



**MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE
HEALTH, WELLNESS, FITNESS AND ACTIVE TRANSPORTATION
ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES**

**March 20, 2025, 5:00 p.m.
Held in Meeting Room 2, 285 County Road 44**

MEMBERS PRESENT Co-Chair Councillor Doreen O'Sullivan
Co-Chair Tanya Deans
Councillor Deb Wilson
Michael Amirault
Robert Angi
Amy Culhane
Robert Matheson

MEMBERS ABSENT Mayor Nancy Peckford
Sherri Guthrie
Anne Jesseau
Mark Kandalaft
Charles McDonald

STAFF PRESENT Senterre McKenna, Committee Clerk
Amy Martin, Director of Planning

A. OPEN MEETING

Co-Chair Tanya Deans called the meeting to order at 5:06p.m.

B. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Land Acknowledgment was read by Tanya Deans.

C. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

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Moved By Doreen O'Sullivan

Seconded By Michael Amirault

*Be it resolved that:
The Health, Wellness, Fitness, and Active Transportation agenda for
March 20, 2025 be approved as presented.*

CARRIED

D. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

E. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

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Moved By Tanya Deans

Seconded By Deb Wilson

Be it resolved that:

The following meeting minutes be approved as circulated:

1. February 11, 2025

CARRIED

1. Committee Meeting Minutes - February 11, 2025

F. DELEGATIONS

None.

G. DECISION ITEMS

None.

H. REPORTS, INFORMATION, AND CORRESPONDENCE

1. Transportation Master Plan Discussion

There was a discussion regarding the Active Transportation section of the current master plan. It was suggested that Active Transportation be given equal priority and focus through a new study. Amy Martin highlighted the necessary connections for an East-West link.

The Official Plan RFP will be released soon, and there will be a public open house to gather community feedback, as well as input from the committees. Specific committees may also be asked for policy feedback.

2. OVI Phase 2 and eQuinelle Phase 6

Doreen O'Sullivan requested an update on the OVI Phase 2 and EQuinelle Phase 6 plans for Multi-Use Pathways (MUP) and pedestrian access.

Amy Martin provided a high-level update on the future plans for EQuinelle Phase 6, noting that both phases will connect to the existing Settlers Grant Subdivision. She emphasized that careful consideration was given to the trail crossings, with specific measures in place to ensure pedestrian safety during construction. Amy Martin mentioned ongoing discussions with the construction planning teams for both developments.

Tanya Deans inquired about additional details regarding the Pedestrian Crossover (PXO) at the Pine Hill Rd. Roundabout. Amy Martin explained that planning and design work for this has been included in the 2025 budget, which will facilitate a connection between Kemptville Lifestyle's new development, Kemptville Mall lands, and Oxford Village Inc. (OVI) Phase 2.

Doreen O'Sullivan added that there had been extensive discussions about the planned MUP from De Pencier Dr. to Pine Hill Rd., and the possibility of completing the work sooner. Amy Martin responded, noting that this planned MUP will return to Council for approval before construction begins, as preliminary infrastructure work needs to be completed for Kemptville Lifestyle's development.

Mike Amirault asked about the construction timeline for the crossing over Settlers Trail. Amy Martin confirmed that construction is still 1-2 years away, though some preliminary work has been completed. She clarified that active construction would not start until then. She also confirmed that there will be two crossings over Settlers Trail: one vehicle crossing connecting EQuinelle and the other through OVI via green linkages.

3. Secured Storage of Kayaks at Curry Park

Robert Angi presented his report and research on potential options for kayak storage at Curry Park. He reached out to Skedaddle Let's Paddle, a local company, but did not receive a response. He also contacted Drifters and discussed kayak storage but encountered challenges with outside storage.

Robert Angi reached out to a local metalworker who could construct two racks for storage, estimated cost at around \$1200. He also

explored similar storage options in North Bay, at a waterfront kayak area, which features a fenced area with a locked gate.

Deb Wilson mentioned that a waterfront development plan is currently in progress and suggested that this could be a potential topic for a CEDAC presentation. She offered to coordinate with Robert Angi in the future to prepare the presentation for a future CEDAC meeting.

The committee expressed support for revisiting this topic in the future.

This item has been added to the workplan.

4. Letter of Opinion Re: Settler's Trail

Moved to the next meeting.

5. Update on Letter of Support for the Rail Trail Funding

Doreen O'Sullivan mentioned that the attached letter was submitted to request a grant for the improvement of the Rail Trail. She also highlighted a request for a connection between Kemptville and Prescott. Doreen pointed out that if this connection is established, it would create a continuous route from Ottawa to Prescott and eventually extend to Niagara Falls.

Deb Wilson inquired about membership, specifically whether Sherri Guthrie is still a member of the committee. She noted that Sherri Guthrie has not attended a meeting in over a year and would like to confirm if she is still interested in remaining a member. The Co-Chairs will reach out to Sherri Guthrie to confirm her continued involvement.

I. OTHER BUSINESS

1. Items for Next Meeting

Tanya Deans would like a future delegation from Kate Stacey from Diversx for support with families with children with autism and there is an initiative in May, to help bring awareness.

Vice President from Kemptville District Hospital and their initiative for a nurse practitioner clinic to North Grenville.

OCISO newcomer services to Canada, to promote awareness and mentorship in North Grenville.

Doreen O'Sullivan would like to give a presentation on heart health to the members.

1. Workplan Review
2. Letter of Opinion: Settlers Trail
3. Terms of Reference

4. Rural FASD Red Shoe Triathlon Update August 17, 2025
5. Delegation: Kate Stacey from Diversx

J. PUBLIC QUESTIONS

None.

K. ADJOURN

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Moved By Doreen O'Sullivan

Seconded By Robert Matheson

Be it resolved that:

This meeting adjourned at 6:17pm.

CARRIED