

Minutes

Hamilton Veterans Committee

Tuesday October 22nd, 2019

Room 264, 2ND floor, City Hall

Present: Ed Sculthorpe (Chair), Don Jackson (Vice-Chair), David Steckham, Michael Rehill, Steve Waldron, David Baldry, Bob Fyfe

Absent: Nicole Barrett, Councillor L. Ferguson, Tibor Bocz

Also present: Brydie Huffman, Staff Liaison to Hamilton Veterans Committee, City of Hamilton

1. CHANGES TO AGENDA

 Remembrance Day will be moved to top of meeting in order to dismiss guest RSM Lawson of the Argyll and Sutherland unit

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No Changes

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- **3.1** Hamilton Veterans Committee Meeting Minutes, dated September 24th, 2019 (for approval)
- Approved 1st by Bob Fyfe and 2nd by David Steckham

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5. STANDING ITEMS (includes all HVC hosted events)

5.1 Remembrance Day: Staff Liaison Report

 Staff member introduced guest RSM Lawson of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders who joined the meeting, representing the lead unit for the Garrison Parade

- Police officers 6 PDOs have been requested to cover all community Remembrance Day services. HPS has stated that it is becoming difficult to cover all the smaller ceremonies. Asked if HVC thinks we need police at each one as this comes out of HVC budget
- Staff requested that the colour party move to stand in-front of band to not block the cameras streaming the Nov. 11 service
- Video Screens only to be on site for Nov. 11 services going forward as this
 is when the media company (Cable 14) has staff available
- Guest speakers from the French Highschool and Hamilton Mosque have been confirmed. Should reach out to new ones' next year
- Staff asked if it would ever be possible to have the Garrison Parade and Civic service combined to one day (Nov. 11) for cost-saving measures. HVC members and RSM advised this would result in diminished military presence at a military service. The separate days of events are coordinated so members of the Reserve units can participate as Hamilton does not have Regular Forces and therefore work Monday – Friday
- Staff shared tracking budget of Remembrance Day costs (for Gore services). Councillor Johnson will speak to Warplane about the cost for Warbird Flyovers

5.2 Manual for Remembrance Day event duties

Michael Redhill has completed manual

5.3 Sub-committee: Veterans Related Awards

Nothing to report

5.4 Purpose of Committee

Working on resource manual – Michael Rehill

6. NEW BUSINESS - HAMILTON VETERANS COMMITTEE

a. Freedom of the City

- City Manager's office forwarded a request from a cadet corps to organize a Freedom of the City march
- Its outside of Veterans Committee advisory authority and would be decided on by council. Mike Rehill prepared background documents to explain this that will be circulated to City staff upon future requests

7. ROUNDTABLE - Remaining HVC meeting dates for 2019

- November 8th Veterans Committee invited to attend dinner at Liuna Station for Navy Star Dinner (cost \$100 to be paid by guest)
- November 26 4-6pm

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8. ADJOURNMENT:

Next Meeting: **November 26, 2019**, 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

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