

Keep Hamilton Clean & Green Committee

MINUTES

May 17, 2016 5:00 p.m. Room 264, Hamilton City Hall 71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Larry Husack Bruce Thomson

Rick Lipsitt Ron Speranzini
Shane Ormerod Kevin Morton
Alan Mills Mallory Pace

Lennox Toppin Lugene Donelson (Staff Liaison)

Clr. Collins

Regrets: Clr. Jackson Clr. Pearson

Dave Bazowsky Alex Moroz (Environmental Staff

Marisa DiCenso Representative)

1. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

L. Donelson oversaw nominations and election of Chair and Vice Chair.

1.1 Appointment of Chair

L. Husack was nominated for Chair and agreed to serve. There were no other nominations.

SPERANZINI/THOMSON

1.2 Appointment of Vice Chair

R. Speranzini was nominated for Vice Chair and agreed to serve. There were no other nominations.

HUSACK/ORMEROD

2. Appointment of Secretary

L. Donelson oversaw nominations and selection of Secretary. She explained that this role was previously performed by staff, however Clerks Department has advised that role could be filled by Committee Member. Duties of Secretary were explained as this was a new role. S. Ormerod expressed an interest in assuming the role and agreed to serve. There were no other nominations

HUSACK/SPERANZINI

3. Approval of Agenda

That the agenda be adopted as amended with the following addition: 6.2 Environmental Stewardship Grant Applications – The Escarpment Project - Greg Lenko

THOMSON/TOPPIN

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4. Declarations of Interest

None

5. Consent Items

5.1 Team Up to Clean Up - Spring Blitz Update

L. Donelson provided an update of the Spring Blitz. Participation in 2016 from the community, school boards and councilors was higher than 2015. There were a total of 24,337 registrants. Without Tim Hortons as main sponsor and main launch event, social media and City resources were used for promotion. Feedback and data returns from participants, post-cleanups continues to be low. Anecdotal information indicates that amount of litter present seems to be decreasing over time. B. Thomson inquired as to how School Boards are being recognized. A Certificate of Appreciation will be presented to each School Board.

5.2 Trillium Awards Judge- Open Application, Workshop June 9th

L. Donelson reported that Trillium Awards Program will be accepting applications for Judges up until June 8, with Workshop on June 9th. Judges must be available June and July to visit properties. Applications are available on City of Hamilton website

5.3 Community Clean Trailer Update

L. Husack reported that new trailer funded by committee and shelving/supplies are in. The wrapping of the trailer is pending, with design available for review at June meeting. R. Speranzini suggested that when completed, action be taken to use trailer to help promote Committee and recognize this resource given to the community.

5.4 Committee Work Planning – Full Day

L. Donelson described the purpose of Committee Work Planning workshop to identify focus areas and action items that members may pursue according to their interests. L. Husack proposed that current plans continue as per existing budget. Members agreed that this would be a good opportunity for review as well as orientation for new members. L. Donelson to circulate existing work plan to members and arrange a date for workshop

6. Discussion Items

L. Donelson explained the two types of Grants provided by the Committee. A Clean and Green Neighbourhood Grant with a maximum value of \$500 and an Environmental Stewardship Grant with a \$1000 maximum. No Grants have been awarded in this budget cycle, which has \$5000 and \$2000 budgeted respectively. Some applications have been outstanding for some time, awaiting new committee membership.

6.1 Clean and Green Neighbourhood Grant Applications

L. Husack expressed concern that four of the five applications submitted were essentially representative of one group -L. Donelson explained the history of Beautiful Alleys. Beautiful Alleys and that the groups applying were separate neighbourhood groups. 2015 participating In neighbourhood groups applied under the Beautiful Alleys umbrella and each received \$500 grants. A. Mills expressed concern about the documentation submitted. Clr. Collins suggested that \$500 was generous and indicated the need for tracking/measurement. Consensus was to defer awarding of grants and gather additional information from each group.

- Gibson and Landsdale Area (GALA), Brenda Duke
- Sherman Hub, Terry Mote
- Crown Point, Erin Shacklette
- Durand Neighbourhood, Ann Andree-Wiebe
- Concession Street Alleyways, Salma Burney

6.2 Environmental Stewardship Grant Applications

• Stewards of Cootes Watershed, Alan Hansel- Application reviewed and the following motion brought forward:

That a one thousand dollar (\$1,000.00) Environmental Stewardship Grant Application be approved for Alan Hansell of the Stewards of Cootes Watershed

CARRIED

MILLS/TOPPIN

• The Escarpment Project, Greg Lenko- Application reviewed and the following motion brought forward:

That a six hundred and twenty six dollar and forty cent (\$626.40) Environmental Stewardship Grant Application be approved for Greg Lenko of the

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Escarpment Project. MILLS/TOPPIN

CARRIED

7. Other Business

Clr. Collins updated Committee on plans to address graffiti via acid etching on HSR transit shelters. A few shelters will be treated on a trial basis to determine if the treatment will act as a deterrent. B. Thomson raised the point of cigarette litter at transit shelters, as a future area of attention Clr. Collins advised that a motion was endorsed requesting operators of the rail lines have all their properties cleaned of litter and construction debris.

8. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:15pm