



**THE TOWN OF GEORGINA**  
**ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**MINUTES**

Monday, September 11, 2017  
9:00 am  
Council Chambers  
Followed by Site Plan Sub-Committee

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 9:02 AM

2. ROLL CALL

Committee members in attendance:

Regional Councillor Naomi Davison (Acting Chair)  
Councillor Dave Harding  
Robert McGill  
Toby Merker  
Dale Genge  
Lorie Ross

Absent Committee members:

Phyllis Baines, Chair (regrets)  
Annette Piggott, Vice Chair (regrets)  
Cindy Clarke

Staff:

Sarah Brislin, Committee Service Coordinator  
Phil Rose-Donahoe, Manager of Cultural Services

Others:

None

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by Lorie Ross, Seconded by Robert McGill

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2017-0037**

That the agenda be approved, with the removal of agenda item 11.7, *placement for grab bars at the Leisure Pool* (duplicate agenda item - see agenda item 11.2).

**Carried.**

5. DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF - *None*
6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(1) Minutes of the meetings held on Monday, June 12, 2017

Moved by Toby Merker, Seconded by Councillor Dave Harding

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2017-0038**

That the minutes of the meeting of Monday, June 12, 2017, be adopted as presented.

**Carried.**

7. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS - *None*
8. PRESENTATIONS - *None*
9. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA - *None*
10. COMMUNICATIONS

(1) GAAC Action Items

Phil Rose-Donahoe provided updates on item 4, 12, 20, and 21.

Accessible seating at the Ice Palace was added to the Action items (# 22).

The Committee was advised the project that had previously received approved funding through the facility reserve fund would now require additional funds as it has now been determined ramps will not fit and a lift will be required to elevate persons with wheelchairs to the raised viewing platform. The Committee discussed the potential for cost savings by doing both the blue and green pad at the same time rather than separately as originally planned. The Committee discussed the desire to complete the project as soon as possible.

Moved by Toby Merker, Seconded by Dale Genge

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2017-0039**

That the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee request Council:

1. Consider having the indoor viewing areas for both the blue and green ice pads at the Ice Palace renovated for accessible viewing at the same time for a potential cost savings.
2. Consider the project will require lift technology and raised platforms for accessible viewing.
3. Direct staff to begin the tender process of searching for contractors to perform the work.
4. Approve Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee members Dale Genge and Toby Merker, be appointed to be involved in the procurement and selection of contractor processes.

**Carried.**

The Committee was advised the Accessibility Reserve Fund balance will at year end be \$421,341.00.

- (2) Recognition of Danny Wheeler
- (3) Georgina Does Inclusive Business - Successful Conclusion of the Six Month Project!
- (4) GAAC Accessible Arm at the Zip-line

The Committee requested Phil Rose-Donahoe inquire as to how the accessible arm at the zip-line is accessible (What type of disability).

- (5) Facebook Comments

Moved by Dale Genge, Seconded by Lorie Ross

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2017-0040**

That the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee request that:

1. Phil Rose-Donahoe request Karyn Stone, Manager of Economic Development draft a letter outlining the funds available for accessible improvements through Community Improvement Plan.
2. That the letter also make business owners aware of the Stopgap foundation.
3. That the letter make businesses aware of concerns that have been sent to the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee.
4. That a letter be distributed to business on High Street.

5. That the letter be co-signed by the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee Chair.

**Carried.**

Committee asked that complainant be made aware of the outcome.

- (6) Sidewalk Hazzard article (run several times through the summer)

The Committee requested that the article run again next summer and that the article advise readers of the by-law infraction fines associated with blocking sidewalks.

- (7) Update regarding the De La Salle Project from Ken Mcalpine.

The Committee discussed a need for an accessible surface, and suggested this this could be a project in 2018.

The Committee inquired about the accessible portable washrooms that would be located on the beach, Phil Rose-Donahoe advised he would follow up on the status.

- (8) Site Plan Review Sub Committee updates
  - A. June 12, 2017, submissions
    - B.1.135
    - B.1.374

Moved by Lorie Ross, Seconded by Dale Genge

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2017-0041**

That the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee receive the following Communication Items:

1. GAAC Action Items
2. Recognition of Danny Wheeler
3. Georgina Does Inclusive Business - Conclusion of the Six Month Project!
4. GAAC Accessible Arm at the Zipline
5. Facebook Comments
6. Sidewalk Hazzard article
7. Update on De La Salle Project
8. Site Plan Review comments (B.1.135 & B.1.374)

**Carried.**

11. OTHER BUSINESS

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## (1) Accessibility Sticker

The Committee reviewed the letter and requested wording be changed to explain that store owners may request for persons with guide dogs proof in the form of an identification card issued by the attorney general or for other service animals a letter from the Doctor as proof.

The Committee was advised some letters have been sent out through the Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development staff member that attends the BIA Board meetings will also receive the letters to distribute. Committee members were advised they may take packages and hand them out to businesses they feel would benefit from the information and stickers.

Phi Rose-Donahoe advised he would follow up with driftwood hotel.

## (2) Placement for grab bars at the Leisure Pool update (Action Item)

This item was deferred to the subsequent meeting, Committee member Annette Piggott was scheduled advise the Committee on the outcome of a site visit to the facility.

## (3) Next steps for the Multiyear Accessibility Plan

The Committee requested this item be added to next agenda. The Committee was advised that the Town is on track with 2025 compliance requirements and does not have many requirements left. Phil advised staff are aiming to have a plan which will be presented to Council in November for 2018-2022.

That the Georgina Accessibility Advisory Committee

## (4) Accessibility Policy update

The Committee discussed updating the Accessibility Policy and Committee member Toby Merker volunteered to assist Phil Rose-Donahoe with the update.

## (5) Scheduling 2018 meeting dates and times.

The Committee reviewed dates and selected the following meeting dates for January to December 2018:

- January 8
- February 5
- March 5
- April 9
- May 7
- June 4

- September 10
- October 1
- November 5
- December 3

(6) 2018 Budget

The Committee requested this be deferred until the building report goes to Council.

(7) Ontario Water Centre

Phil and Councillor Harding met with engineer consultants to review the new barn design for the Ontario Water Centre. The two reported they were satisfied with the designs with the exception of the plans for the elevator which was 2 inches too narrow. They advised the Committee the cost of elevator doubled to go up in size 2 inches. The Barn is being proposed as a facility to host banquets and private functions. The Committee was advised Phil would bring this back to the next meeting and is hoping for resolution to deal with elevator.

(8) Taxi broker accessible training inquiry

Phil advised Committee of Teri Frankland's response. That the Town can inform the brokers of the requirement under the changing legislation and advise of training resources. The Committee requested Teri Frankland be invited to the next GAAC meeting to discuss concerns further.

12. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Moved by Councillor Dave Harding, Seconded by Toby Merker

**RESOLUTION NO. GAAC-2017-0042**

That the Georgina Accessibility Advisory September 11, 2017, meeting be adjourned at 11:10 AM.

**Carried.**

  
Regional Councillor Naomi Davison,  
Acting Chair

  
Sarah A. Brislin, Committee  
Services Coordinator