



Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: March 29, 2021
Time: 10:00 am
Location: Virtual

1. Members Present:

April Begg Goodis (Chair), Jim Young, Deepti Mahajan, Wendy Moraghan, John Kalbfleisch, Nancy Gilbert, David Page

2. Member Regrets:

None.

3. Others Present:

Councillor Shawna Stolte, Rob Axiak (Manager of Recreation Services), Jim Thurston (Representative from Halton Older Adult Advisory Committee), Ken Pirhonen (Manager of Facility Assets), Fernando Moraes (Project Manager-Facilities and Buildings), Kristin Sprukulis (Committee Assistant), Georgie Gartside (Clerk)

4. Declarations of Interest:

None.

5. Approval of Minutes:

5.1 The minutes from the meeting held February 22, 2021 were approved.

6. Delegation(s):

6.1 Halton Older Adult Advisory Committee update

Jim Thurston updated the committee on the Halton Older Adults Advisory Committee initiatives. This included the OAAC's involvement in the inspection of the Halton Region COVID-19 vaccination clinic in Oakville and information regarding the Community Safe and Well Being Initiative in

Halton(slide deck attached) which locates groups that need assistance and determines how to best provide this assistance.

6.2 City Hall renovations conceptual plan

Ken provided an overview of the City Hall renovations conceptual plan. This included photos of the concept work as well as a fly through video of the design. This renovation is meant to have emphasis on the customer space by opening up the floor plan, enhancing the Service Burlington counter, trying to create social distancing components, creating one window for development projects, adding information kiosks and focusing on accessibility for all residents. The report can be found on the March 4th 2021, Environment, Infrastructure and Community Services Committee [minutes](#).

7. Regular Items:

7.1 Appointments to Advisory Committees

a. Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee

Jim Young was appointed as the Burlington Seniors' Advisory Committee representative for the Integrated Transportation Advisory Committee in the interim.

7.2 Follow up with Active Aging Plan

Rob followed up with the Active Aging Plan from the previous meeting, answering any questions regarding the document as a whole.

ACTION: The committee will look into the call to action items further so that next meeting this can be discussed in greater detail.

7.3 Workplan discussion

The workplan for 2021 was discussed.

This included:

- Looking into the call to action items from the Active Aging Plan.
- Having events run through the library as virtual sessions.
- Ensuring that Seniors month in June is celebrated.
- Providing feedback on reports going to committees. Ex: the Housing Strategy and the Integrated Mobility Plan.

7.4 Roundtable Updates

a. Burlington Public Library

NOTE: this will have changed with new updates from the Province

Deepti updated the committee on the Burlington Public Library services during COVID-19. Service is beginning to open at Central branch, and other branches started to open once Halton was moved into the red zone. Computers have started to be booked and appointments can be made by going online or by calling the library. Virtual programs are still going on such as Book Clubs, and some programs are running with the Hamilton Philanthropic.

Calls have been coming into the library regarding tax clinics that are held every year. They are not being run at the library this year due to COVID-19 but more information can be found on the website.

b. Burlington Ready

Wendy updated new members of the committee on what Burlington Ready entails. This is a place where residents can go in their community to get assistance such as when there is a power outage, heat wave, etc. Further updates will be available at the next meeting.

c. Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee

Jim Young updated the committee on the Burlington Inclusivity Advisory Committee. Elections were held for chair and vice chair and a discussion was had on having an Anti-Racism Task Force to address systemic racism.

d. Burlington Accessibility Advisory Committee

Update not available.

7.5 Advisory Committee Orientation Session

Kristin discussed the upcoming Advisory Committee Orientation session. The video and slides will be made available online at a future date.

8. Other Business:

8.1 Recognition

Georgie informed that certificates will be sent out to previous committee members to thank them for their contribution, until something more can be done with the City's new volunteer program, Better Impact.

9. Adjournment: 11:53 a.m.