

**Clarington Accessibility Advisory Committee  
Minutes for the meeting of  
December 2, 2020, 7:30PM  
Via Microsoft Teams**

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**Present:** Shea-Lea Latchford, Chair  
Sylvia Jaspers-Fayer, Vice-Chair  
Pinder DaSilva  
Councillor Janice Jones  
Deb Kalogris  
Sarah McConaghy  
Catherine McConaghy  
Marina Ross  
Sarah Taylor  
Tim Van Leeuwen

**Also Present:** Erica Mittag, Community Development Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 7:20 p.m.

## **1. Review of Previous Meeting Minutes**

1.1. The Members reviewed the meeting minutes from the November 5, 2020 meeting.

Moved by Marina Ross; seconded by Deb Kalogris

That the minutes of the meeting of November 5, 2020 be approved.

**Carried**

## **2. New Business:**

2.1. Inclusive Communities Grant

Erica Mittag shared that the Inclusive Communities Grant was recently launched. This program looks at projects and initiatives that help improve accessibility for seniors and people with disabilities. The Municipality of Clarington is looking to submit an application for the installation of charging stations for mobility devices along paths, trails and in parks across Clarington. The hope is this will support more people in becoming active and using the paths, trails and parks in our community. This is a one-time grant funding program with projects beginning February / March 2021 and completion by March 2022. Some locations could

use existing power from a nearby source; others may require solar powered options. The Accessibility Advisory Committee will be consulted on location selections. Councillor Janice Jones had brought a motion forward to General Government Committee on November 30, 2020 for Council's support of the application. This will be ratified December 14, 2020 at Council.

The Members discussed the initiative and wondered about protection from vandalism, seasonal components and specifics of the charging stations. Erica indicated that City of Sarnia has launched a similar project so she will connect with them for best practices and learnings from their experience. Other factors mentioned will also be considered and included as part of the plan. The Committee will be consulted on design choice for benches and structures.

Moved by Sarah Taylor, seconded by Sylvia Jaspers-Fayer

That Clarington's Accessibility Advisory Committee support an application by the Municipality of Clarington to the Inclusive Communities Program.

**Carried**

Moved by Sarah Taylor, Seconded by Sylvia Jaspers-Fayer

That Clarington's Accessibility Advisory Committee provide a support letter to be submitted with the application

**Carried**

### **3. Adjournment**

4.1 The meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Moved by Sarah Taylor; seconded by Tim Van Leeuwen

That the meeting be adjourned.

**Carried**

**Next meeting Wednesday, January 6, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.**

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