# Minutes of the Fourth (4th) meeting of the Hearst Accessibility Committee September 17, 2015

The fourth (4th) meeting of this Committee took place at noon hour in the Hearst Town Hall conference room, located at 925 Alexandra Street.

In attendance: Anne-Marie Portelance, President, André Rhéaume, Agathe Cheff, Julie Lanoix, Chantal Dillon and Jean-Paul Grondin.

### 1. Opening

President Portelance opened the meeting at 12:12 pm and welcomed the members, including Jean-Paul Grondin who will hereon take Pierrette Côté Lacroix's place as member of the executive committee.

# 2. Review of the last Executive Committee meeting minutes (June 18, 2015)

Anne-Marie Portelance reviews the minutes of the previous meeting.

# 3. Business arising from previous minutes (June 18, 2015)

The President asks Julie Lanoix an update on the high school students' participation in the International Day of Persons with Disabilities (December 3<sup>-2</sup> 2015). J.Lanoix explains that she is waiting to hear from Johnathan Blier regarding this matter.

#### 4. New Business

- The Chair informed the members that the Lake Johnson's beach evaluation has been done on Septermber 10, 2015. She thanked Julie Lanoix, Sandra Blanchard, Ghislain Allard, Micelle Côté and Kent Mcrae for their valuable contribution. The next evaluation will be held on September 29, 2015 at J.D. Levesque Park. A.M. Portelance will make the necessary arrangements.
- Further to Mayor Roger Sigouin's wishes, A.M.Portelance and A.Rhéaume presented the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.
- Following the e-mail from Trisha Florece of expertise.com, the committee has
  deemed that her request for creating a link on Hearst.ca is not pertinent since this
  website deals only with American programs and services.
- After discussing the next public meeting, the members agreed to invite Dr. Thierry Guindon as guest speaker for the next public meeting, either on October 13 or 15, 2015.

 President Portelance informed the members of a thank you letter she received following the committees' presentation in Timmins during the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration of the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act. A copy of this letter has been forwarded to each member of Town Council.

# 5. Tip of the month

- Manufacturer Mobility Rebate Program: this program gives a rebate on the purchase price of a new accessible vehicle.
- GST and HST specially equipped motor vehicle rebate application: <a href="http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pbg/gf/gst518/gst518-13e.pdf">http://www.cra-arc.gc.ca/E/pbg/gf/gst518/gst518-13e.pdf</a>

# 6. Adjournment:

President adjourned the meeting at 1:14 p.m.

The next public meeting will be held on Tuesday October 20, 2015 at 7 pm in the Heritage Sawmill Marketplace. The next Executive Committee meeting will take place on Friday November 13, 2015 at 12:00 pm (noon hour) in the Town Hall conference room.

Anne-Marie Portelance, President