



MINUTES
Hamilton Veterans Committee
September 29th, 2020
4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
WebEx – Virtual Platform

Chair: Ed Sculthorpe

Recorder: Lauren Anastasi

Present: Councillor Johnson, Councillor Ferguson, David Steckham, Tibor Bocz, Robert Fyfe, Don Jackson, Michael Rehill, Steven Waldron, Dave Baldry, Tamara Bates, Brydie Huffman (Staff)

Absent with Regrets:

1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

- 1.1 Moment of Silence
- 1.2 Land Acknowledgement

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 2.1 Agenda was approved by all committee members

MOVED: Robert Fyfe

SECOND: Michael Rehill

That the agenda of today's meeting be approved.

CARRIED

3. DECLERATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

- 4.1 Approval of Minutes February 2020
No changes to the minutes were required.

That the meeting minutes of February 2020 be approved.

CARRIED

5. DELEGATION REQUESTS

5.1 Cameron Kroetsch, Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender and Queer Advisory Committee (LGBTQ), regarding an All Advisory Committee meeting.

That the delegation request from Cameron Kroetsch be placed on hold pending more information is provided to HVC.

CARRIED

6. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

6.1 Hero Windows at the Lister Block

- Using the unused spring budget funds toward a Remembrance Day art installation at Lister Block, 28 James Street North November 4th-13th 2020. This installation will represent inclusive military photos from Hamilton's past and poppies.

6.2 Educational Videos for Remembrance Day

- Educational videos filmed at the Military Museum. Schools will have access to this content to educate students about Remembrance Day in place of assemblies this year.
- How to pay respects when an assembly is not possible, heritage artifacts including the use of masks during WWI & WWII in comparison to how we use them today etc.
- These videos will be made available on the Military Museum website, City of Hamilton Events webpage, a press release and distributed to the HWSDB and through social media channels. Downloadable packages for teachers.

6.3 Emergency Operation Centre (EOC) responses to Remembrance Day Services

- Changes to large public gatherings due to Covid-19. Options presented to Emergency Operations Committee (EOC)
 - a) Smaller event at Cenotaph
 - b) Pre-recorded service
 - c) Smaller event in Council Chambers
- EOC would like us to organize a limited service indoors to be live streamed by Cable 14 on Remembrance Day. They do not want support staff coordinating the even at the Cenotaph.

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

7.1 Remembrance Day

- Requesting suggestions for indoor locations as per EOC's recommendation. Armouries are not allowing indoor events. An arena was suggested. Glanbrook municipal centre.
- A pre-recorded message was agreed upon at our last meeting. HVC still agrees this is the safest and most viable option.
- October 27th is the next HVC meeting, decision needs to be made prior to this date.

That a meeting be requested with Paul Johnson of EOC, HVC Chair Ed Scuthorpe and staff Brydie Huffman to discuss HVC's preference for a pre-recorded Remembrance Day ceremony. Councillor Ferguson and Councillor Johnson have agreed to attend the meeting if required.

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7.2 Community Cenotaphs

- Lone bugler/piper to be placed at each community Cenotaph in case citizens arrive to pay respects although outdoor services will not be in place. CHCH will be recording at the different locations.
- Lancaster will still be flying over it's same flight path over Hamilton on the day of.

8. MOTIONS

There were no motions.

9. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no notices of motion.

10. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 Tibor Bocz will be moving on from HVC.

11. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: Michael Rehill

SECOND: Robert Fyfe

That the Hamilton Veterans Committee meeting be adjourned at 4:28pm

CARRIED