



## **Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 10, 2024  
5:00 PM  
Colchester Park  
80 County Road 50, Harrow, ON**

Committee Members: Dennis Sanson, Chair  
Debbie Alexander, Vice Chair  
Sherri Currie  
Rachel Jewell  
Diana Kirkbride  
Julie Miles

Absent: Kimberly DeYong, Deputy Mayor, Town of Kingsville

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 5:04 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 Colchester Park, Harrow, ON.

Kimberly DeYong was absent.

**4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no conflicts of pecuniary interest declared.

**5. Adoption of the Minutes**

Minutes of the August 15, 2024 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee

**Moved By** Debbie Alexander

**Seconded By** Sherri Currie

That the minutes of the August 15, 2024 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

**6. Delegations and Presentations**

There were no Delegations scheduled for the September 10, 2024 ECAAC 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**

[CNIB News](#)

**8. Unfinished Business**

There was no Unfinished Business for September 10, 2024.

**9. Reports from Administration**

**9.1. Outdoor Accessibility Fest-for-All Update**

Crystal Sylvestre provided the Committee with an update of the Fest-for-All plans. The ECAAC review and discussed each item of the event and approved the plans as presented. The discussion was followed by a tour of the facility.

The County of Essex Communications team had advertised the event on the County Website and Social Media channels. Exhibitors had been sent the information to share with their connections.

**10. New Business**

There was no New Business to discuss.

**11. Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee is schedule for 5:00 PM on October 3, 2024 at the Essex County Civic Centre Council Chambers.

**12. Adjournment**

**Moved By** Sherri Currie  
**Seconded By** Julie Miles

That the September 10, 2024 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee be adjourned at 6:15 PM.

**Carried**