

# THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WAINFLEET AGE-FRIENDLY ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

C05/23

NOVEMBER 2, 2023

6:00 P.M. BOARDROOM 1

MEMBERS PRESENT: A. Stapleton

K. Krause L. Gibson

M. Grace (Electronic Participation)

REGRETS: D. Flagg

L. Hickey P. Shaw

S. Van Vliet (Councillor)

STAFF PRESENT M. Kirkham Deputy Clerk

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- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Declarations of Interest and the General Nature Thereof
- 3. Adoption of Previous Committee Meeting Minutes
  - a) Minutes of the regular meeting held September 13, 2023

    The minutes of the regular meeting held September 13, 2023 were adopted as circulated.
- 4. **Delegations**

None.

- 5. **Business** 
  - a) Senior's Survey Results

The meeting commenced with a comprehensive review of the recently conducted seniors' survey aimed at identifying barriers and gaps within the Wainfleet community. The survey results unveiled two predominant challenges faced by seniors: transportation and affordable housing.

# Transportation Concerns:

The survey findings highlighted transportation as a significant obstacle for seniors in Wainfleet. Lack of accessible transport options has been identified as a major hurdle for seniors to access essential services, medical facilities, and community engagement activities.

Members emphasized the necessity to explore and implement feasible solutions to enhance transportation accessibility, ensuring seniors' mobility within the community.

## Affordable Housing:

Another critical issue outlined in the survey was the inadequacy of affordable housing options for seniors in Wainfleet. The lack of affordable housing alternatives poses a significant challenge for seniors seeking suitable and cost-effective living arrangements, without moving outside of the community.

Members discussed the possibility of creating a monthly flyer/calendar that could be made available to the community that advertised current activities and programming for seniors within the Township.

# 6. Action Items from Previous Meeting

- a) Options for Survey Creation
- b) Home Care
- c) Housing
- d) Transportation
  - i. Delegation

There has been an invitation out to the Niagara Transit Commission to come and address the Committee to speak about services currently being provided to Wainfleet with respect to transit.

- e) Recreation
- f) Health Care (EMS)

#### 7. Other Business

None.

# 8. **Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting date is scheduled for December 20, 2023.

### 9. Adjournment of Meeting

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

A. Stapleton, CHAIR

M. Kirkham, RECORDING SECRETARY

Approved December 20, 2023