Councillor Dave Braden, chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

1. Welcome from Chair

Chair Dave Braden welcomed those in attendance and advised that a previous public meeting was held last Tuesday evening, in Niagara.

The Councillors and staff introduced themselves. Chair Braden invited the members of the public in attendance to also introduce themselves. There were five in total plus Eric McGuinness of The Hamilton Spectator.
2. Overview of the Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan

Beth Goodger, Director of Waste Management, provided a brief overview of the Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan noting that it is a joint initiative of the Regional Municipality of Niagara and the City of Hamilton to work together to find a common solution for managing waste remaining in each community after diversion programs have been fully implemented. Each community has a waste diversion goal of 65% - meaning that there will be 35% remaining to manage. The planning period is over a 25 year time frame.

She explained the roles of staff indicating that Drew Berketo from Niagara and Pat Parker from Hamilton are taking the lead. Consultants have been hired to help with the Environmental Assessment (E.A.) process. The Terms of Reference for the Environmental Assessment were approved by the Minister of the Environment on February 7, 2005.

She advised those in attendance that they may browse the Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan website at www.wasteplan.ca, for additional information.

Beth Goodger explained that the study is now in stage three of a four stage process. During the third stage of the study, much of the research takes place and background documentation is developed and within step three, the Niagara-Hamilton WastePlan has outlined eight different alternative waste disposal systems and the various impacts associated with each (i.e. environmental, social, technical, economical, and legal). The system needs to be selected first before the site can be chosen. She indicated that this meeting is the second of two public meetings to receive comments from members of the public regarding the eight alternatives.

3. Outline of Procedure to Receive Delegations

Councillor Dave Braden outlined the Committee’s procedures to receive delegations and he encouraged those in attendance to express their thoughts to Committee and to also submit their comments in writing. He added that meetings will be scheduled at a later date to hear delegations from vendors.

4. Registered Speakers (with submissions in writing):

The Chair noted that there were no registered speakers.

5. Submissions in Writing:

(a) David Kenel, R.R. #2 – 365 York Road, Burlington, respecting use of old ravine on Royal Botanical Gardens Land (submission attached).

Moved by Councillor T. Rigby
Seconded by Councillor P. Bruckler

That the comments submitted by Mr. David Kenel respecting use of old ravine on Royal Botanical Gardens Land be received.

Carried
6. Speakers – Not Previously Registered

The Committee urged the members of the public to come forward and present their ideas.

(a) **Trevor Hayhurst**, 32 East 9th Street, Hamilton (submission attached.)

Mr. Hayhurst indicated that he attended the Information Meeting held in Hamilton on October 4, 2005 and he completed the Comment Sheet. He read his comments to the Committee and submitted them to the Clerk.

(b) **Gary Plewis**, 7 Donland Avenue, Grimsby (submission attached.)

Mr. Plewis advised Committee that in his opinion a landfill should be located in an isolated area, a great distance away from residents. He provided his comments in writing.

Chair Braden asked if there was anyone else who wished to address Committee or submit their written comments. No one came forward.

8. Adjournment

Councillor Dave Braden thanked everyone for taking an interest and for attending the Public Meeting. He advised that all the WastePlan meetings are open to the public and everyone is welcome to attend.

The meeting adjourned at 9:40 a.m.