



THE TOWN OF GEORGINA
EQUITY & DIVERSITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

Tuesday, February 13, 2018

4:30 PM

Council Chambers

Followed by sub-committee meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 4:41 PM

We would like to begin today's meeting by acknowledging that the Town of Georgina is located over lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples and thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one that we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship with.

2. ROLL CALL

The following Committee members were present:

Karen McGill, Chair

Courtney Baumhard, Vice Chair

Councillor Charlene Biggerstaff (departed at 5:10 PM)

Alicia Lauzon

Berenice Ruhl

Kyle Stipanic

The following staff members were in attendance:

Phil Rose-Donahoe, Manager of Cultural Services (departed at 5:31 PM)

Cathy Tustin, Human Resources Generalist

Sandra DiPietrantonio, Administrative Assistant

Sarah Brislin, Committee Services Coordinator

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEMS - *None*

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved Courtney Baumhard, Seconded by Kyle Stipanic

RESOLUTION NO. GEDAC-2018-0006

That the Georgina Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee approve the February 13, 2018, meeting agenda.

Carried.

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

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(1) Meeting minutes from January 9, 2018.

Moved by Kyle Stipanic, Seconded by Courtney Baumhard

RESOLUTION NO. GEDAC-2018-0007

That the Georgina Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee January 9, 2018, meeting minutes be adopted as amended.

Carried.

7. DELEGATIONS/SPEAKERS - *None*

8. PRESENTATIONS - *None*

9. CONSIDERATION OF REPORTS ON THE AGENDA

(1) Updates from Councillor Biggerstaff

Councillor Biggerstaff announced that Council approved the request for \$3000.00 and advised she has requested a closer look at Committees and their budgets. Councillor Biggerstaff advised the Tent is tentatively booked, she has requested the vendor check the site out and advise of permit and tent requirements. Councillor Biggerstaff offered to follow up on the possibility of incorporating art pieces from students that would be reflective of cultural performances.

Moved by Courtney Baumhard, Seconded by Berenice Ruhl

RESOLUTION NO. GEDAC-2018-0008

That the Georgina Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee proceed with confirming participation in Music in the Streets June 23rd 2018 and confirm booking the following Performers:

1. Chippewas Biindigen Healing and Arts
 - Traditional Knowledge Keeper – Opening remarks

- 4 Traditional Dancers
 - Big Drum Performance with Ashunyung Singers
2. Drums et al
 3. Kick up a Fuss Cloggers
 4. Celtic Steps Highland Dancers
 5. Scottish dancers
 6. Chinese Wushu Lion
 7. Dance Express Art Academy

Carried.

10. COMMUNICATIONS

- (1) Defining Municipal Resolutions
- (2) Ontario Supporting Francophone Communities and Culture
- (3) Vernon BC. enhancing its diversity & inclusivity

Moved by Kyle Stipanic, Seconded by Courtney Baumhard

RESOLUTION NO. GEDAC-2018-0009

That the Georgina Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee receive the following Communication items:

1. Defining Municipal Resolutions
2. Ontario Supporting Francophone Communities and Culture
3. Vernon BC. enhancing its diversity & inclusivity

Carried.

11. OTHER BUSINESS

- (1) Community Response to Hate (ongoing item).

The Committee advised the sub-committee meetings will continue to immediately follow Committee meetings.

- (2) Music in the Streets 2018 (ongoing item).

Phil Rose-Donahoe offered to draft a letter targeting the top 6 real estate agents regarding a sponsorship opportunity.

- (3) Georgina 200 year anniversary 2018 event, continued discussion.

The Committee was provided an overview of plans being considered for the 200 year anniversary. The Committee provided Phil Rose-Donahoe suggestions for the event.

(4) Sutton Public School, Newcomer Night on Wednesday, February 21st.

Courtney Baumhard advised the Committee Sutton Public School would be hosting an event that would target newcomer families and provide them with the opportunity to meet faces around the school. The Committee was advised community partners had also been invited to attend in order to help the families integrate into the community.

(5) Inclusivity & Diversity Policy, update.

The Committee was advised Bev Moffatt, Director of Human Resources has reviewed the policy for legislative compliance and it will be going back to Council for approval.

(6) Diversity and Food event, continued discussion.

The Committee requested the item be left on the agenda ongoing item.

(7) Communications strategy, continued discussion.

The Committee discussed the communication pieces being reflective of the multi-cultural faith days once a calendar is obtained.

(8) Multicultural multi-faith electronic calendar, update if available.

The Committee discussed using the multicultural multi faith calendar of either the Peel District School Board, York Region District School Board or York Region Police.

12. CLOSED SESSION, IF REQUIRED

13. MOTION TO ADJOURN

Next meeting: March 13, 2018.

Moved by Kyle Stipanic, Seconded by Courtney Baumhard

RESOLUTION NO. GEDAC-2018-0010


That the Georgina Equity and Diversity Advisory Committee February 13, 2018, meeting adjourn at 5:49 PM.

Carried.



Karen McGill

Chair

per:  _____

C. Sarah A. Brislin

Committee Services Coordinator