



## THE CORPORATION OF THE DISTRICT OF PEACHLAND

### Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting

February 15, 2024

5:00 pm

Council Chambers – 4450 6th Street, Peachland

Committee Members Present: Councillor Randey Brophy  
Councillor Terry Condon  
Ms. Wendy Briggs  
Mr. Ted Cave

Committee Members Absent: Ms. Maralee Webber

Administration Present: Jason Sandberg, Director of Engineering  
Jennifer Sawatzky, Director of Corporate Services

#### 1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Councillor Randey Brophy called February 15, 2024, the Peachland Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting to order at 5:00PM.

#### 2. **CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

##### **PAC-24/02/15-001**

Moved By Wendy Briggs

THAT the Committee approve the February 15, 2024 Peachland Accessibility Advisory Committee Agenda as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### 3. **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

##### 3.1 Adoption of the October 26, 2023 Peachland Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

##### **PAC-24/02/15-002**

Moved By Councillor Condon

THAT the Committee adopt the October 26, 2023 Peachland Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes as presented.

**CARRIED**

#### 4. **PRESENTATIONS**

None

#### 5. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

##### 5.1 **Accessibility Survey Results**

The Committee was presented with the Accessibility Survey Results.

- It was noted that 32 responses to the survey were received.
- The majority of respondents were over 45 years of age.
- Over 50% of the respondents have encountered an accessibility barrier in Peachland.
- Multiple comments were received indicated the respondent's top accessibility priorities.
- Several respondents included their contact information indicating interest in participating on the committee.

##### **PAC-24/02/15-003**

Moved By Ted Cave

THAT the Committee accept the report on the Accessibility Survey results for information.

##### **CARRIED**

#### 6. **NEW BUSINESS**

##### 6.1 **Community Engagement - Additional Opportunities**

The Committee discussed further methods of engagement to gain information for the Plan. Discussion ensued relative to:

- Engaging with Community Groups whose focus includes support for those experiencing an accessibility barrier. (Assigned to All Members once groups have been identified)
- Contact hospitals for information. (Assigned to Councillor Brophy)
- Contacting a provincial resource for direction. (Assigned to Jennifer Sawatzky)
- Conducting a wheelchair exercise with local students who will report back to the committee. (Assigned to Wendy Briggs)
- Review survey result for authenticity and validate issue identified. (Assigned to Jason Sandberg)
- Research Accessibility Standards for Websites. (Assigned to Ted Cave).
- Research what other communities have done. (Assigned to Councillor Condon)

**PAC-24/02/15-004**

Moved By Councillor Condon

THAT the Committee assign the tasks identified for additional engagement opportunities and bring the information back to the next meeting for the Committee's consideration.

**CARRIED**

6.2 Accessibility Plan

Discussion ensued relative to:

- the need for community awareness of the Committee's mandate and activities.
- possible survey of businesses in Peachland regarding the financial impact involved in becoming more accessible.
- ensuring that the Committee considers all barriers to accessibility in their work to ensure inclusivity.

6.3 2024 Meeting Schedule

**PAC-24/02/15-005**

Moved By Councillor Condon

THAT the Committee meet on the third Thursday of each month at 5:00PM in Council Chambers.

**CARRIED**

7. ADJOURNMENT

Councillor Brophy adjourned the February 15, 2024 Peachland Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting at 5:33PM.

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Corporate Officer

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Chair