Emergency & Community Services Committee
REPORT 07-006
Wednesday, May 9, 2007
1:30 p.m.
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present: Councillors S. Merulla (Chair), T. Jackson (Vice Chair), S. Duvall, M. McCarthy, B. McHattie and B. Morelli
Absent with Regrets: Councillor R. Pasuta – Personal Business
Also Present: G. Peace, City Manager
J. Kay, General Manager/Chief, Hamilton Emergency Services
H. Tomasik, Acting General Manager, Community Services Department
B. Fenwick, Director, Culture & Recreation Division
S. Paparella, Legislative Assistant, Clerk’s Office

THE EMERGENCY & COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE PRESENTS REPORT 07-006 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. City of Hamilton Fireworks By-law (CS02080(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That the proposed amendment to the City of Hamilton Fireworks By-law 02-285 (attached as Appendix “A” to Report 07-006 repealing By-law No. 4166-94, passed by The Corporation of the Town of Dundas, namely “A By-law to Regulate the Sale and Use of Fireworks”) be approved and enacted.

2. Revised Arts Advisory Commission Terms of Reference – Arts Advisory Commission Report 07-001 (Item 8.2)

That the revised Terms of Reference of the Arts Advisory Commission, hereto attached as Appendix “B” to Report No. 07-006, be approved.

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3. **West Flamboro, Christie’s Corners Plaque – Hamilton Historical Board Report 07-001 (Item 8.3)**

That the wording for the West Flamboro, Christie’s Corners plaque, hereto attached and marked as Appendix “C” to Report No. 07-006, be approved.

4. **Installation of Temporary Public Art Mural on City Property (ECS07048) (Ward 2) (Item 8.4)**

(a) That the request from the International Village Business Improvement Area (BIA), in partnership with Arts Hamilton, to attach a temporary mural on the façade of the building located at 193 King Street East (formerly known as the Sandbar Tavern), be approved.

(b) That the City Solicitor be directed to prepare a formal mural agreement between the Corporation and the International Village BIA and Arts Hamilton.

5. **Mail Delivery in Rural Areas (Item 9.1)**

That Canada Post be notified that the City of Hamilton does not object to Canada Post observing the green property address signs, which are placed at rural addresses for easy recognition by the 911 emergency response system, to assist in the detection of rural postal addresses, where address numbers may be missing from resident’s mailboxes.

6. **New Federal Initiative – Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) (SPH00062)(b)) (City Wide) (Item 12.1)**

(a) That the General Manager of Community Services be authorized and directed to enter into an agreement with Service Canada to become the Community Entity for the facilitation and administration of projects approved for Homelessness Partnering Strategy funding.

(b) That the agreement be effective April 1, 2007 until March 31, 2009.
FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) **CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Committee Clerk noted the following changes to the agenda:

(i) Withdrawal of Item 5.1 - Improvements to Soccer Fields at Lake Avenue School – Information Report (ECS07026) (Ward 5) has been withdrawn from this agenda, as staff has received additional information that will affect this report. Staff will bring forward a revised report to future meeting.

(ii) Added to Item 5.3 – Appendix A to Report ECS07041

(iii) Added as Item 8.4 - Installation of Temporary Public Art Mural on City Property (ECS07048) (Ward 2)

(iv) Added as item 9.1 – A Motion respecting Mail Delivery in Rural Areas

The May 9, 2007, agenda of the Emergency & Community Services Committee were approved, as amended.

(b) **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

There were none declared.

(c) **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)**

The Minutes of the April 18, 2007 meeting of the Emergency & Community Services Committee were approved, as presented.

(d) **Delegation Request made by Dr. Gene Sutton, of Sport Hamilton, requesting to speak to the Emergency & Community Services Committee, regarding Funding, for Sport Hamilton (Item 4.1)**

The delegation request, made by Dr. Gene Sutton, of Sport Hamilton, requesting to speak to the Emergency & Community Services Committee, regarding Funding, for Sport Hamilton, at the June 6, 2007 Committee Meeting, was approved.
(e) Improvements to Soccer Fields at Lake Avenue School – Information Report (ECS07026) (Ward 5) (Item 5.1)

Information Report ECS07026 – Improvements to Soccer Fields at Lake Avenue School was withdrawn from the May 9, 2007, Emergency & Community Services Committee agenda, as staff has received additional information that will affect this report. Staff will bring forward a revised report to future meeting.

(f) Recreation Registration – Information Report (ECS07039) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

Report ECS07039 – Recreation Registration was received for information.

(g) 2006 - 2007 Ontario Works Plan – Information Report (ECS07041) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)

Report ECS07041 – 2006 - 2007 Ontario Works Plan was received for information.

(h) Arts Advisory Commission Meeting Minutes, dated March 27, 2007 (Item 5.4)

The Minutes of the March 27, 2007 meeting of the Arts Advisory Commission were received.

(i) Hamilton Historical Board Meeting Minutes, dated February 13, 2007 (Item 5.5)

The Minutes of the February 13, 2007 meeting of the Hamilton Historical Board were received.

(j) Hamilton Historical Board Meeting Minutes, dated March 20, 2007 (Item 5.6)

The Minutes of the March 20, 2007 meeting of the Hamilton Historical Board were received.

(k) Seniors Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes, dated February 2, 2007 (Item 5.7)

The Minutes of the February 2, 2007 meeting of the Seniors Advisory Committee were received.
(l) Installation of Temporary Public Art Mural on City Property (ECS07048) (Ward 2) (Item 8.4)

Staff was directed to provide information regarding the difference between the Arts Advisory Commission and Arts Hamilton.

(m) Mail Delivery in Rural Areas (Item 9.1)

The Rules of Order be waived in order that Councillor M. McCarthy may introduce a motion, on behalf of Councillor D. Mitchell, respecting mail delivery in rural areas.

(n) Outstanding Business List Items (Item 11)

The proposed new due dates for the following Outstanding Business List Items were approved:

11.1 Item “E” – Employment Trends
(Due: May 9/07) **Proposed New Due Date: “TBD”**

11.2 Item “F” – Vital Services By-law
(Due: May 9/07) **Proposed New Due Date: “TBD”**

11.3 Item “I” – Ice Rates and Times for Non-Affiliated Clubs
(Due: May 9/07) **Proposed New Due Date: June 6, 2007**

11.4 Item “K” – Eastdale Park Bocce Group – Upgrades to Bocce Lanes in Park
(Due: May 9/07) **Proposed New Due Date: May 23, 2007**

11.5 Item “N” - City Owned Golf Courses
(Due: May 9/07) **Proposed New Due Date: “TBD”**

(o) New Federal Initiative – Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS) (SPH00062)(b)) (City Wide) (Item 12.1)

Committee moved into Closed Session as Discussion of the Private and Confidential report was subject to Section 8.1, Sub-section (d) of the City's Procedural By-law and Section 239(2), Sub-section (d) of the Ontario Municipal Act, 2001, as amended, as the subject matter pertained to a labour relations or employee negotiations matter.

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Immediately after approving the motion to move into Closed Session, and before the Chamber was cleared, Committee determined that they did not need to discuss the matter in Closed Session, and subsequently reconvened in Open Session.

Committee approved the recommendations in Report SPH00062(b) – New Federal Initiative – Homelessness Partnering Strategy, as shown in Item 6 above.

(p) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor S. Merulla (Chair)
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Assistant
May 9, 2007
CITY OF HAMILTON

BY-LAW NO. 07-____

To Amend Fireworks By-law No. 02-285 to Repeal By-law No. 4166-94, Passed by The Corporation of the Town of Dundas, namely “A By-law to Regulate the Sale and Use of Fireworks”

WHEREAS Council enacted By-law 02-285 (Fireworks By-law) with the intent of repealing all previous Fireworks By-laws in existence at that time;

AND WHEREAS Section 121 of the Municipal Act, S. O. 2001, c. 25 provides that a municipality may regulate or prohibit the sale of fireworks;

AND WHEREAS new phrasing is required to repeal By-law No. 4166-94, passed by The Corporation of the Town of Dundas, namely “A By-law to regulate the Sale and Use of Fireworks”,

NOW THEREFORE the Council of the City of Hamilton enacts as follows:

1. That Section 12.1 of City of Hamilton By-law No. 02-285 is hereby amended to include the phrasing “12.1(e) By-law No. 4166-94, passed by The Corporation of the Town of Dundas, namely “A By-law to Regulate the Sale and Use of Fireworks”,

2. That this by-law comes into force and effect on the date of its passing.

PASSED and ENACTED this day of , 2007.

MAYOR
Fred Eisenberger

CITY CLERK
Kevin Christenson
TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR
THE ARTS ADVISORY COMMISSION

1. MEMBERSHIP
1.0 The Commission is made up of thirteen (13) members representing a balance among artists and the community. One of the thirteen (13) members must be a member of the current City Council.

1.1 Membership represents a balanced range of artistic disciplines to include but not limited to:
- visual arts,
- literary arts,
- media arts,
- theatre arts,
- music,
- dance,
- crafts.

Every effort will be made to have membership reflect the diversity of Hamilton’s many communities.

1.2 A member may represent more than one of the above disciplines/sectors.

1.3 Based on the above criteria, members of the Commission are appointed by Hamilton City Council.

2. TERMS OF MEMBERSHIP

2.0 Members are expected to serve a term that coincides with the term of Council, and may serve a maximum of two (2) consecutive terms.

2.1 A term extends from September 1 of the first year to August 31 of the fifth year.

2.2 At the end of the second consecutive term, a member may reapply after an absence of at least one (1) year.

2.3 In the event that a vacancy occurs before the end of a term, Hamilton City Council may appoint a replacement on recommendation of the Commission.

3. ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF MEMBERS

3.0 Members are expected to further the Mission and Mandate of the Commission.

3.1 Members are expected to attend all scheduled meetings of the Commission. If unable to attend, a member is expected to send regrets at least 24 hours before a scheduled meeting. A member who misses three consecutive meetings of the Commission may be asked to resign.

3.2 The Commission, with approval of a majority of the Commission members, may work with other municipal committees and external arts organizations to further the Mission and Mandate of the Commission.

3.3 At the September meeting of each year, the Commission will elect an Executive consisting of a Chair, a Vice-Chair, and an Arts Awards Committee Chair. The term for any Executive member will be one (1) year, renewable to a maximum of two (2) consecutive years. In the event of a vacancy on the Executive, the Commission will hold an immediate election.
3.4 The Chair will chair all Commission meetings and be spokesperson for the Commission.

3.5 The Vice-Chair will assume the responsibilities of the Chair in the Chair’s absence. In the absence of the Chair and Vice-Chair, a quorum of Commission members will elect a Pro-Tem Chair.

3.6 The Executive Committee will work with Staff to prepare agendas, monitor the work of the Commission, and work with Staff between meetings to carry out the business of the Commission.

3.7 The Arts Awards Committee will coordinate the annual Arts Awards.

3.8 The Commission will develop an annual Work Plan, and as part of the regular meeting agendas, review the Commission’s progress in implementing the goals and objectives of the Work Plan.

4 COMMITTEES

4.0 There will be two (2) standing committees: the Executive Committee and the Arts Awards Committee.

4.1 The Commission may strike ad hoc committees as needed to deal with the implementation of the Mandate, and the goals and objectives of the Work Plan.

5 CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND CONFIDENTIALITY

5.0 Conflict of interest occurs when a member participates in discussion or decision-making about any matter that may financially benefit that member, a member of his/her family, a person with whom the member is in personal or business contact, or any organization with whom the member is affiliated.

5.1 In all cases where the Commission agenda presents such a conflict of interest for a member, that member will declare a conflict of interest, and will abstain from all discussion and voting on the issue.

5.2 All Commission members will refrain from the personal use and communication of any privileged or confidential information.

5.3 All Commission members will sign a conflict of interest agreement reflecting the above.

6 DECISION-MAKING

6.0 Although the Commission should endeavor to reach decisions by consensus, when a vote is necessary a simple majority vote will carry the question. In the case of a tie vote, the Chair will cast the deciding vote.

6.1 Between scheduled meetings, should a decision be required, the Executive Committee will poll all Commission members and make an objective decision based on that poll. The decision will be communicated to all Commission members.

7 GUIDELINES FOR MEETINGS
7.0 Meeting of the Commission will be held on a monthly basis on a day and time determined by the Commission, Special meetings may be called at the discretion of the Chair, or upon written submission by five (5) members.

7.1 A quorum consists of a majority of total Commission membership seven (7 members).

7.2 If within 20 minutes of the time called for a meeting there is no quorum, the meeting will stand adjourned.

7.3 Only members present at a meeting may cast a vote.

7.4 Meetings of the Commission are open to the public.

8. EDUCATION AND TRAINING

8.0 All members are expected to participate in orientation and training sessions offered by the City of Hamilton for volunteer citizen members.

8.1 All members are expected to attend training sessions for grants adjudication.

8.2 Subject to the Commission’s approval, members may represent the Commission at arts related workshops and conferences, As a delegate, at the conclusion of the event the member will provide a report to the Commission.

9. GRANTS ADJUDICATION

9.0 All members are expected to participate in the annual grants adjudication process.

9.1 In accordance with Section 5 (Conflict of Interest and Confidentiality), all members are expected to declare a conflict of interest should such a situation arise in the process of adjudicating grants.

Adopted by the Arts Advisory Commission  24 October 2006
WEST FLAMBORO, CHRISTIE’S CORNERS

Organized worship was first held in the Flamboro school house opposite the present church in 1825. George Sheed, licentiate of the Church of Scotland, tutored the children of the Honorable James Crooks of Crooks’ Hollow and conducted Sunday Services for settlers. He organized a two-point pastoral charge of Flamboro and Ancaster in connection with the Synod of the Presbyterian Church of Canada from 1827 until his death in 1832.

Thomas Christie arrived from the Orkney Islands in 1832 under authority of the United Associate Synod of the Secession Church of Scotland. Families from the former Kirk body joined the new congregation of West Flamboro in 1832, purchased land for five shillings and built a wooden church which seated two hundred. Flamboro was erected as part of a multi-point charge that included Little Scotland (Kirkwall), Beverly Township and St. George, Dumfries Township.

The present church on Lot 1, Concession 1 of West Flamboro Township was built in 1866 and dedicated the following year. The adjacent manse was constructed in 1868 from plans procured by Thomas Christie when in Scotland. Following the 1925 church union vote, the congregation joined with the Presbyterian congregations of Sheffield and Kirkwall as a three-point charge until 1955, when the tie was dissolved and West Flamboro became a single self-supporting congregation. Later additions to the sanctuary were completed in 1958 and 1986.

For thirty-eight years, Reverend Thomas Christie faithfully served the Flamboro area. The community honoured his memory by naming the site of his labours, Christie’s Corners.

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Additional Notes:
Early records spell Flamborough as Flamboro as does the congregation currently and in all their documents.
One source used Alexander rather than George for Rev. Sheed.