



100 MILE HOUSE ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE

MINUTES OF THE ACCESSIBILITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday, April 17th, 2025, AT 12:00 PM

PRESENT: Donna Barnett Brian Brown
 Lori Fry Ben Vinje
 Kristin Wells Kim Irvine
 Michael McMurray Mike Dewing

ABSENT: Elliesia Parkins

District Staff: T. Boulanger

Media: (0) Other: (0)

	<u>CALL TO ORDER</u> Chair D. Barnett called the meeting to order at 12:05 PM
	<u>APPROVAL OF AGENDA</u>
Approval of the Agenda	Moved By: M. McMurray Seconded By: B.Brown That the April 17th, 2025, Accessibility Committee meeting agenda be approved.
	<u>MINUTES</u>
Minutes – March 20th, 2025	Moved By: B. Vinje Seconded By: K. Wells That the minutes from the March 20th, 2025, meeting be approved as received.

	<u>DELEGATIONS</u>
	No delegations.
	<u>UNFINISHED BUSINESS</u>
Signage	Community Hall Sign has been moved.
SD#27	No response to date received. Send a follow up letter.
SPARC BC	Complete work plan and submit application to SPARC BC for grant funding to start an accessible play area.
	<u>NEW BUSINESS</u>
Pedestrian Awareness & Safety	Discussion surrounding the speed of traffic, driver courtesy and pedestrian safety; key points included: • Traffic along Birch can move quickly, and pedestrians should be aware of their responsibility in crossing safely. • Are there sufficient 30 KM/hr signage throughout municipal roads? • Could you have traffic calming measures or speed bumps along Birch Ave? • Can the speed board be placed on Birch Ave.?
Public Awareness & Campaigning	Concept of spreading awareness on local radio station and conducting interviews to spread the message about accessibility challenges, public safety and awareness.
Transit Stops	Transit stop at the corner of 2 nd & Birch Ave can be challenging as there is no drop down on that curb and public parking can impeded the transit bus from pulling into the bus stop space.

Accessibility Committees	Can we invite members from other community accessibility committees? The Williams Lake committee members have offered to come and visit 100 Mile House to share success stories. M. Dewing will follow up.
Accessibility Assessor	Invite Wally Bramsleven to come to a meeting to discuss his expertise, accessibility, and commercial construction.
Sunflower Lanyards	How can the committee spread awareness on the Sunflower Lanyards?
Accessibility & Tourism	Committee discussed accessibility and tourism and how can travellers discover appropriate information & accessible locations? M. McMurray informed the committee that there are multiple areas online that can help find suitable vacation & holiday ideas: https://www.hellobc.com/accessibility/ https://www.destinationbc.ca/learning-centre/category/accessible-tourism/ https://landwithoutlimits.com/plan-your-adventure/low-mobility-accessible-trails/ https://www.destinationbc.ca/accessibility/ https://sci-bc.ca/info-centre/accessible-travel/
Fun in the Park Family Day	July 5 th is an organized Duck Race and Family Fun Day in the Park. Could be a good opportunity to organize an awareness campaign and seek feedback.
Business Awareness	How can the committee spread awareness and thank businesses that have strived to make accessible improvements? • Certificates of appreciation? • Advocate through the Chamber of Commerce?

Pieces of Me Art Show	Canadian Mental Health Association is hosting an event in the local gallery called Pieces of Me. Kirstin will be working on creating a “visual art show” to allow persons unable to navigate the stairs to the upstairs gallery either online or with a media device in the foyer. The Parkside Art Gallery is a community building that struggles with providing an accessible space due to its stairway.
	<u>CORRESPONDENCE</u>
	<u>OTHER BUSINESS</u>
	<u>ADJOURNMENT</u> Moved By: B.Brown Seconded By: K. Wells That the Committee meeting is adjourned at 12:55 PM.
	Next meeting – May 15 th , 2025 @ 12:00