)
Anne Jordan (arrived at 1.05 p.m.)
Mike Gravelle
Taryn Henry (arrived at 1:15 p.m.)
Donna Reid

Staff: Steve Murphy, CEMC/Accessibility Coordinator
Linda Knight, Admin Assistant

Councillor Oosterhof called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest by Members - None

1. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – May 13, 2013 – ITEM #1
AODA Training

Mr. Steve Gibson, Respect in the Workplace presented the Committee with an e-learning program for the Integrated Accessibility Standards Training. The County is obligated by legislation to provide this training to all their municipal employees and volunteers. The Committee decided to review the power point presentation and report back to the next meeting with their comments and recommendations.

2. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – May 13, 2013 – ITEM #2
Tour of W. & M. Edelbrock Centre

The Committee toured the W. & M. Edelbrock Centre to look at accessibility issues. Steve Murphy, CEMC/Accessibility Coordinator led the tour and the following issues were noted;

- Employee workstation tables are too low to accommodate a wheelchair - an adjustable height table for at least one of the work stations is recommended.

- The paper towel dispensers in the washrooms are too high on the wall.
- The fascia on the sink vanities in the washrooms create an obstruction in that they prevent easy access to the sink and soap dispensers.

3. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – May 13, 2013 – ITEM #3
Access Dufferin: Barrier-free Businesses.

A report from Anne Jordan, dated May 13, 2013 to propose that the Committee host a half day workshop to raise awareness of accessibility needs in the County of Dufferin, and to assist businesses and service providers in their efforts to comply with the policies of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)

Moved by Anne Jordan, seconded by Richard Carrera

THAT the Access Dufferin: Barrier Free Businesses meeting be approved,

AND THAT funding be allocated from the Program Costs budget (12-00-35000-3600);

AND THAT a working group develop the details of the meeting and to coordinate the event.

-Carried-

OTHER BUSINESS

4. ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY – May 13, 2013 – ITEM #4
Review of the Minutes – February 11, 2013

The Committee reviewed the minutes of the meeting of February 11, 2013 which were adopted February 28, 2013 Community Services Dufferin Oaks meeting and subsequently approved at the March 14, 2013 Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Walter Benotto seconded by Donna Reid,

THAT the meeting adjourn.

-Carried-

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2.45 p.m.

Next Meeting:

June 24, 2013
Sutton Room,
55 Zina Street, Orangeville

Respectfully submitted

Councillor John Oosterhof, Chair
Accessibility Advisory Committee



REPORT TO COMMUNITY SERVICES DUFFERIN OAKS

To: Chair Oosterhof and Members of the Accessibility Advisory Committee

From: Steve Murphy, Accessibility Coordinator

Date: June 24th, 2013

Subject: **AODA training for municipal staff**

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this report is to obtain approval to provide distance education for all municipal staff in regard to Accessibility for Ontarians with Disability Act (AODA) legislation.

BACKGROUND & DISCUSSION:

The County of Dufferin has an obligation to provide training for all staff, volunteers and contractors who interact with the public on the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. This training is ongoing and must now include the new integrated accessibility standard. The most cost effective and consistent manner in which to offer this training is through distance education.

Working with Respect in the Workplace a fully customized course can be made available to all personnel which they can access from any computer and complete at their convenience. This program meets the requirements of the AODA and prepares the training records required for the annual report to the province of Ontario.

Financial Impact:

The fully customized training package is priced at \$1500.00 for the first year and \$500.00 for each consecutive year. The funds for this initiative would be borne through the Emergency Services Program Cost budget.

2013 – \$1500.00
2014 – \$500.00
2015 - \$500.00

Local Municipal Impact:

Having staff, volunteers and contractors trained to the required AODA standards will ensure that members of the public receive the highest level of service despite any disabilities.

Recommendation:

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AND THAT approval be given for staff to work with Respect in the Workplace to make AODA training available to all municipal staff before the end of 2013.

Respectfully submitted

Steve Murphy
Accessibility Coordinator