

Beach Canal Lighthouse Proposal

Beach Canal Lighthouse Group (BCLG)





Our Lighthouse

- 160 years old
- Historic significance in the development and economy of Hamilton's industries including shipping
- Icon of the beach strip

Status

- Federally owned lighthouses across the country (costal and inland) are being transferred to municipal and/or non profit groups
- Most need extensive repairs to stop “demolition by neglect” and updates to provide public access to show the historical significance
- Feds will transfer assets to groups that show sustainable plans with capacity to execute

BCLG Long Term vision

- Lighthouse will become another link of attractions along the Burlington to Hamilton beach strip
 - Beach Trail
 - Brant Museum
 - Lighthouse/Keeper's house
 - Fisherman's Pier
 - Lakeland pool
 - Confederation park
 - Steam Museum
- Lighthouse/Keeper's house planned phases:
 1. Restoration of lighthouse and Keeper's house
 2. Interpretive Centre
 3. Marine Museum

Players

- Federal Oceans and Fisheries
 - Current Owners of lighthouse and keeper's house
- Public Works Canada
 - Current Owners of the land
- Hamilton Port Authority
- City of Hamilton Heritage department
- Councillor Chad Collins
- Beach Canal Lighthouse Group (BCLG)
 - Non-profit, charitable organization
 - Run by volunteers
 - Would be custodians and operator of the assets

Actions Plans

- BCLG
 - Have become a Non-Profit organization
 - In process of becoming charitable organization
- Hamilton Port Authority (HPA) partnership
 - Have agreed to partner with BCLG
 - Ties in with their long term plans of existing neighbouring assets
 - Agreed to have properties and buildings transferred to their organization
 - Agreed to back-stop and maintain structures to their current condition
 - Meeting with Public Works and Oceans Fisheries to transfer assets
- Councillor Collins
 - Seed funding for preliminary engineering assessment and scope of work
- Hamilton Future Fund
 - Conduct initial restoration of buildings
- Fundraising
 - Leverage Hamilton Future Funds to obtain further funds from:
 - Canada Public works
 - Private and Industry donations

Thank You

