



## MINUTES

### Special Needs Advisory Committee

Thursday, October 13, 2022

Video Conference

PRESENT: Michael Bachiu, Chairperson  
Daryl New  
Councillor Jamey Logan

ABSENT: Erin Hidlebaugh

ADMINISTRATION: Darrin Stephanson, Director, Public Works and Utilities  
Derek Blais, Director, Parks and Recreation  
Natasha Oegema, Secretary  
Bevan Harlton, Director, Engineering Services

ALSO: Mason Leidal, Spinal Cord Injury Saskatchewan

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

Michael Bachiu, Chairperson, called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by Daryl New

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

Carried

**3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES - September 8, 2022**

Moved by Councillor Logan

THAT the minutes of the Special Needs Advisory Committee dated September 8, 2022, be adopted as presented.

Carried

**4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

**a. Ramp Project**

Councillor Logan informed the Committee that Peacock Collegiate is still interested in taking part in the Ramp Project. The school is requesting a waiver from the City for them to review before work begins.

**CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL REQUIRED**

Moved by Councillor Logan

THAT the Special Needs Advisory Committee recommend to City Council:

**THAT the City Solicitor assist the Special Needs Advisory Committee and its partners in developing a waiver of liability for the Ramp Project prior to November 18, 2022.**

Carried

**b. Advocacy Workshop**

Moved by Councillor Logan

THAT matter 4.b. regarding the Advocacy Workshop be tabled until the November 10, 2022, Special Needs Advisory Committee meeting.

Carried

**c. October Disability Employment Month**

Mr. Bachiu informed the Committee of the Disability Employment Awareness Month (DEAM) campaign that Partners in Employment Moose Jaw is taking part in and encouraged members to help spread awareness.

Administration informed the Committee that the City Hall clock tower will be lit up blue and purple on October 20, 2022, in support of DEAM.

Mason Leidal, Client Service Coordinator for Spinal Cord Injury Saskatchewan (SCI), spoke about hosting a town hall meeting in Moose Jaw to inform the public of services that SCI can offer to the community.

Mr. Bachiu offered the help of Moose Jaw Families for Change to assist in the organization of a town hall meeting.

Moved by Councillor Logan

THAT the information given regarding Disability Employment Awareness Month be received and filed.

Carried

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Christian Horizons Request for Pedestrian Lighted Crossing Signal – Wood Lily Drive, -2022-0233**

Administration provided an overview of the report regarding a request for a Pedestrian Lighted Crossing Signal at 11 Wood Lily Drive.

There was a discussion on the different options for upgrades in this area.

Moved by Councillor Logan

THAT the Special Needs Advisory Committee support Engineering Services' recommendation to City Council to approve pedestrian traffic safety crossing upgrades adjacent and across from 11 Wood Lily Drive.

Carried

**b. Committee Name Change**

The Committee discussed the possibility of changing the committee's name from Special Needs Advisory Committee to 'Accessibility Advisory Committee'. Members agreed that the

name change would be a positive modification and would more accurately reflect the purpose of the Committee.

**CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL REQUIRED**

Moved by Daryl New

THAT the Special Needs Advisory Committee recommend to City Council:

**THAT the City Clerk be directed to review Bylaw No. 5371, Special Needs Advisory Committee Bylaw in order to update the name and language of the Bylaw to focus on improving accessibility and inclusion for all residents, including those with disabilities; and**

**THAT the draft revisions of the Bylaw be presented to the Special Needs Advisory Committee for input, prior to forwarding to City Council for approval.**

Carried

**6. OUTSTANDING ITEMS**

The Outstanding Items list was acknowledged.

**7. NEXT MEETING AND ADJOURNMENT**

The next meeting of the Special Needs Advisory Committee is scheduled to be held Thursday, November 10, 2022, at 7:00 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Logan

THAT the meeting adjourn at 7:47 p.m.

Carried

Emailed approval Oct. 17, 2022

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

**CITY MANAGER'S COMMENTS:**

Jim Puffalt

CITY MANAGER

**MAYOR'S COMMENTS:**

Clive Tolley

MAYOR