

STAFF REPORT

To: Council

From: Adam Dedrick, Director of Recreation & Parks

Approved by: Warren MacLeod, Chief Administrative Officer

Date: September 23, 0226

Subject: Member Appointment – Eastern Shelburne County Accessibility Advisory Committee

Origin

The Municipality advertised for members of the public to join the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Recommendation

THAT, Council of the Municipality of the District of Shelburne appoint Cathy McNaughton to the Eastern Shelburne County Accessibility Advisory Committee as a member of the public representing the Municipality of Shelburne for a two-year term.

Background

Since 2021 the Municipality has tried to maintain two community members as representatives on the Eastern Shelburne County Accessibility Advisory Committee. There is currently a vacancy for one of those spots so it was advertised to the public. The Committee meets quarterly and provides oversight on the implementation of the Eastern Shelburne County Accessibility Plan.

Discussion

Cathy, a resident of Sandy Point, is an architect with over twenty years of experience working with a variety of public projects where accessibility is an integral consideration in the development of design and planning solutions. As a result, she has detailed knowledge of accessibility codes and standards and how buildings and exterior spaces can be developed to provide a fully accessible environment for all. Cathy was vice president of the Sandy Point Community Recreation Group for several years from 2023 to 2025. Her role involved helping to coordinate events, review maintenance requirements and work to establish a long term and short term renovation plan for both the lighthouse and community hall. Cathy expressed that she wants to dedicate some of her time to volunteer in her community and contribute to the improvement of accessibility for all.

Cathy's background and experience in accessibility standards and her desire to volunteer and make a difference in the community makes her an ideal fit for the committee. It is recommended that she be appointed as a public member of the committee, representing the Municipality of Shelburne.