HMHC Education and Communication Working Group

Meeting Notes

Wednesday September 4th, 2019 (6:00pm) Hamilton City Hall, Room 222

Present: Alissa Dehnam-Robinson (Chair), Janice Brown, Kathy Stacey, Robin McKee, Graham Carroll

Regrets: Tim Ritchie, Chuck Dimitry

Also present: N/a

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. Education and Promotional use for Existing HMHC Doors of Hamilton Posters (size: small)

As there is a large quantity of existing posters (size: small, condition: very good to excellent), that remain unsold since pre-amalgamation; it is recommended that these posters be used, at the discretion of HMCH, as complimentary ("give-away") promotional items for outreach and eduation.

1. Previous Meeting Notes

Approved by general consensus, the notes prepared by Chair A.Denham-Robinson.

2. Publications & Print Projects:

- 1. Word Search Puzzles (Project On-going)
 - a. The Working Group reviewed and discussed Word Search Puzzles prepared by C.Dimitry.
 - i. Puzzle: Waterdown-Flamborough forwarded to local representatives from the area for in-put.
 - ii. Puzzle: Mayors of Hamilton forwarded to the Mayor's office for input.
 - iii. R.McKee suggested that relevant puzzles be distributed in various locations. For example: The Mayors of Hamilton puzzle could be available during Tours of Hamilton Cemetery.
 - iv. Puzzle format to be reviewed for header, footer, logo and credits. There may also be an opportunity to provide some supplemental research / trivia, on the reverse side of the puzzle.

- 2. Existing Poster Program
 - a. A.Denham-Robinson provided an overview of the existing poster program, including inventory data (c.2015).
 - b. Poster Doors of Hamilton (small) There is approximately 3,200 posters (4 boxes of 800 each) available, in very good to excellent condition. It was suggested that these posters be used as "give-away" promotional items. Reverse of poster to be labelled with the HMHC logo and "complements of the Hamilton Municipal Heritage Committee"
 - c. J.Brown suggested the upcoming Durand AGM could be an opportunity to advertise HMHC posters available for sale. A.Denham-Robinson to provide a package of promotional materials including poster order forms.
 - d. The working group to review poster prices, inventories and sales spreadsheet for update with staff, including post cards.
 - e. A.Denham-Robinson to follow-up with staff regarding the sales contract with Hamilton Tourism (20% consignment)

3. Public Outreach and Events:

- Flamborough Archives & Heritage Society Book Fair Saturday October 19, 2019 at St. James United Church, 306 Parkside Drive, Waterdown (9:30am – 2:30pm) Table set up at 8:15am.
 - a. A.Denham-Robinson to coordinate the application submittal.
 - b. The Working Group reviewed the display table layout from passed events:
 - i. A.Denham-Robinson to coordinate with staff to order permanent pull-up poster banners and request printed copies of the Window and Masonry Guidelines.
- 2. <u>HMHC Heritage Recognition Awards Celebration 2019-20</u> Review of Draft Project Plan (J.Brown)
 - J.Brown provided an overview of a Revised Draft Project Plan prepared for the HMHC Heritage Awards Celebration. Working Group to review and continue to provide in-put. Document to be completed by November 2019.
 - b. Comments and updates included the following:
 - i. Re: Item #1 typo correction (*event*)
 - ii. Re: Item #5 Location criteria to include parking, kitchenette, accessibility and cost
 - iii. Re: Item #5 Location options discussed include:

- Stoney Creek Municipal Building (w. Archives)
- Former Stoney Creek Council Chambers
- Battlefield House (Nash Jackson House)
- Ancaster Town Hall
- Sackville Community Centre
- Re: Item 26 Influencers: Add Hamilton Wentworth Heritage Association.
 R.McKee suggested that Lee Gowers could send communications out to all members and those listed in the "Who's Who in Heritage".
- Re: Item 28 Add Hamilton Spectator (Paul Wilson, Matthew Van Dongen), CBC Hamilton (Samantha Craggs), Hamilton Community News (Kevin Werner), The Bay Observer (John Best), Urbanicity, North End Breezes, Beasley Community Paper, etc.
- vi. Re: Item #43 Add "Award" to Venue Logistics
- c. Working group members inquired if a dedicated email address for communications could be possible. Staff to provide comment.
- 3. <u>Heritage Workshop</u> Review of Draft Project Proposal (J.Brown)
 - a. Topic: Heritage Conservation presented by Alan Stacey.
 - b. Proposed Date: Heritage Week 2020. Wednesday February 19, 2020
 - c. Time: To be determined (evening).
 - d. Venues: To be determined.
 - i. (J.Brown) Proposed Site: Cotton Factory. The yoga studio has offered their space for \$35/hr. x 3 hrs. The space accommodates 100 people.
 - ii. (K.Stacey) Proposed Site: Westinghouse HQ. The owners has offered the space free of charge. The space would accommodate 100+ people.
 - e. Food & Refreshments: To be determined. J.Brown volunteered to locate sponsors.
 - f. Staff to provide in-put into sponsorship, budgets, advertising, invitation and RSVP's.
 - g. Further discussion to work through the details of a potential event to take place at our October Working Group Meeting. Recommendation to be prepared to move forward to the October/November HMHC meeting.

4. Administration:

N/a

5. New Business:

N/a

6. Next Meeting: Wednesday October 2nd, 2019 (6pm – 8pm) Hamilton City Hall Rm. 222 HMHC Education and Communication Working Group MEETING NOTES – September 4, 2019