



Hamilton

MINUTES

Aboriginal Advisory Committee Thursday, November 7, 2019 – 5:30 P.M. City Hall, 71 Main St. W., Room 264

Present: Scott Cruickshank, Marilyn Wright, Connie Bellamy, Laura Workman, Cat Cayuga, Patty Lawlor (non-voting)

Regrets: Allan Loft, Deborah Elmes

Also Present: Betsy Pocop – Human Rights, Diversity & Inclusion (staff)
Jay Adams – HSR, (Re)Envision the HSR Campaign
Nicole Smith – Extinction Rebellion
Two McMaster University students

Opening

- L. Workman did an opening

Welcome and Introductions

- All were welcomed

1. Changes to the Agenda

- Order of items changed – presentations to occur prior to approval of previous minutes and committee business

Motion #1

L. Workman/ S. Cruickshank

That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee accepts the November 7, 2019 agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

2. Declaration of Interest

- There were no declarations of interest

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

3.1 October 3, 2019

- Indicate P. Lawlor as ally, non-voting member
- Amendment to discussion regarding October 3rd presentation – Hamilton Collaborative Partnership

Motion #2

C. Bellamy/L. Workman

That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee accepts the minutes of October 3, 2019, as amended.

CARRIED

4. Presentations

4.1 (Re)Envision the HSR Campaign

- J. Adams presented
- The project has been underway since winter 2019
- Now looking at potential changes to routes, etc
- Want to understand the transit experience felt in various communities
- Suggestion made for extension of services to more rural locations
- Suggestion made for a conversation with larger Indigenous communities, including service providers and Six Nations representatives, potentially have the Committee facilitate the discussion

4.2 Extinction Rebellion

- N. Smith presented
- Shared an overview of the Extinction Rebellion group's principles and values
- It is a direct action organization that challenges government in a bold way
- Looking to make connections with wider Indigenous communities
- Open to further discussion with the Committee

5. Discussion Items

5.1 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

- M. Wright has extended invitation to Aboriginal youth to attend a future committee meeting for them to see how the Committee operates
- P. Lawlor in touch with HPL; Shelly Hill and P. Lawlor to meet with HPL representatives
- Thank you letters for book display partners have been sent to B. Pocop and M. Wright for review
- Potentially update the display cabinet with new items– further discussion to occur

5.2 2020 Budget

- Request for \$3550.00 for 2020

Motion #3

C. Cayuga/L. Workman

That the 2020 Aboriginal Advisory Committee budget request be approved.

CARRIED

5.3 Urban Indigenous Strategy Update

- Item deferred to December meeting

5.4 Equity Toolkit

- Item deferred
- Section 1 to be discussed at December meeting

5.5 Mayor's Meeting re: Hate Crimes

- No update or information available

6. Announcements/ Information Sharing

- M. Wright requested to invite two Aboriginal youth to the December 2019 meeting and future meetings to have youth more involved with the committee

7. Closing

- L. Workman did a closing

8. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:50pm

Next Meeting

- Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, December 5, 2019