

Clearview Accessibility Advisory Committee

MINUTES

June 09, 2020	3:30 p.m.	Webinar	
Members Present:	Deborah Bronée (Chair), Councillor Doug McKechnie, Manfred Leimgardt, Janneke Leimgardt, Krista Taylor-Bleich, Councillor John Broderick, Ted McGovern, and Mayor Doug Measures.		
Members Absent:	Deborah Hayward.		
Guests Present:	Creemore Village Green foundation, Stuart Lazier and Project Designer Vinh Van.		
Staff Present:	Committee Coordinator, Cayla Reimer; General Manager of Parks, Culture, and Terry Vachon, Staff Liaison, Tammy Gill.	Recreation	

1. Welcome

The Accessibility Advisory Committee met in regular session on June 9, 2020 at 3:30 p.m. online via webinar.

2. Approval of Agenda

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor John Broderick, seconded by Krista Taylor-Bleich, Be It Resolved that the Accessibility Advisory Committee hereby approve the Agenda dated June 9, 2020 as presented.

Motion Carried.

3. Disclosure of pecuniary interest and the general nature thereof

No pecuniary interest was declared.

4. Approval of Minutes – May 12, 2020

Resolution:

Moved by Councillor Doug McKechnie, seconded by Manfred Leimgardt, Be It Resolved that the Accessibility Advisory Committee hereby approve the Minutes dated May 12, 2020 as presented.

Motion Carried.

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5. Business arising from the minutes	5.1 Creemore Village Green		
	General Manager of Parks, Culture, and Recreation, Terry Vachon provided a brief recap of the previous meeting and the answered questions he submitted to the Creemore Village Green Foundation on behalf of the Clearview Accessibility Advisory Committee (attached).		
	Stuat Lazier and Vinh Van provided a walkthrough of the most recent drawings (attached) and reiterated the answered questions as submitted by Terry Vachon.		
	The Committee raised concerns over the width of the Foodland entry way, which has been decluttered and widened to provide accessible access.		
	Stuart and Vinh provided explanation of pathways and their concrete pavers and granite counterparts and explained the slight slope to manage drainage. The stage also has a minimal sloped access that is less than 5%.		
	The Committee discussed raised flower beds and would like to see some added to the concept to allow for accessible gardening opportunities. Stuart informed the Committee that the project is currently over budget and raised planters are just not an option at this point.		
	Stuart and Vinh outlined the plans for site furnishings and accessible seating at the park and plan to store moveable furniture in a garden shed located on the property.		
	The Committee discussed concerns with accessible parking in the area and the opportunity to increase accessible spaces. Terry Vachon and Tammy Gill both believe this will be a Township decision and will comply with public parking spaces guidelines.		
	Stuart Lazier outlined some highlights of the project as; splash pad, concrete ping pong table, small climbing rocks and inscriptions on the granite slabs highlighting Creemore's culture and history.		

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	Terry Vachon informed the Committee that he hopes to present his report to Council at the scheduled June 22, 2020 meeting date to highlight the submitted questions and responses.		
6. Communications from the Chair	No communications were presented.		
7. Site Plans or Building Plans	No site or building plans were presented.		
8. New Business /Around Town items	No items were presented.		
9. Next Meeting	Tuesday July 14, 2020 at 3:30 p.m.		
10. Adjournment	Resolution: Moved by Councillor John Broderick, Be It Resolved that the meeting be adjourned at 4:43 p.m. Motion Carried.		

Date Minutes Approved: July 14, 2020

Deborah Bronée, Chair

Cayla Reimer, Committee Coordinator

Hi Accessibility Committee Members:

Please see the link above for the most current set of drawings for the Creemore Village Green project.

Also as a follow-up to the recent Accessibility Committee meeting, please see the answers below from the concerns identified by the Committee.

Let me know if you require clarification to any items?

Thanks,

Terry

From: Vinh Van <<u>vvan@pfs.bc.ca</u>>
Sent: Thursday, May 21, 2020 9:50 PM
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Cc: Stuart Lazier <<u>stuart@northbridgeim.com</u>>; Steve Sage <<u>ssage@clearview.ca</u>>; Inese Bite <<u>inese1106@gmail.com</u>>; Abbey
Scott <<u>firststepbuilding@gmail.com</u>>; Jennifer Nagai <<u>inagai@pfs.bc.ca</u>>
Subject: RE: Clearview Township Accessibility Advisory Comments

Terry

See my comments below in red.

1. Accessible parking spaces; where will they be located?

• Accessible parking will be located along the northwest corner of the existing parking lot, abutting against the edge of the Village Green. This will provide close access to the entrance to the Building (Station on the Green) as well as the Village Green.

2. Entry way from Foodland to park space looks crowded with bike racks, is the opening wide enough to accommodate accessibility equipment?

• The pathway opening is approximately 1.7m wide and able to accommodate accessible equipment. Bike racks at the Foodland entry way have been removed from this location.

3. Pathways/Surfaces; are they firm enough to accommodate assistive devices, are transitions between surfaces/materials represented visually for those with low vision?

• Pathways and surfaces are non-slip concrete unit pavers and firm enough to accommodate assistive devices. The site is flat with no grade changes with the exception of the 'seating steps' at the stage. The seating steps are an additional casual site seating element. A sloped pathway (less than 5% slope) has been provided on the west side of the stage to ensure universal access to the stage.

• The pathway/ surface material palette is intentionally kept simple with the majority being concrete unit pavers. The pathways are lined with a concrete edging and will help assist with person with visual limitations.

4. Raised garden beds; do they meet Clearview Township's Facility Accessibility Design Standards (FADS) requirements for sitting, kneeling, working in planters (1,000mm wide x 400mm high)?

• Raised garden beds are not part of proposed design. All landscape plantings are contained within a concrete flush edge or concrete curb. The plan designated as planting beds reflect the exact areas of at grade beds that the Creemore Horticultural Society had in the years leading up to 2019.

5. Benches and furniture; meet accessibility standards and 20% are accessible?

• There are a various seating elements that are provided throughout the site to accommodate accessibility. The majority of the fixed benches have backs and arm rests which will help assist with sitting down and standing up. These fixed benches and wood plinths are located along generous walkways where persons in assisted devices can easily join sitting in their wheelchair which will promote face to face social interaction. At the same time the design has accommodated plenty of space for a wheelchair at the end of the seatwall for a side by side configuration.

• Moveable tables and chairs are located at the Mill Street Forecourt, The Square and STOG Terrace. Approximately 30% of the moveable chairs will have armrest for the comfort of those who need leverage getting up from and down into a chair. The moveable tables are wheelchair accessible.

• Waste receptacles has been strategically placed and located on one side of the pedestrian routes so as not to create a hazard for persons with visual limitation.

Cheers,

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