



**MINUTES (Draft)**  
**West Grey Local Accessibility Advisory Committee**  
**February 24, 2021, 7:00pm**  
**Online (Zoom)**

**Present:** Pam Michels, Cheryl Lindsay (co-chair), Jennifer Lang,  
Councillor Geoffrey Shea (secretary)

**Regrets:** Andrew McLean, Todd Stoddard (co-chair),

**Call to Order:** Cheryl called the meeting to order at 7:05pm.

**Approval of Agenda (as amended to reflect the Minutes for approval are from Jan 20 2021):** Moved: Pam, Second: Jen, passed.

**Approval of Jan. 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes:** Moved: Jen, Second: Cheryl, passed.

**Delegations:** N/A

**Business Arising from the Previous Meeting**

**Durham Town Hall** – Accessible renovations. Update from Recreation Supervisor Kodey Hewlett (attached).

**Accessibility Inventory** – Cheryl has created a spreadsheet modeled on AccessNow to record how accessible public spaces are in West Grey. Pam noted that not everyone can use AccessNow because it requires a phone with a data plan. She asked if there were specific measurements, etc. that are used to assess accessibility. Jen noted that the AODA had specifics and asked if the Municipality could provide committee members with printed copies of the relevant parts of the AODA. Geoffrey to follow up.

Pam suggested surveying businesses might be a friendlier way of assessing their accessibility and would also work as an educational initiative. Cheryl will invite 1-2 representatives from the Grey County Accessibility Committee to attend one of our meetings, to identify common concerns and to see if they have experience surveying local businesses. Members will consider what questions should go in a survey. We will consider making a recommendation to the Municipality to execute a West Grey-wide survey in a future meeting.

**Recruiting New Members** – Cheryl or Todd has drafted a description of roles and responsibilities that will be helpful when recruiting. Pam noted that Andrew lives in Ayton and could be said to represent that area.

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**StopGap Ramps** – Cheryl talked to Tim Dyck of BIA about presenting about the StopGap initiative at their AGM March 16 or 17, 6:30pm. She thought Todd could participate and might have a video to share. Geoffrey to confirm if the Municipality could participate due to AODA (and will cc Todd and Cheryl).

### **New Business**

Hospital accessibility issues – Cheryl will send her own letter to the Hospital about increased inaccessibility during Covid times.

### **Correspondence - NA**

### **Articles of Interest - NA**

**Next Meeting Date:** Wednesday, March 24, 2021, 7:00pm (and the fourth Wednesday of the month in the future)

**Adjournment:** Moved: Jen, Second: Pam, passed.

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Co-Chair

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Secretary

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## Attachments

February 24, 2021. 12:37pm

Hello Councillor Shea,

Just wanted to pass along some comments for meeting [tonight](#)

We are still waiting on the grant for the bathroom and upgrades. I am anticipating response in mid April / May. The proposed project would focus on an accessible bathroom as well as making the entrance to the main hall (double interior doors) accessible.

If you could please pass this on to the committee it would be greatly appreciated.

Kind Regards,

**Kodey Hewlett**  
**Recreation Supervisor**

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