

**Minutes of the third (3<sup>rd</sup>) meeting of the  
Hearst Accessibility Committee  
October 15, 2020**

The third meeting of this committee took place online at 5:00 p.m. using the Messenger application.

In attendance:

Anne-Marie Portelance, President

Joël Lauzon

Claire Forcier

Julie Lanoix

Chantal G. Dillon

Brianna Picard

### **1. Opening**

The President opened the meeting at 5:05 pm. She welcomed all Executive members. She announced that in November, Daniela Gagnon will replace Tammy Coulombe on the committee.

### **2. Review of the last Executive Committee meeting minutes (June 15, 2020)**

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

### **3. Business arising from previous minutes (June 15, 2020)**

The President provided an update on the Kinsey Park playground project.

### **4. New Business**

- **Park's official opening**

A.-M. Portelance explains that following the current pandemic situation, she contacted Public Health Inspector Deborah Ng, from the Porcupine Health Unit in Kapuskasing, to find out about her recommendations for the official opening of the new park. Following these recommendations, the members chose to announce the park's official opening through a press release to local media and small videos will also follow on social media.

- **Next assessment**

The president explains that the evaluation of the University de Hearst has been postponed again due to the pandemic.

A.-M. Portelance consulted the members about a future assessment of a new Kinsey park.

- **Futur projects**

A.-M. Portelance suggested that each members start thinking about new projects and grants that would improve accessibility in our municipality.

## **5. Tip of the month**

### **One time payment to persons with disabilities.**

This **non-taxable, non-reportable**, one-time payment provides **up to \$600** in recognition of the extraordinary expenses faced by persons with disabilities during the COVID-19 pandemic.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/services/benefits/covid19-emergency-benefits/one-time-payment-persons-disabilities.html>

## **6. Adjournment**

- President adjourned the meeting at 6:23 pm.

The next Executive Committee meeting will take place on Monday, November 30, 2020 at 5 p.m., in the City Hall conference room or via the Zoom app.

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**Anne-Marie Portelance, President**