



**ACCESSIBILITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
MINUTES  
February 26, 2024**

**PRESENT:** Andrew Taylor, Chair  
June Feswick, Vice Chair  
Deputy Mayor Cathy Deagle Gammon  
Councillor Trish Purdy  
April Adams  
Elizabeth Doull  
Rachele Manett  
Michelle Mahoney  
Jordan Waterbury

**REGRETS:** Councillor Paul Russell – Leave of Absence

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Councillor Patty Cuttell

**STAFF:** Melissa Myers, Accessibility Advisor, Office of Diversity & Inclusion/ANSAIO  
Annie Sherry, Legislative Assistant  
Alicia Wall, Legislative Support

*The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.*

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*The meeting was called to order at 4:03 p.m., and the Committee adjourned at 5:40 p.m.*

**1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 4:03 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

**2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 15, 2024**

MOVED by Rachele Manett, seconded by June Feswick

**THAT the minutes of January 15, 2024 be approved as circulated.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Deputy Mayor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Michelle Mahoney

**THAT the agenda be approved as presented.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES – NONE**

**5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS – NONE**

**6. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE**

**7. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS**

**7.1 Correspondence – None**

**7.2 Petitions – None**

**7.3 Presentation**

**7.3.1 Invisible Disabilities Presentation**

The following was before the Committee:

- Request to present dated November 23, 2023
- Presentation dated February 26, 2024

Kelsey Green, Complex Trauma Canada gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

**7.3.2 Sail Able Nova Scotia**

The following was before the Committee:

- Request to present dated January 18, 2024
- Presentation dated February 26, 2024

Kevin Penny and Jamie Rygiel, Sail Able Nova Scotia gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Committee.

**8. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

**9. REPORTS/DISCUSSION**

**9.1 STAFF – NONE**

**9.2 COMMITTEE MEMBERS – NONE**

**9.3 STAFF UPDATES – NONE**

**10. ADDED ITEMS – NONE**

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – March 18, 2024**

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Alicia Wall  
Legislative Support