



**ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MINUTES
June 3, 2024**

PRESENT: Céline Vautour, Chair
Rachele Manett, Vice Chair
Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon
Councillor Paul Russell
Councillor Trish Purdy
Glen Babcock
Liz Doull
Oliver Keith

REGRETS: April Adams
June Feswick
Thivjan Tharmaratnam

STAFF: Melissa Myers, Accessibility Advisor
Elizabeth Macdonald, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

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The meeting was called to order at 4:12 p.m., the Committee adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In the absence of the Chair and Vice Chair, the Committee agreed to begin the meeting with member Councillor Russell acting as Chair.

Councillor Russell, Acting Chair called the meeting to order at 4:12 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

1.1 Annual Election of Chair

Councillor Russell, Acting Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

MOVED by Céline Vautour, seconded by Councillor Purdy

THAT Céline Vautour be nominated Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Céline Vautour was declared the successful nominee.

MOVED by Glenn Babcock, seconded by Rachele Manett

THAT Céline Vautour be appointed Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Céline Vautour was declared the Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Céline Vautour assumed the Chair.

1.2 Annual Election of Vice Chair

Elizabeth Macdonald, Legislative Assistant called for nominations for the position of Vice Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

MOVED by Rachele Manett, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Rachele Manett be nominated Vice Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Rachele Manett was declared the successful nominee.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT Rachele Manett be appointed Vice Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Rachele Manett was declared the Vice Chair of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

1.3 Election of Active Transportation Advisory Committee Representative

Elizabeth Macdonald, Legislative Assistant called for nominations for the position of Active Transportation Advisory Committee Representative of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

MOVED by Glenn Babcock, seconded by Councillor Purdy

THAT Glenn Babcock be nominated Active Transportation Advisory Committee Representative of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Glenn Babcock was declared the successful nominee.

MOVED by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Purdy

THAT Glenn Babcock be appointed Active Transportation Advisory Committee Representative of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Glenn Babcock was declared the Active Transportation Advisory Committee Representative of the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 22, 2024

MOVED by Councillor Purdy, seconded by Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon

THAT the minutes of April 22, 2024 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Rachelle Manett, seconded by Councillor Russell

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE

6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

7.1 Correspondence - None

7.2 Petitions – None

7.3 Presentation - None

8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION

9.1 STAFF

9.1.1 Snow Removal in HRM

The following was before the Committee:

- Staff presentation dated June 3, 2024

Steven York, Manager, Winter Operations & Training gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee regarding HRM by-laws, the maintenance of accessible greenspaces during winter months, service standards, an upcoming Winter Operations Service Standard Review and staffing challenges.

9.1.2 Temporary Pedestrian Travel Paths Through Work Sites

The following was before the Committee:

- Transportation Standing Committee report dated February 22, 2024 with attached staff report dated January 11, 2024
- Staff presentation dated June 3, 2024

Crysta Cumming, Manager, Engineer Design gave a presentation, seeking feedback from the Committee on the Temporary Pedestrian Travel Paths Through Work Sites and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

As the meeting had lost quorum at 6:07 p.m., the Committee agreed to defer this item to their next regular meeting.

9.1.3 Discussion of 2024 Work Plan

The following was before the Committee:

- Handout dated May 29, 2024

As the meeting had lost quorum at 6:07 p.m., the Committee agreed to defer this item to their next regular meeting.

10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – June 17, 2024

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:07 p.m.

Elizabeth Macdonald
Legislative Assistant