



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

**Thursday, June 14, 2018**

**3:00 pm**

**Essex County Civic Centre, Room E  
360 Fairview Avenue West, Upper Floor  
Essex Ontario N8M3G4**

Committee Members: Christine Easterbrook, Chair  
Gord Queen, Vice Chair  
Debbie Alexander  
John Boyko  
Rosemary Cobby  
Therese Lecuyer

Absent: Charles Wimperis

Administration: Renée Trombley

### **1. Call to Order**

### **2. Recording of Attendance**

It was noted that Mr. Wimperis was away. All others were in attendance.

### **3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

There were no conflicts of pecuniary interest declared.

### **4. Adoption of Regular Meeting Minutes**

May 10, 2018 ECAAC Meeting Minutes

**17-2018**

**Moved By** Ms. Lecuyer

**Seconded By** Ms. Cobby

That the minutes of the May 10, 2018 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee be adopted as presented.

**Carried**

**5. Delegations and Presentations**

**6. Communications**

**18-2018**

**Moved By** Ms. Lecuyer

**Seconded By** Ms. Cobby

That the correspondence for the June 14, 2018 meeting be received.

**Carried**

**6.1 AODA Alliance**

Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act Alliance - What's New

**6.2 Huffington Post**

Artificial Intelligence Poised to Improve Lives of People with Disabilities

**6.3 CBC**

Despite Election Promises, Ontario's Mental Health System is 'Not Just a Simple Fix'

**6.4 Lireo Designs**

How to Add Alternative Text to Facebook Photos

**6.5 City News**

Implementing Ontario's Accessibility Law a Priority for Disability Advocates

**6.6 BBC News**

Employers Cannot Ignore Mental Health in the Workplace

**6.7 Government of Canada**

National AccessAbility Week

**6.8 The Vancouver Star**

New Canadian Accessibility Standard for Buildings Benefits Everyone, Disability Advocates Say

**6.9 CBC News**

Some Voters Report Issues With Accessible Voting Machines in Ontario

## **6.10 Wheelchair Travel**

What Airlines Won't Tell you About Pre-boarding for Disabled Passengers

## **7. Unfinished Business**

### **7.1 Facebook**

The Committee discussed the continued strategy to include personal profiles and insights on their Facebook page. Discussion also occurred as the committee received a complaint in regards to a Windsor business from a member of the Facebook community. The committee recommended the patron seek assistance from the Windsor AAC and provided the contact information.

### **7.2 Celebrate Our Abilities - Awareness Walk**

#### **7.2.1 Budget**

Ms. Trombley discussed the event budget.

#### **7.2.2 Event Details**

The committee discussed the event details, reviewed the day's agenda and messaging for marketing.

## **8. Reports and Questions**

## **9. New Business**

### **9.1 2018 Initiatives**

The committee discussed additional priorities for 2018, including:

- Supporting ERCA with recommendations for their trails and outdoor spaces
- Look into information sessions that would benefit the community surrounding accessibility
- Consider supporting an accessibility-themed film event for the community.

### **9.2 Historical Building Accessibility**

Ms. Alexander started a discussion about the importance of accessibility for historical buildings. The committee decided to refer to individual municipalities and historical/heritage societies for more information on this matter.

**10. Next Meeting Date**

July 12, 2018

**11. Adjournment**

**19-2018**

**Moved By** Ms. Lecuyer

**Seconded By** Ms. Cobby

That the June 14, 2018 meeting of the Essex County Accessibility Advisory Committee be adjourned at 5:00 PM.

**Carried**