

MINUTES

Hamilton Veterans Committee Tuesday, February 10 2015 10:00 a.m. City Hall – Room 192, 1st floor

Present:	Chair: Bob Fyfe Members: Art Tompkins, Bill Eisan
Absent with Regrets:	Gerry Rattray, Harry McEwen, Councillor Pasuta Fern Viola, Councillor Merulla
Also Present:	Geordie Elms Neil Bell Rebecca Oliphant, Staff Liaison, Tourism and Culture Division

CHAIR'S REMARKS: Remembrance of Fallen Comrades

1. CHANGES TO AGENDA

- 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST
- APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Tompkins/ Fyfe)
 3.1 Hamilton Veterans Committee Meeting Minutes, dated 13 January 2015.

CARRIED

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 4.1 HVC Events Information / Procedure Manual Update: staff will provide the updated manual in April 2015.
- **4.2 Parking for Veterans in Hamilton** Staff report will go to Council in 2015.
- **4.3 Veterans Place at Gore Park Update:** Geordie - Waiting for landscaping to be complete, then will determine suitable date for opening. Geordie and Anna to meet re: budget brief, there is provision for Minister's office to pay

4.4 Mini decoration days

Update: William J. Cumming, Chair, Ontario Provincial Committee, Air Cadet League of Canada will attend after community consultation. General discussion on how to move forward. Neil feels Sea Cadets would also like to be invited to participate. Would like to see a parade with all of the cadets.

4.5 Honorary Chairperson – Bill McCulloch

Update: Staff will make arrangements for Bill to attend a Council meeting.

4.6 Invitation to Minister of Veterans Affairs

Update: Geordie: Minister will accept as soon as we give him the date, excited because it will be older veterans, newer veterans, serving military

4.7 Adding Afghanistan to existing monuments

Therese Charbonneau, Senior Conservator will attend the March 10, 2015 meeting to provide more information about adding Afghanistan to existing monuments.

4.8 70th Anniversary of VE Day – Friday, May 8, 2015 Hoping to put together with Re-dedication of Cenotaph Stoney Creek is holding anniversary on May 4

5. STANDING ITEMS (includes all HVC hosted events)

- 5.1 Decoration Day Woodland Cemetery Sunday, June 14, 2015
 - Staff to attend in April 2015

5.2 Dieppe Memorial – Wednesday, August 19, 2015

- Staff to attend in late Spring 2015
- Ask RHLI to attend

5.3 East Hamilton Decoration Day – Sunday, August 23, 2015

• Staff to attend in late Spring 2015

5.4 Remembrance Day

Garrison Parade – Sunday, November 8, 2015 City Service – Wednesday, November 11, 2015

• Staff to attend in April 2015.

5.5 BUDGET Review

- Event Expense Review nothing at this time.
- 2015 Budget Submission has been forwarded to GIC-Budgets.

5.6 WWI Anniversary Commemorations

This will remain on the Agenda in anticipation of future anniversary commemorations.

100th anniversary of Vimy will in all likelihood be marked

5.7 Upcoming Events

Event in Burlington – Liberation of Holland???

6. NEW BUSINESS

6.1 Change of meeting day discussion

Councillor Pasuta is unable to attend the monthly meetings of the HVC as they conflict with Planning Committee.

Possibly change to Thursday morning.

Staff to confirm with Councillor's office as to why he cannot attend the 2nd Tuesday.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m. Next Meeting: March 10, 2015 - 10:00 a.m. to Noon - Room 192, 1st floor, City Hall