

**TOWN OF KENTVILLE**

**KENTVILLE INCLUSION AND ACCESS ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting Minutes: May 13, 2022

**Town Hall, 354 Main Street, Kentville Nova Scotia**

# PRESENT

**Committee members:**

* Gerald MacPherson
* Councillor Cathy Maxwell
* Spencer Laing
* Yuning Pan (online)
* Deputy Mayor Cate Savage
* Laurel Taylor
* Bernie Zinck

**Staff:**

* Jennifer West
* Rachel Bedingfield
* Dan Troke

# REGRETS:

# APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Meeting is called to order at 9:30 a.m.

# APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**The agenda for the Committee meeting of May 13, 2022 is approved by consensus.**

# APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

**The minutes for the Committee meeting of April 8, 2022 are approved by consensus.**

1. **PRESENTATION: MARY SWEATMAN AND JACKIE ONCESCU**
   * + Discussion about research and language.
     + Discussion about mental health.
     + Discussion around programs (Canadian Race Relations, Coalition of Inclusive Municipalities)
     + Discussion about the importance of arts
     + Discussion about pay-what-you-can model
     + Discussion about social determinants of health
     + The presenters are open to helping out committee for future projects and conversations.

(Cate and Cathy left at 11:30am)

1. **RECREATION FOR ALL POLICY**
   * + Staff will continue to work on this policy and also work on an engagement policy
2. **STREET NAMING POLICY**
   * + Review of policy development by Task Team Chair Laurel Taylor
     + 4.8.1 change to “Confirmation that an existing name does not meet the naming criteria in this policy.”
     + 4.2.3 change to “support letters from the community”
     + The task team recommends that the renaming of Cornwallis Street be associated with a water ceremony

It was moved by Spencer Laing and Laurel Taylor

**That the KIAAC approve the Street Naming and Renaming Policy for approval at Council as amended.**

**Approved by Consensus**

1. **LETTER TO PROVINCE RE BRIDGE**
   * + Approval to pass this along to Council at the May meeting.
2. **TOWN HALL UPDATE**
   * + Update on active transportation plan
     + Update on Internal Operations Committee and culture shift in the building
     + Update on Kirsten’s Rick Hansen certification, she passed her test
     + Update on recreation programs with inclusion and accessibility
     + Update on allocation of time at the arena- for example rental time for women’s sports at the arena. What can we do to improve access for underserved communities?
     + Update on improving arts in the community
3. **NEXT STEPS (NEXT AGENDA)**

Upcoming meetings:

* + - Kirsten Duncan to come talk about Universal Design
    - Addendum to Accessibility Plan, peer-reviewed matrix
    - Michael Getchell, Kings Transit, to discuss transit.
    - Next meetings, set up dates for May to July. Continue with monthly. Reassess frequency in July.

# ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:45 am.

Next meetings on June 10th, July 8th and September 12th.