January 9, 2006

Mayor Di Ianni
Members of Council and Staff

Please find the following enclosed:

1 - Request for 2006 Operating and Capital grants provided to staff November 15, 2005

2 - Ten Year Capital Replacement Plan

3 - History of the Organization

4 - Pamphlet outlining the commitment and dedication of the Rescue Unit along the Lake Ontario shoreline from the Ship Canal to the Niagara Regional line near Fifty Point

5 - A pictorial overview of the resources and assets that are available when required.

6 - Training and Response Report for 2005

The Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit respectfully requests consideration for our 2005 Operating and Capital Grant request.

Respectfully submitted,

James Simmons
Treasurer / Member of Board of Directors
H. B. R. U. Inc.
November 15 2005

Mr. Tony Tollis
Director of Budgets and Finance
71 Main Street West
City of Hamilton, Ontario

Dear Sir,

Re: 2006 Budget, Operating and Capital

As per your request of October 7 2005, please find a draft 2006 Budget Request enclosed. The audited Financial Statement for 2004 is also enclosed and the audited Financial Statement for 2005 will be available April 15 2006. Also enclosed for your file is a history of the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit Incorporated.

The proposed operating budget for 2006 is outlined in Appendix ‘B’ and the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit respectfully requests a grant of $55,750.00.

A capital allotment of $60,000.00 in addition to an operating budget was granted in 2005. The operating budget was paid in three installments. The 2005 budget is attached as Appendix ‘A’

The Organization was successful in receiving two previous grants from the Trillium Foundation, thereby allowing the purchase of a vehicle, Radar units, and funding toward replacement of our Training Hall.

A donation of $10,000.00 was received from Siemens Westinghouse and current funds in the Capital Reserve Account allowed the organization to fully fund the purchase of a new twenty-one foot Limestone Rescue Boat.

We are requesting a one time grant of $120,000.00 to replace the storage building where the Rescue Boats, vehicle and associated equipment are stored.

A revised Ten year Capital Plan and 2005 activity report will be provided when available prior to December 20 2005.

It should be noted that our Operating Budget request is approximately 8.6% greater than 2005 due to fuel and insurance costs. Although our request is higher than Council's direction, I respectfully ask for your support in moving forward with the 2006 Budget and Capital Allotment.

Yours truly,

Jim Simmons
Treasurer H.B.R.U. Inc.

Cc Brent Andreychuk, Finance Department
Cc Glen Peace, City Manager
Cc Councillor Chad Collins
Cc Councillor Maria Pearson
Cc Joe Rinaldo City Treasurer
## 2005 Operating Budget

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## Proposed 2006 Operating Budget

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December 12, 2005

Mr. Tony Tollis  
Director of Budgets and Finance  
71 Main Street West  
City of Hamilton, Ontario

Dear Sir,  
Re: 2006 Budget, Operating and Capital

As per our conversation December 2nd 2005, please find enclosed a Ten Year Capital Plan 2006 – 2015.

The request from November 15th 2005 was for a Capital Allotment of $60,000 and also, a one time $120,000 to replace the storage building. This request could be reduced to a Capital Allotment of $60,000 and a one time $60,000 additional funds and would thereby allow the going forward with funds in the Capital Reserve account.

Also, the Ten Year Plan spikes 2010, 2012 and 2015 and I would suggest that these be phased in as opposed to additional one-time funds. In 2010 the 2002 Tahoe Support and Tow vehicle is due for replacement and the organization will be applying for funding from the Ontario Trillium Foundation.

Yours truly,

Jim Simmons  
Treasurer H.B.R.U. Inc.

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ORIGIN & HISTORY OF THE HAMILTON BEACH RESCUE UNIT INC.

In 1939 our fore fathers started a volunteer A.R.P. (Air Raid Patrol) along the shores of Lake Ontario from the Hamilton Canal to VanWagners Beach.

In 1941, the A.R.P was disbanded and the Burlington Beach Volunteer Fire Department was born. The Fire Marshall’s Office in Toronto officially recognized this volunteer fire department in 1941. In those years, the beach strip was a separate community that was managed by a “Beach Commission”. This group was comprised of a manager, secretary, and seven volunteer commissionaires who would oversee their own Police Department, Fire Department and Public Works Department. The Beach Commission reported and answered directly to the Ontario Provincial Politicians in Toronto. The beach strip was a closely-knit community in those days and still is today.

In 1956, the City of Hamilton annexed the beach strip and we became part of the City of Hamilton. The City Fire Department took over our volunteer fire department and the active volunteers still wanting to stay together decided to form the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit. They were all trained in first-aid and water rescue and used two twelve foot dinghy’s to rescue swimmers in the summer and ice-bank rescues in the winter.

In May of 1957, the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit was founded and started with one borrowed and one rented boat and motor. They patrolled every Saturday, Sunday and Monday holidays from May until September, but were on call to answer any emergency 24 hours a day, 365 days a year. As the years past, they were able to purchase bigger and better boats capable of handling the storms and rough waters of Lake Ontario.

Those dedicated Volunteers ran a small carnival, sold tickets, ran ham and turkey raffles and raised the money to cover the expenses of the unit. Sometimes the members had to dig into their own pockets and donate money to cover the outstanding bills.

Somehow we survived those lean days and in 1965, we approached the City of Hamilton and asked for some financial assistance to help cover our operating expenses. The City
agreed but the unit was still responsible for raised their own capital funds for purchasing new boats, equipment and a vehicle to tow the boats to the launch area. Only with a lot of hard work and dedication by these volunteers, have we been able to build and progress the unit to meet today’s standards and community’s requirements.

Over the past 45 years, we have saved many lives and have assisted hundreds of boaters in trouble on the lake and in Hamilton Bay.

In order to expand our training and to better serve the boating community and other water recreational public, we joined forces with the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary. For over 15 years, our volunteers have worked in co-operation with the Canadian Coast Guard to receive training in such courses as C.P.R., first aid, hypothermia, boating, boat inspections, search and rescue tactics, V.H.F., radar, towing, and G.P.S. operation.

Although we receive an operating grant and some capital monies, we still have to raise additional funds to meet the capital project needs of the organization. The City of Hamilton and the Ontario Trillium Foundation have both donated funds toward some of our recent major capital projects. We are very grateful for their support, which has enabled us to purchase a new boat and towing vehicle and commence renovations of our training hall.

The members of the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit Inc. are a group of well-trained, dedicated volunteers who risk their lives on a regular basis to save the lives of fellow citizens using our community waters in the Hamilton area.

William Dean

June 9, 2003
Revived In Rescue...
Over 25 active and another 25 available volunteers give of their time to make a difference. The difference between saving a life from death. Their reward is not money, it is seeing the look of relief on the face of someone saved on the water or the rejoice of a parent or loved one upon the return of an overdue boater or swimmer.

50 Years Of Helping Thousands
Hopefully you are never stranded in the isolated waters of Lake Ontario facing a life-threatening situation. The Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit has been there for 50 years and has helped thousands of people make it safely back to shore by answering their “mayday.” In order to be there for the next 50 years, these dedicated volunteers need your help and support to ensure the proper maintenance of existing equipment and the purchase of new equipment when necessary.

Making a difference in people’s lives
“The Rescue Unit routinely comes to the rescue for stranded swimmers and wind surfers who risk their lives by underestimating the lake”
The Spectator

“6 years old boy was rescued by volunteers of the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit after drifting more than a kilometer from shore on a plastic raft”
The Spectator

“Beach Rescue Unit saves 3 boaters... Three boaters were pulled from Lake Ontario by the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit after their craft capsized”
The Spectator

“Thank you all for caring and giving your time, and for being there when people like ourselves need your help”
Grateful Parents

“Your Unit exemplifies the highest qualities of service to the community”
Hamilton Police Department

The Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit

Dedicated to Saving Lives Since 1958
Committed To Saving Lives...

The Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit is a non-profit organization that calls upon the talents and time of many dedicated volunteers. This group of caring individuals become a water rescue team when lives are on the line. When it counts, these individuals are out there risking their lives to save others who are facing the unpredictable waters of Lake Ontario.

ON CALL
24hrs A DAY!

The Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit is on call year round and provides regular patrol on weekends and holidays from June through September from the Hamilton - Burlington - Oakville border to the Niagara regional line near Fifty Point. The unit works in cooperation with Hamilton Wentworth Police, the Canadian Coast Guard and R.C.C. Trenton.

Ongoing Training...

In 1986, the Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit was affiliated with the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (CCGA). Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit is certified in Water Safety and Water Rescue with volunteers spending up to 7000 hours training every year. Their training includes the following:

- St. John's First Aid - CPR
- Ice Rescue
- Small Vessel Education
- Navigational Chart Reading - GPS
- Search and Rescue Procedures
- Maintenance
- VHF - (M) DSC
HAMILTON BEACH RESCUE UNIT
TRAINING AND RESPONSE REPORT

Our volunteers meet and train at our training hall headquarters every Monday from 1900 to 2100 hours.

Description of Classroom Training Exercises (non-exhaustive)

- Navigations: chart reading, compass, etc.
- Equipment familiarization
- First Aid: Two-day course provided by St. John's Ambulance (weekend)
- Hypothermia: recognition, prevention and survival.
- Fire prevention: extinguishers and hazardous chemical training.
- Firefighting: on-board firefighting and fire pump training etc.
- GPS & Radar Training
- VHF Radio Procedures: As of January 1, 2005 radios are equipped with Digital Selective Calling (DSC) and everyone must be trained and licensed.
- Distress signals: flares, hand signals, etc.
- Search & Rescue Procedures: required to meet the Canadian Coast Guard standards.
- SAR courses: mandatory requirement in order to meet SAR standards.
- Safety: all aspects of boating.

Weather permitting, our boatlift is put in the water in April and we are ready to respond to any calls of distress. We schedule Mondays for "on the water" training in all aspects of boating, cleaning and organizing, making sure that all of the equipment is on-board and in acceptable working condition.

Summary of Activities and Emergency Responses 2005

January 1—1100 to 1300 hours:
ANNUAL POLAR BEAR DIP
- Beach Rescue assisted at annual Polar Bear Dip at Van Wagner's Beach with support vehicle and personnel.

January 29—0900 to 1300 hours:
ICE RESCUE TRAINING
- Beach residents experience ice forming on the beach. The formations are like mountains of ice and since the public in general walk close to the edge, accidents happen. If someone falls in the ice water, the Beach Rescue Unit is prepared to respond with the appropriate equipment, procedures and training.

March 19, 20—0900 to 1600 hours:
CANADIAN CENTRE FOR INLAND WATERS (CCIW) SEARCH AND RESCUE (SAR) COURSES AND TRAINING
- These courses are provided by the Canadian Coast Guard Auxiliary (CCGA) and are mandatory to all volunteers in order to become a member of the CCGA and to be recognize by the Rescue Coordination Centre (RCC) in Trenton.
March 24—0900 to 1300 hours:
MEETING
- The Chief and the Board Of Directors of the Beach Rescue Unit met with Halton and Hamilton Marine Units to discuss and harmonize resources so as to provide a better service and assistance to ratepayers and the general public in need of this specialized assistance.

May 1—0900 to 1200 hours:
INSPECTION
- Vessel Rescue 161 and Rescue 162 were inspected by Mr. Dan Pellerin (District Director, CCGA) for mandatory equipment on-board and proper maintenance.

May 7—0830 to 1300 hours:
BOAT LIFT
- Our boat lift went in the water. It was towed by a tug supplied by CCIW. All volunteers are present to help the process. At this time, letters are sent out to RCC and the Police Units as a reminder that we are fully operational and ready to respond to any emergency.

June 11—0800 to 1300 hours:
DEDICATION OF OUR NEW VESSEL
- All dignitaries and public were invited to the dedication ceremonies of our new 22 ft. Limestone/225 hp. Honda vessel. The weather co-operated for the day, and lots of pictures were taken of the event.

June 17—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL CASE #M 1197
- At 1315 hours, BRU received a radio call of a vessel in DISTRESS near Newport Marina Reg. # 42E13412. Two persons on-board lost their propeller. Beach Rescue answer the call and provided the tow to safety.

June 18—0800 to 1600 hours:
SAR EXERCISE
- This exercise in Lake Ontario was provided by the CCGA. All SAR vessels in our District (Central and Artic) were required to participate. The object was to test performance with respect to on-water tasking.
  - Drills were as follows:
    - man overboard
    - towing
    - search patterns
    - hypothermia
    - de-briefing sessions

June 25, 26—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL
June 27—2000 to 2300 hours:
RCC TASK # M 809
- Report of assistance required by two men and one woman. Their Seadoo was unable to be restarted 2M east of the Burlington canal. Suspected hypothermia casualties. Beach Rescue responded and administered first aid and towed the Seadoo to safety.

July 1,2,3—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

July 1—2240 to 0130 hours:
RCC TASK # 0886: Burlington Fire Works Display
- A disabled vessel outside the Burlington Canal requested assistance to La Salle Park. Two adults and three children were on-board. Beach Rescue answered the call and provided the necessary tow and safety because of heavy traffic.

July 7—1430 to 1700 hours:
RCC TASK # 0996
- Telephone call from the Marine Unit advised that a vessel ran aground at Spencer Smith Park taking in water from a high swell. An elderly man and his two grandsons were on shore not knowing what to do. Beach Rescue # 161, and other BRU volunteers on shore, assessed the situation, provided the tow, and drove the stranded parties to Fishermen’s Pier. Owner was then able to contact his son at Peel Harbour to bring trailer. In the meantime, our Unit bailed out the water and made sure that all was safe. This was a combine effort from Beach Rescue of 6 volunteers.

July 9—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL
- 1355 to 1930 hours:
  During patrol outside Fishermen’s Pier (winds and 1.5 meter swells towards the rocks of Eastport Drive) a vessel anchored with motor problems approximately 50 yards away from the rocks. A family with two children requested assistance. Beach Rescue provided the tow to safety with no injury to anyone.
The family was from Lynden ON. Their first maiden voyage was an experience they won’t forget. They were very thankful that Beach Rescue was at the right place at the right time.

July 10—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL / BEACH GARAGE SALE
- 1610 to 1845 hours:
  Radio call TASK # 1069
  Report of a Bayliner vessel with motor problems and two adults and two children disoriented 1M from shore outside Fifty Point Marina. Beach Rescue searched and searched finally found them in Grimsby 3M outside Florence Marina. Beach Rescue assisted and provided the necessary tow to Fifty Point Marina.

July 16, 17—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL
July 20—2120 to 2330 hours:
ASSISTANCE
  • The Harbour Commission and the canal bridge master requested our service for a disabled vessel stranded in the canal with no power and five people on-board. Requested vessel to be towed to Pier 4. Beach Rescue complied with the request.

July 23, 24—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

July 24—2215 to 0030 hours:
TASK # 1332
  • A sail boat outside the canal with four people on-board requested a tow to Royal Hamilton Yacht Club (RHYC) with engine problems. Beach Rescue assisted, all arrived safely.

July 30, 31, August —1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

August 6, 7—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

August 7—1418 to 1510 hours:
TASK # 1597
  • Report of a 17 ft., black and white vessel with motor problems with two persons on-board, 4M east of the Burlington canal, requesting a tow to Fishermen’s Pier. Beach Rescue assisted with the tow.

August 8—1700 to 1835 hours:
TASK # 1619
  • Report of a 27 ft. Gladstone with four people on-board grounded on shore near Hutch’s restaurant with a dead battery, requesting a tow to Fishermen’s Pier. Beach Rescue assisted.

August 11—1535 to 1630 hours:
TOW
  • A cell phone call to our base from a fisherman whose vessel was disabled 3M east of Burlington Appleby line. Suspected fuel problem. Beach Rescue located the vessel and towed to Fisherman’s Pier.

August 13, 14—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

August 15—2030 to 2130 hours:
FLARE SIGHTING
  • Beach Rescue Unit pagers were activated. Flares were sighted in the bay. When Beach Rescue arrived on scene the broken down vessel was already in tow by another vessel.
August 20, 21—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

August 24—1935 to 2135 hours:
TOW
• The Beach Rescue pagers were activated from a call from 911 dispatch. There was a report of a disabled vessel aground east of Confederation Park. It was reported that a Police Constable was on shore with parties requesting assistance. Beach Rescue was on scene and towed the vessel and party to Fisherman’s Pier.

August 27—0700 to 2145 hours:
TASK # 1909 RECOVERY
• Report of missing boater from Port Credit. Reported to have went fishing early morning. Vessel was found aground in the Grimsby area with no one on board. Police were on-scene investigating. RCC in Trenton tasked Beach Rescue to do specific search patterns in Lake Ontario to find the missing boater. This was a multi-agency task force. Beach Rescue crew had to be exchanged from time to time and periods of fuel refilling were necessary. The body was never recovered that day but was found a week later washed up on shore by Pickering officials. Eight of our Rescue volunteers participated on this task.

August 28—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

September 2, 3, 4—1130 to 1800 hours:
PATROL

November 19—0830 to 1300 hours:
DISTRICT 2 MEETING
• All Unit leaders and training officers in the District attended.
  Discussion:
  Report from all unit leaders
  Future training
  Coxswain certificate
  Commercial vessel status
  OBS
  ISAR 2007

This concludes our training and response report for all calls as at Dec. 15/05
This report does not include countless hours of meetings to discuss repairs, removal, upgrades, manpower, that is regularly necessary in the preparations for the next season.

Respectfully submitted,
Chief Carlo Calligaro
Hamilton Beach Rescue Unit

[Signature]
Site Plan

Front Elevation

215# ASPHALT SHINGLES

PROPOSED STORAGE

FREEDIN SIDING TO MATCH EXISTING

12'-0" X 18'-0" OVERHEAD DOOR
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PROPOSED BOAT STORAGE
FOR
316 BEACH BOULEVARD
HAMILTON BEACH RESCUE

FLOOR AREA
1ST FLOOR = 2194
STORAGE = 145
TOTAL = 2339