



Hamilton

MINUTES

Hamilton Veterans Committee

Tuesday September 24th, 2019

Room 264, 2ND floor, City Hall

Attendance: Ed Sculthorpe (Chair), Don Jackson (Vice-Chair), David Baldry, Bob Fyfe, Steven Waldron, Michael Rehill, David Steckham, Councillor B. Johnson,

Absent with Regrets: Tibor Bocz

Absent: Councillor L. Ferguson

Also Present: Meghann Haggerty, Staff Liaison to Hamilton Veterans Committee, Terry Ryan

1. CHANGES TO AGENDA

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

3.1 Hamilton Veterans Committee Meeting Minutes, dated August 27th, 2019
(for approval)

(Fyfe/Steckahm)

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

5. STANDING ITEMS (includes all HVC hosted events)

5.1 Remembrance Day:

- Construction update:
 - Meghann and Ian Kerr-Wilson, Manager of Heritage Resource Management, met with Rich Shebib (Corridor Management) and Mike Hooper from DeFaveri Construction. The demolition part of the

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project should be finished end of the September/early October with construction of the new building beginning shortly after.

- We can could build temporary hoarding around the site for the two Remembrance Day services. This could be a public art project for in future years.
- It was also agreed that the workers would be taking an extended break during the service on Monday (approx. 10:45am to noon)
- The area does take up a significant portion of the pedestrian area, so it will be in the way of the colour party. We will need to be careful where we put up the barriers as there will be lots of people in the area
- Will look at the site map to see how barriers need to be rearranged
- Police Duty forms submitted by next week – will be in high demand on that day.
- Argylls will be coordinating this year. Parade Orders to be sent to Argyll RSM Lawson; some things need to be removed as they are unnecessary. RSM Lawson will be invited to attend October meeting
- Soundbox is the confirmed supplier for 2019 and will be providing the video as well as audio. Cable 14 will be live streaming on Sunday
- ASL interpreters for both days – to be mentioned in press releases
- Field Gun – for Garrison Parade. Need to contact
- Local school to hand out programs on the Monday?
- Vocalists – will reach out to Bruce Gilroy for Sunday service and will ask Sarena Patton to attend on the Monday.
- Silver Cross mother – Bev McCraw has confirmed to lay wreath but does not want to speak this year
- Parade Route will be the same as last year – up and down James
- Saluting Officers; need to contact Glen Gibson and Glen De Caire. Will be picked up at saluting base and brought to service by Darts
- Wreaths – anyone can lay a wreath, they don't need approval, instructed upon arrival to line up, pickup the next day
- Other services in the City:

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- City of Hamilton and the Hamilton Veterans Committee assists other associations/groups with planning the Ancaster, Dundas, Glanbrook, Stoney Creek and Waterdown services
 - Assist with submitting Event applications (formerly SEAT application), requesting PDOs, road closures, arranging sound, honourariums for pipers/buglers
 - All services are advertised through press releases etc.
 - Flyovers

5.2 Manual for event duties

- Please review electronic document and come prepared to make revisions
 - For all services, not just downtown
 - Start with the program, drives the event
 - Subcommittee for program; Mike Rehill with update and send out to everyone for comment
- Colour Parade – Steve Waldron will do it
- Parade Marshall – Rod Paddon

5.3 Sub-committee: Veterans Related Awards

- Military units to be included as well as who hosts different services

5.4 Purpose of Committee

- Veterans in Hamilton; Tibor will continue to look into it

6. NEW BUSINESS – HAMILTON VETERANS COMMITTEE

a. Dieppe Plaque

- i. After the plaque was stolen and recovered, Christopher Redford (Heritage Presentation Coordinator responsible for plaques) learned that this plaque was gifted to the City by Sheila Copps so it is considered a municipal asset. The City's Risk Management section has provided an account against which the cost of a more secure reinstallation may be charged.
- ii. Examples of other work which has been done to secure cast plaques was provided by email along with Christopher's recommendation to go with a simple boulder - in keeping with beach motif, just high enough to

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present the plaque face on a reasonable angle at the level of a person viewing it in a wheelchair, but not so high as to impede a good overall view of the wall of the memorial if one was taking a photograph at a distance.

- iii. The committee would like to look into other materials – Councillor Johnson mentioned an issue in a park in her ward where they went with etched glass as a deterrent for theft and vandalism.
- iv. Committee will go with a boulder if other options are not available
- v. Would like to invite Shannon Coles, the new Conservator, to a future meeting to discuss best practices for the City regarding all plaques.

b. National Never Forgotten Memorial, Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

- i. Councillor Johnson explained that this correspondence was sent to Council with the hope of gaining more endorsement. There is controversy surrounding the planned memorial; 25 million dollars to build an 8 storey Mother Canada statue situation on Cape Breton island, Parks Canada decided to pull out as a partner and will not allow construction on Parks land

- ii. Recommendation: be received

c. Committee Pins

- i. New members of the committee will be receiving pins

d. Resignation of Nicole Barrett

- i. Resignation read out and received by the committee

e. Hamilton Military Museum

- i. Carolyn King, Supervisor of the Hamilton Military Museum is looking for help with connecting with veterans for Remembrance Day programming next year
- ii. Committee suggests she contact speaking bureaus to connect with veterans but will also send her the resource manual
- iii. Citizen Terry Ryan has been invited to act as an advising assistant to the Committee for collaboration with the local cadet corps and the Hamilton Decoration Day event planning

7. ROUNDTABLE – Remaining HVC meeting dates for 2019

- October 22
- November 26
- December TBD

ADJOURNMENT

() The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Next Meeting: **October 22nd, 2019**

4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Room 264, 2ND floor, City Hall