



Senior Friendly Community Implementation Committee Minutes

May 9, 2018 10:00 am – 11:25 am EMS Training Room, 601 Campbell St

Meeting called by:
Shelley Vaillancourt - Chair

Attendees:

Council (*Voting Members*): Mayor Leslie O'Shaughnessy, Councillor Elaine MacDonald

Community (*Voting Members*): Shelley Vaillancourt, Pamela Carson, Glen G. Grant, Frank Cottier

Working Group (*Non-Voting Members*): Marissa Imrie

Guest(s): Ian McKinnon/Encore Seniors Education Centre, Yvette Gauthier/CCEC, Tania Sveistrup/CDC Estrie, France Brunet/EOHU, Carolle Coleman/CCH

Regrets: no Norm Quenneville, Wayne Markell, Mark Boileau, Brian Lessard, Stacey Ferguson, Susan Conklin, Dianne Kuipers

Absent: Councillor Maurice Dupelle

1. Call to Order and Welcome:

Group welcomed.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

Addition(s) to the agenda:

-Add: 13. Encore Seniors Education Centre Update, 14. Bill Lister/new Chief of Paramedic Services

Motion to approve the amended agenda of May 9, 2018

Motioned by: Councillor Elaine MacDonald

Seconded by: Pamela Carson

All in favour - Carried

3 Conflict of Interest:

No conflicts declared.

4. Approval of the minutes of April 9, 2018:

Amendment to the minutes:

-n/a

Motion to approve the amended minutes of April 9, 2018

Motioned by: Pamela Carson

Seconded by: Glen G. Grant

Business arising will be covered within the agenda. All in favour – Carried

Business Arising

5. Ontario Age-Friendly Community Recognition Award to City of Cornwall:

The City of Cornwall is a recipient of this award, recognizing the work that has been accomplished so far by this the Senior Friendly Community Implementation Committee. The framed award will be presented to Council at its May 28, 2018 meeting. A location to hang the award will be sought, preferably in a high traffic area ie: Benson Centre. It was also suggested that a copy be placed on the City's website.

6. 2018 Senior of the Year Award:

The Nomination Review Committee reviewed the nominee submissions (2) and unanimously selected the recipient. Shelley Vaillancourt contacted the selected nominee to advise her of the nomination and to validate that she is a senior. A certificate provided by the Ministry of Citizenship and Immigration / Ontario Honours and Awards Secretariat will be presented to the recipient.

Action: Tammy Marcil will contact the City Clerk to arrange to have the presentation of the award added to the agenda as well as signing of the book of recognition at the May 28, 2018 meeting of Council.

Action: Marissa Imrie will include news of the award in the June newsletter.

7. Proclamation of Seniors' Month:

Request for proclamation (June) has been submitted to the City Clerk and going before Council on May 28, 2018.

8. Report from Communication Officer:

a. Senior Fair/Centre de santé communautaire de l'estrie (June 7, 2018): Marissa Imrie arranged to have a table/booth at the June 7, 2018 event.

Event is being held at The Care Centre at 510 Second Street East from 10-3.

France Brunet indicated that she will be there representing the EOHU and offered to combine the Senior Friendly handouts with that of the EOHU.

Both Tania Svestrup and Yvette Gauthier will be in attendance.

Action: Marissa Imrie will coordinate with France Brunet in order to provide newsletters/banner/handout with link to Senior page on the City's website --

<http://www.cornwall.ca/en/webadmin/Senior-Friendly-Community-Plan.asp#>

b. Volunteer Fair & Speaking Engagements: Discussion surrounding the event took place and suggestions were made as follows:

-date (June 21 or 28, 2018)

-location (Benson Centre as many seniors go there)

-time of event TBD (3-7 p.m. to accommodate working seniors, other?) keep stats/ track participant arrivals

-target audience/focus (seniors who want to volunteer/share with seniors opportunities to volunteer)

-healthy refreshments (fruit, cheese & crackers, Tim Horton donations, Mayor O'Shaughnessy indicated that his office may be able to cover some costs for refreshments)

-event evaluation form will be available to participants

-group was reminded that both Shelley Vaillancourt and Pamela Carson met to look at

the 'fishbowl' concept for the event ie: scheduled 10 minute presentation at the top of each hour during the event ie: Alzheimer Society, CCEC, Benefits of Volunteering, etc.

-contact made with various organizations who may be seeking volunteers: OSPCA, Agape, Canadian Cancer society, Kinsmen Club of Cornwall, Parisien Manor, Habitat for Humanity, Salvation Army, Tri-County Literacy Council, CNIB, St. John Ambulance, Hearing Society, Adopt-A-Street, etc. Marissa indicated that she has received ten (10) individual responses for more information to date.

-event to be advertised on City's website, Standard-Freeholder, Seaway News, Community News, Interviews.

Action: Marissa Imrie will enquire about availability at the Benson Centre for June 21 or 28, 2018.

Action: A working committee will be established to organize the event(s)

Note: It was suggested that perhaps for the 2nd Volunteer fair (Oct/Fall), the large gym at Centre Charles-Émile-Claude's would be an option.

c. Accessible Business checklist: Latest draft distributed. France Brunet indicated that she found a sample business checklist that would help attract more businesses that she will share; it has a 'What is in it for us if we make these changes.' focus to get businesses interested. A second, more comprehensive document can then be made available if businesses are interested in pursuing it further.

Action: Another draft will be completed and sent out to the committee for feedback. Once feedback is received the final document will be sent to Todd Lihou who is willing to distribute to the business groups in the area.

d. Newsletter: June issue will focus on Seniors Month, City's proclamation, City's recognition award, nominee(s) for senior of the Year Award, volunteer fair, contact information, etc

9. Kinsmen Club of Cornwall/potential support for Cycling Without Age:

As we were not successful in receiving the grant for the Cycling Without Age (CWA) project (as indicated at the last meeting), Committee is looking to other funding options. Also indicated at the last meeting, the Kinsmen Club of Cornwall is looking to support a new project and that perhaps the CWA would be a good fit.

Tania Sveistrup indicated that a meeting was held in April with the Active Transportation Action Group, an action group of Transition Cornwall+; interest in the CWA was also demonstrated by that group – another meeting is scheduled this afternoon. Tania also indicated that she spoke to a representative from the Rotary Club and they are potentially interested in the CWA project and will contact and work with the Kinsmen Club of Cornwall.

Shelley Vaillancourt recently shared with the Committee information on the Healthy Canadian Grant (\$10,000). She also indicated that if all groups, Kinsmen/Rotary/GSDL worked in conjunction we could see this project become a reality.

Note: A presentation to the combined group was suggested as an option for informing group of the CWA and its details including the cost (approx. \$12,000/bike).

10. Grant(s):

a. Final Report Submission for Previous Grant – final report sent / closed.

11. Update: Presentation to Council:

Planned for May 28, 2018.

New Business

12. New Member to Committee via Lay Appointments:

Manon Levesque, City Clerk has the volunteer applications submitted for lay appointments to this Committee; they will be reviewed at the May 14, 2018 meeting of the Lay Appointment Committee. Last appointments for the year will take place at this meeting.

Communications

13. Encore Seniors Education Centre Update:

Ian McKinnon indicated that the recent crisis situation (shared at last meeting) has been averted with regard to the end of the current lease and the Centre seeking new space as they have received a \$12,000 grant for services they provide and this has an added component for rent. They have secured space at Centre Charles-Émile-Claude and will move in to the main floor space (with many windows!) by end of June. The location has lots of parking. Encore Seniors hopes to hold their AGM at the new location if space is available and if not, it will be held in their current space. An open house is anticipated for September.

14. Bill Lister/new Chief of Paramedic Services:

Bill Lister is the new Chief of Paramedic Services for the City. It is anticipated that he may attend future meeting of this Committee.

Other

15. Next scheduled meeting is June 11, 2018, with a reminder that we generally break for July and August and return in September (tentative date: September 10, 2018).

Meeting adjourned at 11:25 am – moved by Pamela Carson.