

Town of Arnprior Accessibility and Age Friendly Advisory Committee Meeting Date: Wednesday, March 5, 2025 Time: 6:30 PM Location: Town Hall – 105 Elgin St. W., Arnprior, ON K7S 1C9

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Land Acknowledgement
- 4. Adoption of Agenda
- 5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest
- 6. Adoption of Previous Minutes
 - a) Committee Minutes November 6th, 2024 (Page 1-3)
- 7. Presentations / Delegations
 - a) Age Friendly Community Plan Focus Group Session, Consultant, J.L. Richards
- 8. Matters Tabled / Deferred / Unfinished Business
- 9. Staff Reports (by Department)
- 10. New Business
 - a) Discussion National AccessAbility Week Ideas May 25-31, 2025
 - b) Roundtable Discussion

11. Adjournment

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Minutes of the Accessibility and Age Friendly Advisory Committee Meeting November 6th, 2024 6:30 PM Town Hall

Committee and Staff Attendance

Committee Members Present:

Tina MacLaren, Chair Lynn Cloutier, Vice Chair Tom Burnette, Councillor Sarah Tait, Committee Member

Committee Members Absent:

Amanda Deschamps, Committee Member Dave Furgoch, Committee Member Amanda Harris, Committee Member

Town Staff Present:

Graeme Ivory, Director of Recreation Kaitlyn Wendland, Client Services Coordinator Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk

1. Call to Order

Tina MacLaren, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called, with all Members of the Committee being present except Amanda Deschamps, Dave Furgoch, and Amanda Harris.

3. Land Acknowledgment

Tina MacLaren asked everyone to take a moment to acknowledge and show respect for the Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of the land we operate on, by stating:

"I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we work, and gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Anishinaabe People. This Algonquin Nation have lived on this land for thousands of years, long before the arrival of the European settlers, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to be present in this territory."

4. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution Number 022-24 Moved by Lynn Cloutier Seconded by Sarah Tait

Be It Resolved That the agenda for the Accessibility and Age Friendly Advisory Committee Meeting dated Wednesday, November 6th, 2024 be adopted.

Resolution Carried

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest None

6. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s) Resolution Number 023-24 Moved by Sarah Tait

Be It Resolved That the minutes for the October 2nd, 2024 Accessibility and Age Friendly Advisory Committee meeting be adopted.

Resolution Carried

7. Presentations/ Delegations

Seconded by Tom Burnette

a) Draft 2024 Accessibility Status Report, Kaitlyn Wendland, Client Services Coordinator, Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk

Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk, presented the Draft 2024 Accessibility Status Report to the Committee, with the following being a summary of the discussion that ensued:

- Committee Members noted the addition of center markers on busy crosswalks and inquired if they will be kept in place over the winter. Town staff informed them that they will be removed for the winter and replaced in the spring.
- Committee Members inquired about the alternative options for installing an elevator at the Arnprior and District Museum. Town staff indicated that alternatives have been investigated and currently this is a project slated many years out in the Long-Range Capital Forecast.
- Committee Members indicated that funding opportunities through Ontario Power Generation (OPG) may be available to support the purchase of additional accessible beach chairs to be used at various parks.
- Committee Members highlighted that Community Living is working with the Arnprior and District Museum to explore options to increase accessibility and various other partnership opportunities.

8. Matters Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business None

9. Staff Reports

None

10. New Business

a) Age Friendly Community Plan, Kaila Zamojski

Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk, provided an overview for the Committee about the awarded Request for Proposal for the development of a new Age-Friendly Community Plan for the Town of Arnprior. It was noted that the Committee will be invited to public engagement sessions beginning in 2025, and that the draft plan will come to the Committee for review next year as well.

b) Ontario Senior Achievement Award

Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk, highlighted this opportunity from the Province of Ontario for Committee Members to nominate Seniors in the community.

c) Roundtable Discussion

Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk, noted that staff are looking to this committee to bring forward any ideas, issues, topics that can be discussed at future meetings. Please bring these items forward and send them by email to the Clerk's Office for inclusion on future agendas to discuss at these meetings.

11. Adjournment

Resolution Number 024-24 Moved by Lynn Cloutier Seconded by Tom Burnette

That the Accessibility and Age Friendly Advisory Committee adjourn at 7:00 PM.

Resolution Carried