ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Thursday,August 1, 2019, at 10:00 a.m.
South Georgian Bay Community Health Centre Board Room
45th Street & Ramblewood, Wasaga Beach

ATTENDANCE:

Fred Heyduk, Chair
John Robbins. Vice Chair
Michelle Heyduk, Secretary
Laura Borland, Deputy Clerk

Greg Forbes, Provincial Parks Officer

Bruce Galbraith Al Davidson Kevin Stevenson Jennifer Bieniek Vic Defrancesco

Mark Kinney, Councillor

G. Forbes, Ontario Parks Superintendent

REGRETS; Kathy Loosemore

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair, Fred Heyduk, welcomed everybody and called the meeting at 10:00 a.m.

- 2. **DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST** None
- 3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING –June 6. 2019

MOVED BY Bruce Galbraith SECONDED BY Mark Kinney

Resolved that the Accessibility Advisory Committee minutes of June 6, 2019 be accepted, as presented.

4. **DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS** — Greg Forbes regarding Playground Equipment at Beach Area 5- The equipment is not fully accessible but is currently safe. The cost to make the playground fully accessible is around \$120,000. The funds for something like this are not available due to larger Park operation costs, etc. Town staff will look into the options, if any, of potential grants/funding for a project like this. Mr. Forbes further advised Committee members that the water levels are down at the beach, which is problematic this year.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS – Portable Lift- Our committee attended a demonstration of a 286 lb. lift. It can be transported by truck and used at many locations with stages. The lift is manual and costs between \$10,000 and \$13,000. Committee advised staff that this would be a great addition to the Town and is in favour of this being the selected unit. A motion was made by Bruce Galbraith to support/endorse this specific lift for the Town, seconded by Vic Defrancesco and carried. All in favor. Staff will look into who will be in charge of this lift and who will be trained on this lift and advise Committee.

6. **SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS** – None

7. NEW BUSINESS

- a) Staff Update Deputy Clerk-GNE fair is Sept. 20 to Sep. 22,2019. Sign up sheet to be filled out at this meeting.
- b) Aug. 6/19 is the soft launch for the new County bus- Wasaga Route (Linx). The pickup location is at the Superstore. The bus will run from 6 a.m. to 7 p.m. Ridership is high. The dial-a-bus will have manual ramps.

c) Councillor Kinney- update

Councilor Kinney updated Committee on a local business that that may have some accessible feature issues. Committee members will review this and discuss at a future meeting. Councillor Kinney advised Committee they are able to watch Council and Committee meetings live stream to learn more about the Town. Town Hall now has low accessible kiosks so there is no waiting in line. These will be running next month.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

September 5, 2019

9. ADJOURNMENT

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:57 a.m.