



AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES WORKING GROUP AGENDA

Monday, April 4th, 2016 - 10:00 a.m.
Municipal Office – Council Chambers – 217 Harper Road

Chair, Councillor Judy Farrell

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF**
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

- i) **Minutes – February 1st, 2016 – *attached, page 4.***

Suggested Recommendation:

***“THAT,** the minutes of the Age Friendly Communities Working Group Meeting held on February 1st, 2016 be approved as circulated.”*

- 5. DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS**
- 6. BUSINESS**

- i) **Age-Friendly Community Plan Survey.**
Noelle Reeve, Planner

- Survey Results
- Way Forward

- ii) **Public Meeting.**
Noelle Reeve, Planner

- Date and Location

- iii) **Open Forum Discussion.**

- Next Steps

7. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

Next Meeting: June 6th, 2016 – 10:00 a.m.

Proposed Agenda Items:

- To be determined.

9. DEFERRED ITEMS

**The following items will be discussed at the next and/or future meeting:*

- *None at this time*

10. ADJOURNMENT

MINUTES

AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES WORKING GROUP MINUTES

Monday, February 1st, 2016

10:00 a.m.

**Tay Valley Municipal Office – 217 Harper Road, Perth, Ontario
Council Chambers**

ATTENDANCE:

Members Present: Chair, Councillor Judy Farrell
Christine Edmundson
Roberta Hayley
Jane Olson
Susan Sams

Staff Present: Larry Donaldson, Chief Administrative Officer (arrived at
10:15 a.m.)
Noelle Reeve, Planner
Julie Whyte, Recording Secretary

Others Present: None.

Members & Staff Absent: David Palmer

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.
A quorum was present.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None at this time.

3. AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was adopted as presented.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

i) Minutes – December 7th, 2015.

Under Attendance: Members Present – Jane Olsen's name to be revised to: Jane Olson.

Under Business: iii) Age Friendly Communities Grant Overview – Bullet Point #1 A communal location (co-housing) for seniors be revised to:
A community location for seniors to gather, exercise, socialize and support one another, with the inclusion of contracted support and/or volunteer support programs in place.

Under Business: iii) Age Friendly Communities Grant Overview – Bullet Point #2 Co-housing be added as:

Co-housing is an option that is being explored in the area (i.e. Perth) by Tay Valley residents and the Working Group members would like to explore it and have the Township look at the necessary changes in zoning, planning, infrastructure, etc.

The minutes of the Age Friendly Communities Working Group Meeting held on December 7th, 2015 were approved as amended.

5. DELEGATIONS & PRESENTATIONS

None.

6. BUSINESS

i) Sample Surveys Noelle Reeve, Planner

- Review

The Working Group members reviewed and amended the sample survey questions to determine how they would apply to Tay Valley and its residents.

- Timing

The Working Group members agreed that the Tay Valley Township survey is to be completed by mid-February. Post completion, distribution and three weeks for the return of survey questions to the Township Office are estimated.

- Distribution

Options discussed by the Working Group members were:

- i) Bulk mail distribution (return options via Township Office and Waste Sites – drop boxes)
- ii) Online service distribution (Survey Monkey – calculates survey data automatically)
- iii) EMC, Newsfeeds, and Facebook (“Did You Know”)
- iv) Lake 88.1 advertising (Councillor J. Farrell and Planner, N. Reeve).

- ii) **Age Friendly Community Activities**

Noelle Reeve, Planner

N. Reeve presented reference materials to the Working Group members and provided a briefing for each. Links and/or copies will be emailed to the Working Group members post meeting.

- Local Health Hub

- i) *Rural Health Hubs Framework for Ontario* – N. Reeve stated that the advertisement for a Regional Health Hub requirement to retain medical services was in the January 28th, 2016 EMC newspaper.

- Lanark County Plan to End Homelessness

- i) *Housing and Homelessness Blueprint* – Lanark County and the Town of Smiths Falls Ten-Year Housing and Homelessness Plan 2014-2024
- ii) *Long-Term Affordable Housing Strategy Update – Consultation Discussion Guide* – Ontario, Municipal Affairs and Housing

- Other Related Documents

- i) *Community Engagement and Outreach Strategy – Post Health Care Symposium* – Perth and Smiths Falls District Hospital
- ii) *A Guide to Programs and Services for Seniors in Ontario* – Ontario Government
- iii) *Independence, Activity and Good Health – Ontario’s Action Plan for Seniors* – Ontario Government
- iv) *Finding the Right Fit – Age Friendly Community Planning* – Secretary General of the United Nations

- v) *Age-Friendly Rural and Remote Communities: A Guide – Federal/Provincial/Territorial Ministers Responsible for Seniors*
- vi) *Focus on Rural Ontario – Living Arrangements of Seniors: Collective Dwellings – Rural Ontario Institute*
- vii) *Focus on Rural Ontario – Living Arrangement of Seniors in Private Dwellings – Rural Ontario Institute*

7. NEW/OTHER BUSINESS

i) Open Forum Discussion.

- Observations & Comments

The Working Group members discussed observations and possible actions that could be taken within the Tay Valley communities. The idea of forming smaller communities within Tay Valley Township could assist with socializing and aiding one another within their own rural neighbourhood areas. The mention of hiring a local facilitator that practices strengthening community needs was also discussed.

The possibility of zoning certain areas for flexible housing options can be looked into by N. Reeve.

The notion of having a Senior's Forum in the local newspaper, as well as information being provided for seniors at the Municipal Office was brought forth.

J. Olson brought a book to share with the Working Group titled, "*CoHousing – A Contemporary Approach to Housing Ourselves*" – by Kathryn McCamant and Charles Durrett.

- Next Steps

Promote survey.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS

Next Meeting: April 4th, 2016, 10:00 a.m.

Proposed Agenda Items:

- To be determined.

9. DEFERRED ITEMS

**The following items will be discussed at the next and/or future meeting:*

- *None at this time.*

ADJOURNMENT

The Working Group adjourned at 11:50 a.m.