MINUTES OF THE ANCASTER VILLAGE CORE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING JANUARY 10TH, 2005

PRESENT: Walter Buchko Chairman
Art Bowes
Brad Kuhn
Frances Cheyne
Gerry Fabbri
Allan Beattie
Pauline Maue
Jane Powell

ALSO PRESENT: Murray Ferguson Councillor Ward 12
James Goodram Planning & Development Dept.
Dragana Skokovic-Sunjic Dell Pharmacy

Walter Buchko called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

1. Welcome and Introductions

W. Buchko welcomed Committee members and guests to the meeting.


It was MOVED by B. Kuhn, SECONDED by P. Maue that the minutes be approved, CARRIED.

3. Business Arising From the Minutes:

a) Update – Old Fire Hall, Tisdale and Hammill Houses

Councillor Ferguson advised that there are no new updates with respect to these municipal properties other than that the rezoning process for the Hammill House is moving forward.

b) Capital Projects update

J. Goodram advised that the Korean War plaque project is moving forward.
J. Goodram advised that the garbage receptacles have been ordered for Wilson Street.

c) Library Expansion update

Councillor Ferguson advised that a meeting will be held Wednesday at noon respecting this initiative. Following this meeting he will be in a better position to advise Committee members.

d) Information package mail out to Village Core Property owners update

J. Goodram advised that this package was mailed out to the addresses provided by F. Cheyne.

Action: W. Buchko to run additional copies of this package for Committee members to distribute as well.

e) Letter of Appreciation to Village Auto

W. Buchko advised that the letter has been mailed. The Committee discussed the new flashing sign that this business has installed. The general sentiment was that it is not appropriate.

f) Ti-Cat Banners

J. Goodram presented that proposed design of the Banner. It was MOVED by B. Kuhn, SECONDED by G. Fabbri that the banner design be approved as shown and that two banners may be installed on every third pole, CARRIED.

Action: J. Goodram to advise the Tiger Cats organization of the Committee decision and state that it is subject to the agreement presented in the fall.

g) Walking Tour to be placed on City Website

Action: J. Goodram to follow up with Tourism Hamilton.

4. New Business

a) GR8 Skate

W. Buchko advised that the owners will come to the next or following meeting but that they have stated that their sales are increasing.
b) **Former Tim Hortons restaurant – Halson and Wilson Streets**  
W. Buchko advised that this vacated store will become a CHILLIS take-out deli and it is anticipated to open sometime in the late winter.

c) **Old Town Hall**  
The paint appears to be peeling off of the cupola and ginger bread trim. The windows are also in poor condition.

**Action:** Councillor Ferguson to send a message to the appropriate staff person regarding this issue.

d) **Proposed Capital projects for 2005**  
J. Goodram advised that Downtown Renewal is proposing $25,000 in funding for capital projects within the Village Core for 2005. The Committee needs to develop a list of projects for the funds to be put towards. The Downtown Renewal Division also has a landscape architect on staff who may be a resource for the Committee. It is suggested that such a project list be discussed at the next meeting of the Committee in February.

e) **Citizen of the Year**  
F. Cheyne discussed the awards process and requested the Committee’s support of the event and perhaps nominations.

5. **Next Meeting**  
The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, February 21, 2005, 7:00 p.m. at the Lions Outdoor Pool.

6. **Adjournment**  
The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.