

**PELHAM SENIORS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE****MINUTES 17-07****4:00 PM****Wednesday, October 4, 2017****Council Chambers****Town of Pelham****20 Pelham Town Square**

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<b>Present:</b>	Sharon Cook, Vice-Chair (JAAC) Councillor Peter Papp – left 5:09 pm Robert Hildebrandt (FMA) Del Leney Gwen MacDougall (Lib Board) Sue Kicul (FMA) Debbie Rollo Liisa Harju (Arts) Tessa Piccolo (MYAC) – left 5:10 pm
<b>Staff:</b>	Judy Sheppard, Deputy Clerk
<b>Absent with Regrets:</b>	Gail Hilyer, Chair Lisa Coxon John Swart (PATC)
<b>Also Present:</b>	Ms. Ann Villalta, Member, Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:****(a) DECLARATION OF QUORUM AND CALL TO ORDER (Item 1)**

The Vice-Chair, Sharon Cook, declared quorum and welcomed everyone. Ms. Cook introduced Ms. Ann Villalta who is observing the committee meeting on behalf of the Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee.

**(b) ADOPTION OF AGENDA (Item 2)**

**(Leney/Hildebrandt)**

**THAT the agenda for the October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee meeting be amended as follows:**

**Add: Item 11.6 Affordable Housing in Pelham.**

**CARRIED**

**(Leney/Hildebrandt)**

**THAT the agenda for the October 4<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee meeting be approved as amended.**

**CARRIED**

**(c) DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF (Item 3)**

There were no pecuniary Interests disclosed by any of the members present.

**(d) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)**

**September 6, 2017 (Item 4.1)**

**(Leney/Piccolo)**

**THAT the Minutes of the September 6<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee meeting be approved, as presented.**

**CARRIED**

**(e) PRESENTATIONS (Item 5)**

None

**(f) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

None

**(g) BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES (Item 7)****i. New Horizons for Seniors Project (Item 7.1)**

The Town of Pelham has submitted an application to the New Horizons Seniors Project (NHSP) for funding in the amount of \$25,000, part of which is to conduct a survey in the Town of Pelham regarding Age-Friendly needs. A response is expected January 2018.

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**ii. Pre-New Horizons Approval – Study (Item 7.1.1)**

In anticipation of a favourable response from the NHSP, the Council has approved a recommendation from the Committee to contract to undertake a detailed review of all Regional Age-Friendly documents, including those from Regional and Municipal Committees, to develop a specific and inclusive format in order to proceed with a future survey of older adult residents of the Town of Pelham.

A position description, in cooperation with the Director of Human Resources will be established and posted on the Town's website and forwarded to Niagara College and Brock University.

**iii. WHO (World Health Organization) (Item 7.2)**

The Town of Pelham has been officially welcomed as a member of the World Health Organization Global Network of Age-friendly Cities and Communities. There will be a community celebration planned to commemorate the Committee for its great accomplishment. Details of the celebration will be announced at a later date.

**iv. Conversation Café – Discussion (Item 7.3)**

Ms. Cook provided an update regarding the Conversation Café which was held on September 27, 2017 at Boggio's Fonthill Pharmacy and Log Cabin Gift Shoppe.

All members were encouraged to attend all Conversation Cafés, whenever possible, to support other members.

Following discussion regarding advertising, there will be a 2017 Conversation Café schedule available at the Town office for members who are interested in posting to various locations around town.

**(h) COMMITTEE REPORTS (Item 8)****i. Joint Accessibility Advisory Committee (Item 8.1)**

Members are promoting awareness by reaching out to the community and attending various Council and Committee of Council meetings for observation purposes.

Ms. Ann Villalta is a member of the JAAC and is in attendance at the Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee meeting tonight to observe the business of the meeting. Ms. Cook welcomed her on behalf of the Committee.

**ii. Pelham Active Transportation Committee (Item 8.2)**

This item was deferred.

**(i) CORRESPONDENCE TO THE COMMITTEE (Item 9)**

There was no correspondence received by the Committee.

**(j) CORRESPONDENCE FROM THE COMMITTEE (Item 10)**

There was no correspondence from the Committee.

**(k) NEW BUSINESS (Item 11)****i. GOALS AND INITIATIVES – 2018 (Item 11.1)**

Following discussion regarding the Committee's 2018 Strategic Plan, it was decided that the December meeting would be dedicated to a session to update the Committee's goals and initiatives and that a Facilitator would be invited to facilitate the session.

**(MacDougall/Rollo)**

**THAT a Volunteer Facilitator, who is knowledgeable about PSAC's structure, be invited to facilitate a session to update the Strategic Plan for the Pelham Seniors Advisory Committee respecting its goals and initiatives for 2018.**

**CARRIED**

**ii. AGING IN PLACE – HOUSING AND SERVICES, OCTOBER 25, 2017 (Item 11.2)**

Provided for information - a conference, Aging in Place – Housing and Services, Wednesday, October 25, 2017, The Ontario Paper Thorold Senior Centre, 8 Carleton Street South, Thorold, ON.

**iii. SENIORS COMMUNITY GRANT PROGRAM (Item 11.3)**

Provided for information - there are grants available from the Seniors Community Grant Program 2017-2019 with a deadline on Thursday, November 30, 2017.

**iv. AGE-FRIENDLY NIAGARA ACTION GROUPS (Item 11.4)**

Provided for information - Members were advised of the following Committee meetings, in the event that someone is interested in attending:

Community Engagement and Communication (Action Group 1)  
*Wednesday, November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.*

Recreation, Leisure and Learning (Action Group 2)  
*Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017 9:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.*

Improved Services, Systems and Infrastructure (Action Group 3)  
*Wednesday, October 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017 1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.*

**v. LIFE SPAN CENTRE (Item 11.5)**

The Lifespan Centre at Brock University invites local community members who are 60 years of age or over to apply to join a Seniors Advisory Council.

The Seniors Advisory Council will help to provide community insight to the researchers and staff at Brock University's Centre for Lifespan Development Research. Joining this council can provide a unique way to learn more about the research and knowledge mobilization happening at the Lifespan Centre, give you the opportunity to have your voice heard and impact research happening in the Niagara region.

To join, please visit [www.brocku.ca/lifespan-development-research/sac-application](http://www.brocku.ca/lifespan-development-research/sac-application) and fill out the application form. Applications are due by October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017. For more information, please contact Jayne Morrish at [jmorrish@brocku.ca](mailto:jmorrish@brocku.ca) or 905-688-5550 ext. 4566.

**vi. Affordable Housing In Pelham (Item 11.6)**

Following extensive discussion regarding the lack of affordable housing in the community, the committee suggested that there should be a question in the proposed survey regarding housing.

**(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 12)**

**(MacDougall/Kicul)**

**THAT the meeting of the Pelham Seniors' Advisory Committee, October 4, 2017, be adjourned at 5:56 p.m.**

**CARRIED**