Present: Marilyn Wright, Allan Loft, Deborah Elmes, Patty Lawlor, Scott Cruickshank, Khitanya Petgrave
Absent: Sheryl Green, Connie Bellamy
Also Present: Betsy Pocop – Human Rights, Diversity & Inclusion (staff)
Cameron Kroetsch – Ward 2 Candidate
Nicole Smith – Ward 2 Candidate

Chairperson: Marilyn Wright

Opening
- P. Lawlor did an opening

Welcome and Introductions
- All were welcomed and introduced

1. Changes to the Agenda
- Addition of Item 5.5 – Use of Indigenous Medicine Policy Presentation
- Addition of 6.1 – Lamination Project

D. Elmes/ P. Lawlor
That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee accepts the September 2018 agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

2. Declaration of Interest
- There were no declarations of interest

3. Approval of Previous Minutes
- The Committee discussed the LRT project presentation
- Consideration for offer of the LRT project tour – the Committee would be interested in accepting this offer at a later date and extend the invitation to the Chief of New Credit
- P. Lawlor provided update that regarding item 5.5 she did not meet with N. Jones and sought clarification on the request from the item
• Item – Cabinet Display – B. Pocop to check for an inventory list of what belongs to the Committee and M. Wright to communicate with Y. Maracle regarding her belongings in the Committee’s display cabinet
• Discussions about the display cabinet can continue outside of the Committee meetings

S. Cruickshank/A. Loft
That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee accepts the minutes of June 7, 2018, as presented.

CARRIED

4. Presentations
• M. Wright opened the floor to the Ward 2 candidates to introduce themselves
• The Committee and the candidates discussed the structure of the volunteer advisory committees and meetings
• The Committee will work towards setting their priorities right away when the incoming committee is formed at the next council term

5. Discussion Items
5.1 Urban Indigenous Strategy Update
• Item deferred

5.2 Truth and Reconciliation Calls to Action
• Item deferred

5.3 2019 Budget
• B. Pocop advised the Committee of upcoming budget request
• Committee considered 2019 budget items
• Committee would like to have the community more involved and have HEDAC more involved in the upcoming term
• Committee to work on a plan for the incoming committee
• K. Petgrave and P. Lawlor will work together on a report from the Committee’s recent work and longer standing members to contribute information for the Committee’s work prior to P. Lawlor and K. Petgrave joining

5.4 Water Walk
• Plan for spring 2019
• This would be a great initiative for the Committee, City of Hamilton and to raise awareness of the environment
• Extend an invitation to Six Nations community members
- M. Wright to send the Committee the email she received about the water walk
- The Committee agrees to extend an invitation to community clinic staff to speak about the water walk at a future Committee meeting

5.5 Use of Indigenous Medicines Policy
- Urban Indigenous Strategy – S. Elmayan and N. Jones would like to share with the Committee the training for the Use of Indigenous Medicines Policy at the October 2018 meeting
- The Committee has agreed to view and provide feedback at the October 4, 2018 meeting

6. Other Business
6.1 UNDRIP Lamination Project
- B. Pocop provided update

D. Elmes/K. Petgrave
That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee support the lamination of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples for display with a cost of up to $120.00

CARRIED

Next Meeting
- Next meeting scheduled for October 4, 2018

Closing
- A. Loft did a closing

7. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.