



Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 15, 2024

5:00 PM

Council Chambers, 2nd Floor

360 Fairview Avenue West

Essex, Ontario N8M 1Y6

<https://video.isilive.ca/countyofessex/live.html>

Committee

Members:

Dennis Sanson, Chair
Debbie Alexander, Vice Chair
Sherri Currie
Kimberly DeYong, Deputy Mayor - Town of Kingsville
Diana Kirkbride
Julie Miles

Absent:

Rachel Jewell

Administration:

Katherine Hebert, County Clerk/Manager, Records and Accessibility
Crystal Sylvestre, Coordinator, Legislative and Community Services

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:03 PM.

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

We acknowledge the land on which the County of Essex is located is the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations, comprised of the Ojibway, Odawa and Potawatomie Peoples.

We specifically recognize Caldwell First Nation and other First Nations which have provided significant historical and contemporary contributions to this region.

We also value the contributions of all Original Peoples of Turtle Island, who have been living and working on this land from time immemorial.

3. Recording of Attendance

Members of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee attended the meeting at the Essex County Civic Centre Council Chambers.

Rachel Jewell was absent.

Guests from the Town of Essex Accessibility Advisory Committee and Administration were present in Chambers.

4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no conflicts of pecuniary interest declared.

5. Adoption of the Minutes

Minutes of the July 18, 2024 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee

Moved By Debbie Alexander

Seconded By Kimberly DeYong

That the minutes of the July 18, 2024 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee be adopted as presented.

Carried

6. Delegations and Presentations

There were no Delegations or Presentations for the August 15, 2024 meeting.

7. Communications

Moved By Sherri Currie

Seconded By Julie Miles

That items listed on the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee meeting agenda, as items 7. Communications, be received and that any noted action are taken.

Carried

7.1 Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (AODA)

[AODA Toolbox Latest Edition and Archives](#)

7.2 Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Alliance

[AODA Alliance, What's New in Our Program?](#)

7.3 CNIB News

[CNIB News](#)

7.4 Autism Ontario

[July 2024 Newsletter](#)

8. Unfinished Business

There was no Unfinished Business for August 15, 2024.

9. Reports from Administration

9.1 Outdoor Accessibility Fest-for-All Update

Crystal Sylvestre welcomed the guests from the Town of Essex Administration and Accessibility Advisory Committee and thanked them for their support of the event being held at the Town of Essex park in Colchester.

Crystal provided an update of the event plans including a list of exhibitors, the schedule of events and reviewed the site plan.

County of Essex Communications team would be orchestrating a communications plan to advertise the event on the County website and through the County and ECAAC social media platforms pending approval of the plans.

The ECAAC approved the plans to date and would have the opportunity to review the final plan at the September meeting.

10. New Business

There was no New Business to discuss.

11. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee was scheduled for September 5, 2024.

12. Adjournment

Moved By Debbie Alexander

Seconded By Sherri Currie

That the August 15, 2024 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee be adjourned at 5:25 PM.

Carried