



City of Hamilton
HAMILTON VETERANS COMMITTEE
AGENDA

Meeting #: 22-001
Date: February 22, 2022
Time: 4:00 p.m.
Location: Due to the COVID-19 and the Closure of City Hall
All electronic meetings can be viewed at:
City's YouTube Channel:
<https://www.youtube.com/user/InsideCityofHamilton>

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- 10.3. Wreath Project 2022
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- 10.5. Illegal parking beside cenotaph at Veterans Place
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Motion to approve transfer of 2021 budget surplus to Hamilton Veterans Committee Reserve Fund

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Hamilton

MINUTES Hamilton Veterans Committee

November 30th, 2021

4:00 p.m.

WebEx – Virtual Platform

Present: Chair: Michael Rehill
Vice Chair: Edward Sculthorpe
Members: Robert Fyfe, Terry Ryan, Rod Paddon, Dave Baldry,
David Steckham, Steve Waldron

**Absent with
Regrets:** Don Jackson

Also Present: Councillor Johnson, Councillor Ferguson, Christopher Redford
(Staff Liaison), Carolyn King (Supervisor, Hamilton Military
Museum)

1. **CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES**
 - 1.1 Moment of Silence
 - 1.2 Land Acknowledgement

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved: Ed Sculthorpe **Seconded:** Terry Ryan
That the agenda for November 30, 2021, be approved as presented.

CARRIED

3. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
None

4. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

(i) **October 26, 2021 (Item 3.1)**

Moved: Dave Baldry **Seconded:** Ed Sculthorpe

That the Minutes of the October 26th, 2021 meeting of The Hamilton Veterans Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

5. COMMUNICATIONS

(i) 2021 All-Committee Meeting Minutes (Item 5.1)

Moved: Rod Paddon **Seconded:** Ed Sculthorpe

That the minutes of the 2021 All-Committee meeting be accepted by this committee.

CARRIED

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(i) Budget of the Hamilton Veterans Committee (Item 10.1)

The Staff Liaison, Christopher Redford presented a detailed and itemized budget report.

Moved: Bob Fyfe **Seconded:** Terry Ryan

That the budget of the Hamilton Veterans Committee be approved.

CARRIED

(Paddon/Sculthorpe)

That the following items be received:

(ii) Remembrance Day Update (Item 10.2)

Overall consensus is that the Gore Park service ran smoothly, however the wreath laying portion could be streamlined. Terry Ryan shared an assessment with the committee to assist with this process and discussion will be deferred until the fall to ensure a timelier conversation, closer to Remembrance Day. The committee will aspire to communicate more effectively with community members who wish to lay wreaths and will create a plan for the placement of wreaths. Some feedback from the public revealed disappointment at being denied entrance due to the limited attendance. However this was a Covid precaution and may not be necessary in the future. It was noted that the flag was twisted around the pole – this will be inspected pre-ceremony next year and Christopher Redford will follow up with locating the armbands. Bob Fyfe suggests altering the presentation of *In Flanders Fields*.

Ancaster Service – Councillor Ferguson reported that it was a resounding success with 200 to 300 people in attendance. 25 wreaths were laid by

invitation only which worked smoothly for the wreath laying portion of the ceremony.

Glanbrook Service – Councillor Johnson explained there was a call out to the community to run this service as the cadets were unable to do it this year. There was an incredible response and the service was a success with about 100 people in attendance and included the involvement of the local Scouts and Guides.

(iii) Wreath Project 2022 (Item 10.3)

Two schools in Ohsweken provided wreath for the ceremony crafted with traditional materials. This project was a success and should be continued in 2022.

Project suggestion – The Hamilton Military Museum offered Remembrance Day Grab and Go kits to teachers who were unable to bring their students to the Museum due to Covid. Materials were provided for the class to create paper poppies and make a class wreath using a cardboard form. Christopher Redford suggests a collaboration for next year where this committee provides more robust wreath forms and then perhaps inviting some students/schools to the service to lay the wreath.

Ed Sculthorpe reminds the committee that a similar project was already in the works for 2021 but delayed due to Covid. This involved providing schools in the downtown core with materials to make a wreath and the committee paying for the class to come to the cenotaph with select students laying the school wreath. This would rotate between the downtown schools each year, allowing each school to participate. Ed will circulate the outline for the project and it can be organized for 2022.

CARRIED

7. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 13)

(Fyfe/Ryan)

That the following items be received:

(i) Upcoming Meetings (Item 13.1)

There will be no meeting of this committee until February 2022.

(ii) Hamilton Veterans Committee Email (Item 13.2)

Christopher Redford suggests the use of a designated City of Hamilton email address for this committee specifically for outward-facing information around Remembrance Day activities.

(iii) Glanford Cenotaph Update (Item 13.3)

Councillor **Johnson** revealed that the cenotaph, which had been in storage to allow for park improvements, has been replaced in a new location in the park. The new location allows for more respectful viewing and recommends everyone visit.

(iv) Inquiries – Cannons (Item 13.4)

Bob Fyfe inquires as to what happened to the cannons that were going to be refurbished. They may be in storage, perhaps the armouries would like to display them. Mike Rehill will inquire.

CARRIED

8. ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

Moved: Rod Paddon **Seconded:** Ed Sculthorpe

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

CARRIED

On Tue, 30 Nov 2021 at 11:58, Friends of St. Giles <stgilesfriends@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Councillors and members of the Hamilton Veterans Committee,

As a resident of Holton Ave. South, and former lifelong member of the church, I bear witness daily, to the demise of the St. Giles United Church property. This includes the very visible memorial Cairn on the lawn, at the corner of Main and Holton streets. This cherished WW1 monument to nine congregants, including the architect of the edifice, has stood respected for 99 years. Unfortunately, it has been desecrated and vandalized continuously, since the memorial plaque bearing the names of the war dead, was removed by owners New Vision UC in 2018. Their apparent decision to ruin the property through demolition by neglect continues year in and year out.

This Remembrance Day, the wreath we placed by the War Memorial cairn was stolen shortly after nightfall. Our attempts to engage the property owner and ward councillor have been met with no response. You can find more information and photos through the links attached.

<https://bayobserver.ca/2021/11/12/remembrance-day-wreath-stolen-at-historic-st-giles-cairn/>

<https://friendsofstgiles.ca/st-giles-a-world-war-1-church/>

Your committee advocates for Veterans. Is there anything you can do to protect this monument for posterity?

Sincerely,

Janet Long on behalf of the Friends of St. Giles
Ward 3, Hamilton
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FriendsofStGiles.ca







NOTE:

**2021 ADVISORY COMMITTEES
YEAR-END SUMMARY**
Based on YTD December 2021 actuals as at 31 January 2022

ADVISORY COMMITTEE	Dept ID			2021 APPROVED BUDGET	2021 EXPENSES to Dec21	INVESTMENT INCOME DEC 2021	RESERVE BALANCE DEC 2021	10% OF BUDGET MINIMUM TRANSFER AMT	Max to transfer	UNDER/(OVER) RESERVE LIMIT DEC 2021	2021 YEAR END TRANSFERS TO/FROM	NOTES	Approval to transfer/date
				A	B	F	G = E+F+B+I	(A x 2) - 10% of A	H = (A x 2) - G	I			
			Net	0.00	0.00	0.00	20,865.91	0.00	0.00	(20,865.91)	0.00	NOT ACTIVE	
Hamilton Veterans Committee	VCHMVC	300324	Expense	43,000.00	11,751.59								
			Reserves	-	0.00								
			Net	43,000.00	11,751.59	0.00	43,787.79	4,300.00	86,000.00	42,212.21	31,248.41	Amount is available for transfer to reserve	

max to reach their limit