MINUTES
Aboriginal Advisory Committee
Thursday, January 16, 2020 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall, 71 Main St. W., Room 264

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

Regrets: Allan Loft, Deborah Elmes, Connie Bellamy

Also Present: Betsy Pocop – Human Rights, Diversity & Inclusion (staff)
Shelly Hill and Nicole Jones– Urban Indigenous Strategy

1. Ceremonial Activities
   • S. Hill did an opening

2. Approval of Agenda
   • Addition of item 10. 5 – Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for 2020

Motion #1
L. Workman/ C. Cayuga
That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee accepts the January 16, 2020 agenda, as amended.

CARRIED

5. Declaration of Interest
   • There were no declarations of interest

4. Approval of Minutes of Previous Minutes
   4.1 November 7, 2019
   • Item 5.1 – clarification that M. Wright extended invitation to two Aboriginal youth to attend a future meeting
   • Item 6 – M. Wright has invited the two youth to the December meeting to observe how the committee operates
   • Second point under item 6 removed – related to event in October

Motion #2
L. Workman/ C. Cayuga
That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee accepts the minutes of November 7, 2019, as amended.

CARRIED
5. **Communications**
   - None

6. **Delegation Requests**
   - none

7. **Consent Items**
   - none

8. **Public Hearings/Delegations**
   - none

9. **Staff Presentations**
   9.1 **Urban Indigenous Strategy**
   - S. Hill and N. Jones provided an update
   - Urban Indigenous Strategy will be going to SLT on January 31 to propose action items
   - 6 working groups developed as a result of the implementation plan
   - S. Hill and N. Jones to present to the Committee at the next meeting about the implementation plan
   - A total of $1700 was raised through the Exhibit held at Dundurn Castle
   - On February 11, staff will meet with police services about aligning their anti-racism strategy with the Urban Indigenous Strategy, also initiatives for the future
   - Initiatives for 2020: Indigenous Staff Day and doc series with guest speakers
   - S. Hill and P. Lawlor met with HPL staff to discuss possible display for 2020 at the library; S. Hill has been reaching out to artists and encourages committee members to share with artists they may know who may be interested in displaying their work.

10. **Discussion Items**
   10.1 **Business Arising from Previous Minutes**
   - M. Wright will connect with Six Nations Chief and representatives to follow up on meeting with HSR representative and invite them to attend in February to discuss transit
   - Thank you letter for partners in book display have been sent out
   - P. Lawlor removed personal items from display cabinet; members will need to discuss and decide what items to place in the cabinet; invite S. Hill and N. Jones if there are items they would like to display, including items related to the Urban Indigenous Strategy

10.2 **Equity Toolkit**
   - Item deferred
10.3 Member Resignation
- The Committee was advised that member, Deborah Elmes, has resigned.
- Members expressed gratitude for D. Elmes contribution to the work of the committee and requested a card be sent to D. Elmes

Motion #3
C. Cayuga/L. Workman
That the Aboriginal Advisory Committee regretfully accepts the resignation of member, Deborah Elmes.  
CARRIED

10.4 Elections of Chair and Vice Chair for 2020
- Item deferred

11. Motions
- none

12. Notices of Motion
- none

13. General Information/Other Business
- M. Wright shared that there will be a Full Moon Ceremony at Princess Point on February 10, 2020 at 6pm; women are invited to attend to make prayers for the water

14. Private and Confidential
- None

15. Adjournment
- L. Workman provided a closing

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 6, 2020