

## Minutes

**Tuesday, January 19, 2016**

**Burgoyne Woods Room at 5:00pm**

### **Attendance:**

Councillor Bill Phillips, Chair  
Councillor Sandie Bellows  
Shelley Stewart (Co-chair, Accessibility Advisory Committee)  
Antonio Sergi (Co-chair, Town and Town Advisory Committee)  
Robert Hillier (Chair, Active Transportation Committee)  
Dave Gerow (Chair, Recreation Facilities and Programming Master Plan Implementation Advisory Committee – (Rec MP Committee)  
Dan Dillon (Director, Transportation and Environmental Services)  
David Oakes (Director, Parks, Recreation and Cultural Services)

### **Guests:**

Phil Cristi, Manager of Programs & Cultural Services, PRCS

### **Regrets:** Councillor Sal Sorrento

Bernice Detorre (Co-chair, Town and Gown Advisory Committee)  
Kristen Sullivan, Staff liaison, Rec MP Committee

### **Staff Liaisons:**

Diana Lecinski– Accessibility Advisory  
Peter Leyser– Active Transportation  
Todd Rogers– Town and Gown  
Leanne Kurek – Recording Secretary, SSC

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- 1. The Chair, Councillor Phillips called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.**
  - 2. Motion to approve the agenda**

*That the Social Sustainability Committee adopt the agenda as presented*

Moved by: Dave Gerow

**Carried**

**3. Motion to approve the SSC minutes, Sept 29**

*That the minutes of the Sept 29<sup>th</sup> SSC meeting be approved as presented*

Moved by: David Oakes

**Carried**

**4. Motion to approve presentations**

n/a

**5. Business arising from the SSC minutes, Sept 29**

n/a

**6. Business**

**6.1 Rec Advisory MP Committee update ~ Dave Gerow**

- Committee has met 4 times since last pillar meeting to discuss pools and Merritton arena
- Committee toured each facility – outdoor pools, Kiwanis Aquatic Centre, Merritton Arena, Centennial Park.
- Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> – Staff report to Council with input from Rec Advisory MP Committee.
  - Report to provide roadmap for outdoor aquatic facilities.
  - Focus on the pillars and creating a livable, sustainable, accessible city.
  - Splash Pads recommended at Arthur St and West Park to replace outdoor pools.
  - Decommissioning of Lancaster and Burgoyne Woods Pools recommended to create green spaces.
  - Focus on the reallocation of funds for outdoor facilities (splash pad/pool combination) – re-purposing of outdoor pools. Current pools would require significant amount of work.
- Feb 22<sup>nd</sup> – Staff report to Council with input from Rec Advisory MP Committee regarding Merritton Arena and Centennial Park.
- Future items for committee:
  - Naming rights for City Facilities
  - City's assets
- Direction of committee and city is to build programs that have access to existing assets i.e. connecting neighborhoods.

**Motion to approve the presentation**

*That the Rec Advisory MP Committee updates be approved, as presented*

Moved by: Bob Hillier

**Carried**

## 6.2 Accessibility Advisory update ~ Shelley Stewart

- 2016 Accessibility Plan – 5 year plan
  - Develop draft with input from staff representatives, library, transit in January
  - Draft plan presented to Accessibility committee, Social Pillar Committee and then sent to City Council for approval
  - Barrier Free Ontario – 2025 framework for City's plan
- AODA Training:
  - Necessary for: staff, councillors and volunteers to complete.
  - Education going forward is critical to create an accessible city.
- Enforcement of Accessibility Standards:
  - Important for the City to enforce the accessibility standards for 3<sup>rd</sup> parties when renting city facilities, parks etc.

### ***Comment from Antonio Sergi:***

Accessibility Awareness Week last week of February at Brock University.

Link the AAC with the students at Brock U.

Antonio to connect with Diana Lecinski.

March Conference: Focus Group presentation to include input from AAC.

### **Motion to approve the presentation**

*That the AAC updates be approved, as presented*

*Moved by: Antonio Sergi*

***Carried***

## 6.3 Town and Gown update ~ Antonio Sergi

- Housing and Transportation are the committee's main objectives.
- Housing:
  - Increased pockets of students in neighbourhoods
  - Clustered areas for students i.e. The Lofts etc. – keeps student housing out of residential
  - Decrease in complaints of student housing
  - City of Thorold –looking to license student homes
  - BUSU - 'good neighbour' awareness campaigns, literature sent to student housing.
  - Brock U does not formally recognize fraternities.
- Transit:
  - BUSU conducted survey of over 3000 students regarding transportation.
  - Currently working on metrics and will post findings on BUSU website
  - Ride With Me Campaign - invited politicians, various stakeholders to share survey results, route utilization followed by riding particular student routes.

- Next Committee meeting – March 10<sup>th</sup> with presentations from the NRP and Fire.

**Motion to approve the presentation**

*That the Town and Gown updates be approved, as presented*

Moved by: Dave Gerow

**Carried**

**6.4 Active Transportation Advisory update ~ Robert Hillier**

- Key priorities for committee – trail system and transit
  - Preservation of old transportation routes i.e. old railway beds to be used as a recreation trail. Committee to identify lands.
  - Shared usage of trails – many modes of transportation i.e. bikes, wheelchairs, e-bikes etc.
  - Multi-use trails – enforcement, way finding
  - Bike Sharing – require more information and better education for residents. Community developed plan, additional bike stands, and complete roads.
  - Bike Repair Kits – Choose accessible locations, signage and sponsorship

**Motion to approve the presentation**

*That the ATC updates be approved, as presented*

Moved by: David Oakes

**Carried**

- 7. Date of next meeting:** Tuesday, April 5, 2016.  
5pm to 6pm  
Burgoyne Woods Room

**8. Motion to adjourn**

*That the Social Sustainability Committee be adjourned at 6:05 p.m.*

Moved by: David Oakes

**Carried**