



EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES 14-007

1:30 p.m.

Monday, December 15, 2014

Council Chambers

Hamilton City Hall

71 Main Street West

Present: Councillor T. Whitehead, Chair
Councillor M. Green, Vice-Chair
Councillors A. Johnson, J. Farr, S. Merulla, T. Jackson, S. Duvall,
J. Partridge

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED FOR THE CONSIDERATION OF COUNCIL:

1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chairs

(Merulla/Partridge)

- (a) That Councillor Whitehead be appointed Chair of the Emergency and Community Services Committee for 2015;
- (b) That Councillor Green be appointed Vice Chair of the Emergency and Community Services Committee for 2015.

CARRIED

2. Tenant Advisory Committee 2015 Budget Submission (CES14056) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)

(A. Johnson/Partridge)

That the Tenant Advisory Committee's 2015 base budget submission attached as Appendix "A" to Report 14-007 in the amount of \$1,000 be approved and referred to the 2015 budget process for consideration.

CARRIED

3. Food and Shelter Advisory Committee 2015 Budget Submission (CES14057) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)

(A. Johnson/Partridge)

That the Food and Shelter Advisory Committee 2015 base budget submission attached as Appendix "B" to Report 14-007 in the amount of \$100, be approved and referred to the 2015 budget process for consideration.

CARRIED

4. Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee 2015 Budget Submission (CES14060) (City Wide) (Item 5.6)

(A. Johnson/Partridge)

(a) That the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee (HYAC) 2015 base budget submission attached as Appendix "C" to Report 14-007, in the amount of \$3,890, be approved and referred to the 2015 budget process for consideration; and,

(b) That, in addition to the base funding, a one-time budget allocation for 2015 of \$2,500 funded by the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee Reserve, be approved and referred to the 2015 budget process for consideration..

CARRIED

5. Hamilton Veterans Committee - 2015 Budget Submission (CES14193) (City Wide) (Item 5.7)

(A. Johnson/Partridge)

(a) That the Hamilton Veterans Committee 2015 base budget submission in the amount of \$25,000, attached as Appendix "D" to Report 14-007, be approved and forwarded to the General Issues Committee (GIC) for consideration as part of the 2015 Budget process; and,

(b) That in addition to the base funding, that a budget allocation of \$2,000, funded by an increase to the tax levy, be approved and forwarded to the General Issues Committee (GIC) as part of the 2015 Budget process for consideration.

CARRIED

**6. Capital Projects' Status Report as of September 30, 2014 (CES14038a)
(City Wide) (Item 5.8)**

(Green/Merulla)

That Report CES14038(a)) respecting the Capital Projects' Status Report as of September 30, 2014 be received.

CARRIED

7. Social Navigator Pilot Program (CES14062) (Ward 2) (Item 8.1)

(Merulla/Farr)

(a) That the Hamilton Paramedic Service Social Navigator Program be continued until June 30th, 2017;

(b) That the costs of continuing the Social Navigator Program in the amount of \$45,000 per year be funded through the Neighbourhood Action Strategy Fund; and,

(c) That further evaluation of the Social Navigator Program include the impact on patients that Hamilton Paramedic Service identify as high users with mental health and addictions issues and also include benchmarks that meet the needs of the Hamilton Paramedic Service.

CARRIED

8. Pat DuFour Memorial Hockey Tournament – Ice Rental Fees (Item 9.1)

(Partridge/Jackson)

That the Affiliated ice rental rate of \$132.99 per hour be charged for ice rentals associated with the Pat DuFour Memorial Hockey tournament in 2015 and for as long as the tournament continues to be held in municipally operated arenas in Flamborough.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk noted a typographical correction to the agenda. Item 5.3 (b) – Minutes of the September 9, 2014 meeting of the Hamilton Veterans Committee appeared in the agenda package but not on the agenda face page. Item 5.3(b) is therefore required to be added to the agenda.

Added as Item 11.1 is a verbal update from Jack Brown, Acting General Manager, Community and Emergency Services, respecting the Ontario Works Social Assistance Management System (SAMS).

(Partridge/Farr)

That the agenda be approved, as amended.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were no declarations of interest.

(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

(i) September 22, 2014

(Merulla/Duvall)

That the Minutes of the September 22, 2014 meeting be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(Green/Farr)

That the delegation request from Peter Llewellyn respecting the Uneven application of CityHousing Hamilton's Policies, be approved for a future meeting.

CARRIED

(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Minutes of the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee (Item 5.1)

(Jackson/Duvall)

That the following minutes of the Hamilton Youth Advisory Committee, be received.

- (a) May 20, 2014
- (b) June 17, 2014
- (c) July 15, 2014
- (d) August 15, 2014
- (e) September 16, 2014
- (f) October 21, 2014
- (g) November 18, 2014

CARRIED

(ii) Minutes of the Seniors Advisory Committee (Item 5.2)

(Jackson/Duvall)

That the following minutes of the Seniors Advisory Committee, be received.

- (a) May 2, 2014
- (b) June 6, 2014

CARRIED

(iii) Minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee (Item 5.3)

(Jackson/Duvall)

That the following minutes of the Hamilton Veterans Committee, be received.

- (a) August 12, 2014
- (b) September 9, 2014

CARRIED

(f) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Presentation from Mr. Robert Fyfe, Chair, Hamilton Veterans Committee respecting the Annual Volunteer Committee Presentation (Item 7.1)

Mr. Robert Fyfe, Chair, Hamilton Veterans Committee made a presentation to the Emergency and Community Services Committee respecting the Hamilton Veterans Affairs Committee with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been retrained for the official record and uploaded to the City website.

Mr. Fyfe's presentation included, but was not limited to, the following:

- Committee Membership
- In Memoriam to Councillor Morelli
- Mandate
- Remembrance Day and Memorial Services
- Previous and Ongoing Projects
- Future Goals

(Farr/Merulla)

That the presentation from Mr. Robert Fyfe, Chair, Hamilton Veterans Committee respecting the Annual Volunteer Committee Presentation, be received.

CARRIED

(g) MOTIONS (Item 9)

(i) Pat DuFour Memorial Hockey Tournament – Ice Rental Fees (Item 9.1)

(Partridge/Jackson)

Whereas, the Pat DuFour Memorial Hockey tournament was founded in 2009 by the DuFour family and now consists of over 40 volunteers from the Flamborough community and has over 30 sponsors each year; and,

Whereas, the hockey tournament was founded for the specific purpose of raising funds to assist identified children to offset the costs of playing hockey and to benefit other local charities; and

Whereas, the hockey tournament has raised over \$50,000 for local charities since its inception; and,

Whereas, the organizers of the hockey tournament are committed to growing the hockey tournament to the greater benefit of the Flamborough community in future years;

THEREFORE be it resolved:

That the Affiliated ice rental rate of \$132.99 per hour be charged for ice rentals associated with the Pat DuFour Memorial Hockey tournament in 2015 and for as long as the tournament continues to be held in municipally operated arenas in Flamborough.

CARRIED

For disposition on this matter refer to Item 8.

(h) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

(i) Verbal Update from Jack Brown, Acting General Manager, Community and Emergency Services, respecting the Ontario Works Social Assistance Management System (SAMS) (Added Item 11.1)

Mr. Jack Brown, Acting General Manager, Community and Emergency Services, provided the Committee with an update respecting the Ontario Works Social Assistance Management System (SAMS).

Mr. Brown reported that the new SAMS system was implemented by the province on November 11, 2014 and has resulted in many problems with Ontario Works recipients not receiving their monthly benefits on time. Mr. Brown said that problems continue to be experienced with SAMS and

staff are working very hard to resolve them. A comprehensive plan to address concerns has been implemented. An Information Report will be brought to Council before Christmas to provide further details about this issue.

(Partridge/Merulla)

That the Verbal Update from Jack Brown, Acting General Manager, Community and Emergency Services, respecting the Ontario Works Social Assistance Management System (SAMS), be received.

CARRIED

(i) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Merulla/Green)

That there being no further business, that the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting be adjourned at 2:07 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

T. Whitehead, Chair
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Lauri Leduc
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk