



Persons With Disabilities Advisory Committee

2121 Second Avenue, Whitehorse, YT Y1A 1C2

May 19, 2015, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm
Heritage Boardroom, City Hall

Minutes

Attendance: Cheri Malo Kinden Kosick
Dave Muir Jenny Roberts
Rick Goodfellow Mike Gau
Sabine Schweiger Doug Hnatiuk
Lisa Rawlings-Bird

Guest: Tracey Wallace, Yukon Human Rights Commission
David Miller (resident)

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1. Agenda
 2. Additions to Agenda:
 3. Approval of Agenda:
 - Moved GW, seconded & carried
 4. Review of Previous Minutes
 5. Approval of Previous Minutes:
 - For revision under new business: Collette's presentation was not at April PDAC meeting and was about People First training.
 - For revision under business arising:
 - Re: National Access Awareness Week - decision was to not pursue this year due to decline. Will focus on International day of the disabled, Dec 3. Lisa to check on status of YCOD.
 - For revision Roundtable – Krista at CGC to be contacted about training.
 - April 20 as revised, moved, seconded, carried
 6. Business Arising / Follow-up / Still to Do:
 - Snow Angels Program
 - Douglas Hnatiuk reports on finding from City of Calgary – is a campaign, not a program. Resolves insurance concerns.

- Feedback from Porter Creek is that campaign is working; no one requested assistance in Copper Ridge.
- Good Samaritan laws eliminates liability for those doing service.
- Suggested that program should be run city-wide. Should discuss who would be central contact – Challenge? PDAC?
Action: To be discussed at next meeting.
- DRC update:
 - Nothing to report.
- City of Whitehorse on Green Sheets:
 - Only one CASM with firm date (Tank Farm PULD Appeal).
- National Access Awareness Week
 - No update
 - **Action:** update at next meeting.
- Parking update Airport and Hospital:
 - Rerouting of buses at hospital proposed. Route and timing is problematic. More discussion to occur.
 - No response from airport authority on questions/suggestions posed by Rick. Rick to follow up at upcoming airport meeting.
 - **Action:** Rick to follow up.
- Building Consolidation Project
 - George met with City committee and will continue to liaise. City willing to look at accessibility. Comes down to costs.
 - Project delayed
 - Suggestion is to add to RFP for Operations Building that it should be designed to B651 standard.
 - Fit-out also critical. Small component of building is office so should be achievable.
- Town Hall Meeting
 - Moved to June 2nd: 4-8.
 - Discussion on video for Deaf.
 - Question about who and what is being done for invites
 - **Action:** Lisa to follow up with MJ
- FUAL List
 - Update – ASL item #1 interpreters – delete
 - UNCRPD– sending invitation to summit to mayor and council – delete
 - Expired items can be deleted

7. New Business

- Accessible Housing: Rick describes Yukon Housing program update. 1 of 3 new programs focusses on assisting with accessible housing. City Planning work used as reference.
- City Accessible Bylaw still under work. Department short staffed. Could be brought to CASM in June. Implementation strategy uncertain.
- Updating Terms of Reference
 - MJ was to be sent input.
 - **Action:** Jenny to take on coordinator role for input.
 - Will need to post for Helen's spot on committee as she has resigned.
 - **Action:** Lisa to coordinate with MJ.
 - City Manager requests that schedule moves to quarterly meetings and to only tackle a couple agenda items at a time. Observation is that agendas are unnecessarily long and not a lot is being crossed out. Will be more effective to focus on just a few items and put concentrated effort in with sufficient time. Significant City resources are being used up with staff attendance and with MJ's job changing she will have less time available.
 - Not supported by members as they feel there are too many items and nothing will get done. In Camera meeting desired to speak frankly.
 - Committee agrees with being more effective. Appreciate time spent by City officials at meetings so happy to look at efficiencies – can be clear about when staff required.
- CRPD update – Yukon Disability Rights Committee created. Motions passed regarding monitoring. Jan Stick to put back to legislation but likely won't be debated. Funding unsuccessful to date. YG does not want to fund monitoring their own project.

8. Upcoming City Policies:

- Nothing noted at this time

9. For Next Meeting:

- **Cherie Malo** to provide update about D409 (regulations regarding tie-downs in cabs)

- **Lisa Rawlings Bird** to contact Krista at CGC for update on work with Deaf people
- 10.** Next meeting: **Monday, June 15, 2015** in the Heritage Boardroom @ 11:30 a.m.