

MINUTES

Thursday, January 19, 2012
12:00 p.m.
Room 222, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Dan Rodrigues (Chair)
Ron Speranzini (Vice Chair)
Clr. Chad Collins
John Hawker
Robin McKee
Brad Rich
Mac Sparrow
Clr. Tom Jackson
Phil Homerski (Staff Liaison)

Regrets: George Zolis

Guests: Hamilton Police Service – Sgt. Barry Mungar
Municipal Law Enforcement – Kelly Barnett

Observers: R. Rodrigues
K. Werner

1. Approval of Agenda

P. Homerski reported that K. Boyer was unable to attend today's meeting and has requested to present at the February meeting.

That Item 4.1 be held over to the February meeting and that the remainder of the meeting agenda be accepted as written.

SPERANZINI/RICH

CARRIED

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of Previous Meeting

3.1 Business Arising

K. Barnett requested that Paragraph 2 of Item 6.1 be replaced with the following wording:

"The City Graffiti Working Group is also investigating other graffiti management initiatives throughout the city and hope to do a pilot project in an east mountain (Ward

6) neighbourhood where there are habitual incidents of graffiti vandalism on private property. Kelly has also approached Hamilton Police Services for additional support in dealing with this matter."

3.2 Approval of Minutes

That the minutes of the December 14, 2011 meeting of the Clean City Liaison Committee be accepted with the proposed amendment to Item 6.1.

SPARROW/HAWKER

CARRIED

4. Presentations

4.1 Strategies to Achieve Results Through Urban Partnerships (Start-Up)

Presentation rescheduled for the February 16, 2012 meeting.

5. Subcommittee Reports

5.1 Business & Retail Waste Diversion

D. Rodrigues reported that planning is underway for an April or May Clean & Green Business Workshop. Venue availability and costs are being explored. The proposed focus of the Workshop is engaging businesses in solutions to illegal dumping and graffiti through a clean & green certification initiative. This initiative would recognize businesses that have shown leadership in the community in waste diversion and beautification.

5.2 Council Committee Reports

J. Hawker reported that the Waste Collection Procurement Process for 2013-2020 (PW11030d) and the Solid Waste Management Master Plan Review – Draft Final Report (PW12004) were discussed at the January 16, 2012 Public Works Committee meeting. He indicated that some Councillors had voiced concerns over illegal dumping and garbage bag limits. The staff report recommendations included garbage collection of up to six bags every two weeks, weekly Blue Box collection, weekly Green Cart collection and year-round leaf and yard waste collection and call-in bulk collection.

Councillor Jackson indicated that the Public Works

Committee referred the report to its February 6, 2012 meeting to allow staff to report back on questions and clarifications and to get as much public feedback as possible. Councillor Jackson also asked that CCLC be consulted.

Discussion ensued on the proposed bag limits, relationship between illegal dumping and current bag limits, illegal dumping complaint data and cleanup costs and issues that may arise from the proposed bi-weekly garbage collection.

CCLC members supported the development of a position statement and/or delegation at the February 6, 2012 Public Works Committee meeting led by Chair Dan Rodrigues. D. Rodrigues suggested that, in the interests of time, that the discussion on the development of a position statement be undertaken via e-mail and relevant documentation be shared with members via e-mail.

P. Homerski recommended that the position paper address aspects that are within the mandate of the CCLC (illegal dumping and litter). The Chair suggested a special CCLC meeting take place on February 2, 2012 to finalize and endorse the position statement. Councillors Collins and Jackson will recuse themselves on the development of the position statement.

6. Keep Hamilton Beautiful (KAB)

6.1 UPS Community Improvement Grants

P. Homerski reported that Keep Hamilton Beautiful had received notification that applications for UPS/KAB Community Improvement Grants were now being accepted. There are 51 grants of \$1,000 each, 10 grants of \$5,000 each and five grants of \$10,000 each. Projects should fall within the KAB focus areas of litter prevention, waste reduction/recycling, and beautification/community greening. P. Homerski indicated that he had shared this information with C. Wagner, Community Garden Program Coordinator and P. Wobschall of Green Venture inviting them to consider submitting eligible projects through CCLC/Keep Hamilton Beautiful. D. Rodrigues suggested that a submission to offset costs for the Clean & Green

Business Workshop be considered.

7. Staff and Stakeholder Reports

7.1 City Departments

Operations & Waste Management

P. Homerski reported that the Clean City Strategy review has begun with an Internet scan of municipalities with similar strategies. Staff will then draft a high level document to be presented to a task force for consultation.

Individual work plans and a tracking process are being developed for Clean City Strategy 2012 Work Plan projects and initiatives to be undertaken in the first quarter of 2012. This is in preparation for the semi-annual report to Public Works Committee which is currently scheduled for its June 18, 2012 meeting.

Progress is being made on the Clean & Safe Crown Point Railway Neighbourhood Project. Staff will be meeting with CN Public Works officials next week to explore pedestrian crossing options to increase safety and security in the area and manage trespassing on railway property and adjacent business properties. A meeting with CN Police and MLE is also planned to implement electronic surveillance and a neighbourhood watch program. Initial investigation has also begun on the feasibility of closing abutting parallel alleyways on the south side of the tracks. Staff is also preparing to initiate a second Clean & Safe Railway Neighbourhood program in the Landsdale neighbourhood.

Planning is underway for the Tim Hortons Team Up to Clean Up spring 2012 event in April. Sponsorship plans, logistics and City resources and supports are being finalized. M. Sparrow suggested that A. Moroz be invited to the next CCLC meeting to summarize the sponsorship program for 2012.

Municipal Law Enforcement

K. Barnett indicated that she will be reporting on the work of the City Graffiti Working Group at the next meeting.

Hamilton Police Service

No report.

7.2 Waste Reduction Task Force (WRTF)

R. Speranzini reported that at the last WRTF meeting it was suggested that the work of the task force was considered complete and that the WRTF had been suspended. Ron was thanked for his contribution on the WRTF as a representative of CCLC.

7.3 Other Public

There were no public delegation requests.

8. New Business

J. Hawker asked the status of including youth representatives and education representatives on the CCLC. P. Homerski indicated that these positions were added as voting members in the revised Terms of Reference and, pending Council's endorsement, an appointment process will take place.

In response to J. Hawker's question related to clean up of graffiti on bridges, K. Barnett indicated that MLE was following up on complaints and issuing orders as required.

9. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

Next Meeting:

The next monthly meeting of the Clean City Liaison Committee will take place Thursday, February 16, 2012 at 12:00 pm, Room 222, Hamilton City Hall.

A special meeting of the CCLC members will take place Thursday, February 2, 2012 at 1:00 pm at the Mountain Community Recycling Centre, 37 Kilbride Road, Hamilton.