



## **Minutes**

### **Municipality of Thames Centre**

### **Accessibility & Inclusivity Advisory Committee**

**September 18, 2023, 1:00 P.M.**

**Municipal Office - Council Chambers  
4305 Hamilton Road, Dorchester, ON**

Members Present: Michelle Smibert, Chair/Council Representative  
Shauna Rae, Community Representative  
Jesse Farquharson, Community Representative

Members Absent: Michelle Coghlin, Vice Chair/Community Representative  
Thomas Heeman, Council Representative

Staff Present: Steve MacDonald  
Jana Nethercott, Recording Secretary

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#### **1. Call To Order**

The meeting was called the meeting to order at 1:07 p.m.

#### **2. Disclosure Of Pecuniary Interest**

No pecuniary interests were disclosed.

**3. Approval of Previous Minutes**

**Moved by:** J. Farquharson

**Seconded by:** S. Rae

(Resolution # AIAC-015-2023)

THAT the minutes of the Accessibility and Inclusivity Advisory Committee meeting held on August 30, 2023 be adopted as presented.

**Carried.**

**4. Presentations/Delegations**

None.

**5. Reports of Staff**

None.

**6. Committee Business**

**6.1 2024 Pride Celebration Date**

Community Member S. Rae reported that due to a change in leadership within the Rainbow Optimists she has not confirmed a possible date for the 2024 Pride Celebration.

**7. Correspondence**

None.

**8. Unfinished Business**

Director of Community Services and Facilities, S. MacDonald reported that the resolution from the previous meeting was received and filed at the September 12, 2023 Council meeting and that staff are finalizing the Enabling Accessibility Grant application which is due in October.

**9. New Business**

Includes other business items requiring direction.

Community Member S. Rae stated that Ingersoll joined the UNESCO list of Inclusive Cities. Committee discussion was had and a request made to provide information on what it takes to join the UNESCO list on the next agenda.

**10. Scheduling of Meetings**

Committee discussion on availability and requested the Recording Secretary contact absent members to confirm availability and provide options for the next meeting.

**11. Adjournment**

There being no further business to discuss it was:

**Moved by:** J. Farquharson

**Seconded by:** S. Rae

(Resolution # AIAC-016-2023)

RESOLVED THAT the meeting adjourn at 1:18 p.m.

**Carried.**