

AGE-FRIENDLY WINDSOR WORKING GROUP (AFWWG)

Meeting held November 26, 2025

A meeting of the Age Friendly Windsor Working Group is held this day commencing at 9:30 o'clock a.m. in Room 522a, there being present the following members:

Larry Duffield
Andrea Grimes
Cindy Matchett
Roxanne Tellier
Tom Wilson

Regrets received from:

Gerald Corriveau

Also present are the following resource personnel:

Kara Kristoff, Chair and Supervisor Community Programming
Christina Ritorto, Client Support & Staff Development Coordinator
Kait Authier, Coordinator Programming
Laura Ash, Project Lead, Parks Development
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 9:30 o'clock a.m. and the Age Friendly Working Group considers the Agenda being Schedule A attached hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

2. Declaration of Conflict

None disclosed.

3. Adoption of the Minutes

Moved by Roxanne Tellier, seconded by Tom Wilson,
That the minutes of the meeting of the Age Friendly Windsor Working Group held May 14, 2025, **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

4. Business Items

4.1 Business Arising from the Minutes

Transit Windsor follow-up and future departmental updates

Kait Authier, Coordinator Programming advises in speaking with David Calibabba, Manager Sales and Marketing at Transit Windsor, advised he would provide a presentation to interested community members regarding services that are available. She adds that the topics of concern relate to purchasing a bus pass or tickets, the current bus rates and what services are available.

The Chair reports that David Calibabba has offered to attend a future meeting of the Working Group to provide answers to questions posed by the committee.

Larry Duffield suggests mapping out a work plan for the remainder the term.

The Chair asks if there are other areas within the Corporation that would be of interest to the Working Group as it relates to senior's concerns and the following comments are provided:

- Request for information regarding the Snow Angels Program and other volunteer opportunities.
- Overview of City Departments and what they do including community centres.
- A request for speakers from Parks and Recreation and Transit along with Housing and Social Services.
- Suggestion to ask departments what they do for seniors.
- Concern is expressed regarding the lack of exercise facilities for seniors in the downtown core.
- Recommendation to teach the basics of playing pickleball which can be publicized at the various city libraries.

Community Engagement & Speaker Series

The Chair proposes that the next Community Engagement & Speaker Series will include sessions with Transit Windsor and Recreation.

Discussion ensues regarding the venue and the various costs associated with the event including advertising through marketing and printing.

Moved by Larry Duffield, seconded by Roxanne Tellier,

That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to an expenditure in the upset amount of \$6,000 from the 2025 Operating Budget for costs associated with the Community Engagement and Speaker Series Event to be held in March 2026 as follows:

- Rental space
- Light refreshments and snacks
- Swag, marketing and printing costs.

Carried.

4.2 Budget Discussion – 2025 Operating Budget

The Chair advises as there are additional Operating Budget funds available, suggests providing donations to two charitable organizations. The following charitable organizations are proposed – “Home Instead” and Elder College.

Moved by Cindy Matchett, seconded by Roxanne Tellier,

That **APPROVAL BE GIVEN** to an expenditure in the upset amount of \$4,352.79 (to be equally divided) from the 2025 Operating Budget for donations to the following organizations:

- Home Instead
- Elder College

5. Round Table Updates

Christina Ritorto reports that the Annual Tree Lighting ceremonies will be held on December 2, 2025, at Optimist Community Centre and at Gino Marcus Community Centre on December 4, 2025.

Kait Authier remarks that the Bright Lights Festival begins on November 28, 2025, and runs until January 7, 2025. She advises that the city is offering free mobility tours to anyone who may have a barrier to mobility of any sort and adds that preregistration is required. She further indicates that Jackson Park will be open on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 7:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. (preregistration is required) to allow for a walking club.

6. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on a date to be determined in January 2026.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 11:31 o'clock a.m.