



Hamilton
MINUTES
Hamilton Veterans Committee

Meeting #2024 - 003
June 25, 2024
4:00 p.m.
WebEx – Virtual Platform

Present: Chair: Michael Rehill
Vice Chair: Ed Sculthorpe
Members: Terry Ryan, Dave Baldry, Steve Waldron, Rod Paddon, Robert Fife, Don Jackson

Also Present: Christopher Redford (Staff Liaison), Carolyn King (Hamilton Military Museum), Moira McGuigan (Hamilton Military Museum)

1. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

(i) Moment of Silence

Committee members observed a moment of silence.

(ii) Land Acknowledgement

Michael Rehill read the Land Acknowledgement.

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(Baldry/Sculthorpe)

That the agenda for the June 25, 2024 meeting of the Hamilton Veterans Committee be approved.

CARRIED

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 4)

(i) May 28, 2024

(Ryan/Paddon)

That the Minutes of the May 28, 2024 meeting of The Hamilton Veterans Committee be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

4. COMMUNICATIONS (Item 5)

(i) Argyll Pavilion Signage (Item 5.1)

Two signs have been installed next to the pathway, there will be a small ceremony on June 26 at 1:00 pm to celebrate the installation.

(ii) Event Use Of Pedestrianized Space Adjacent To The Cenotaph (Item 5.2)

The BIA wishes to use the space adjacent to the Cenotaph. The Chair and Co-Chair confirmed permission previous to this meeting. The BIA used the space and abided by the map and regulations that the committee established to avoid damage to the Cenotaph.

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 10)

(Ryan/Paddon)

That the following updates be received:

(i) Research A Grave (Item 10.1)

City Liaison requested Committee Members to assist contacting cadets to encourage support and to allow the project to move forward this year. Committee Members involvement will be beneficial as will pursuing support around Remembrance Day. This item will be added to the agenda of the September 2024 committee meeting.

(ii) Decoration Day 2024 Wrap-Up (Item 10.2)

The Ceremony had amazing attendance, while the service was kept short and concise. The Hamilton Military Museum offered their immense thanks for the cadet attendance at the Hamilton Museum's Dundurn Park event following the ceremony. RCMP showed interest in attending the Ceremony in 2025, T. Ryan to send contact information to the City Liaison. For 2025: Cadet Officers should assist more and can lead the

cadets in decorating instead of Committee Members, increase in advertising to the public, Legions are welcome to attend, Pat Gallagher will be contacted to discuss a tour for the parents of the cadets. Discussion about Woodland Cemetery hosting the Ceremony in 2025, this discussion has been postponed to January 2025.

(iii) Marking the 80th Anniversary of D-Day (Item 10.3)

Committee recognized E. Sculthorpe for his wonderful job being interviewed and filmed for the anniversary. On November 5 at 9:30 am, there will be another interview conducted of promotional footage for Remembrance Day.

(iv) Merchant Marine Marker (Item 10.4)

City Liaison contacted the Superintendent of Parks North to start discussing the potential use of Pier 8 as the new location for the marker. The Chair sent a letter but has not heard a response.

(v) Hamilton Wreath Project 2024 (Item 10.5)

City Liaison to visit schools in September to gain more interest and participation than last year.

(vi) Dieppe Memorial Service (Item 10.6)

Planning has begun, Padre and Band have been confirmed. Planning Committee to book a meeting in early July to complete everything. There will be no July Committee Meeting, this planning meeting will take its place.

6. ADJOURNMENT (Item 15)

(Paddon/Sculthorpe)

That, there being no further business, the meeting be adjourned at 4:21 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully,

**Michael Rehill, Chair
Hamilton Veterans Committee**