Present: Frank Brodnicki, Deirdre Chartrand, May Ferguson, Carolann Fernandes, Doug Fraser, John Kennard, Virbala Kumar, Vi Morgan, June Noonan, Penelope Petrie, Bernice Price, Shirley Robinson, Carolyn Rosenthal, Ron Smithson, Bob Thomson, Marj Wahlman, Emmy Weisz, John Winslow, Bill Wright

Regrets: Lorraine Meloche, Vicki Woodcox, Councillor Morelli

Also Present: Bev Neill, Carolyn Bish – Corporate Services, Customer Service, Access & Equity
Bea McDonough – Public Health Services, Healthy Living
Councillor T. Jackson

1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS
   Bev Neill welcomed the committee members to the table. The group introduced themselves and provided some background information regarding their history and interest in the committee.

2. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA
   The following additions were made to the agenda:
   - Therapy Office Road Crossing
   - Seniors Video

   The agenda was accepted as amended.

3. DECLARATION OF INTEREST
   None declared.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
   (B. Price/V. Morgan)
   That the February 4, 2011 minutes of the Seniors Advisory Committee be approved as circulated. CARRIED.
5. BUSINESS / DISCUSSION

5.1 Review of Terms of Reference
The Terms of Reference for the Seniors Advisory Committee were reviewed. Bev Neill advised that this document could be brought back to the table at anytime should updates/revisions be required.

6. UPDATES

6.1 ACPD Transportation Subcommittee
Ron Smithson advised that there have been no meetings of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities (ACPD) Transportation Subcommittee since January 2011 as the ADPD is undergoing the selection of a new committee. Councillor Jackson advised that the selection process is about a month behind for this committee.

Ron gave a brief outline of what this subcommittee does.

6.2 Strategic Road Safety Program Subcommittee
Ron Smithson provided members with an outline and history of the Strategic Road Safety Program Subcommittee. Representation on this subcommittee consists of the City’s Public Works Department, Hamilton Police Services, School Boards and Seniors Advisory Committee.

Regarding roundabouts, Councillor Jackson advised that based on feedback received from pedestrians and cyclists, Council is taking a “step back” on the installation of roundabouts. The roundabout installed at StoneChurch Road West at Omni was a residential decision.

6.3 Heat Response Committee
Vi Morgan provided an update on the Heat Response Committee she attended on April 7, 2011.

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Selection of Chair and Vice-Chair
Bev Neill reviewed the role of the Chair and Vice Chair. Discussion followed on whether to elect the Chair and Vice Chair at this meeting or defer this decision to the June meeting. The majority of the members wanted to elect the Chair at this meeting. Nominations were received. Ron Smithson and Douglas Fraser agreed to their nominations. Ballots were distributed and the majority chose Ron Smithson as Chair.
(E. Weisz/B. Price)
(a) That Ron Smithson be appointed as Chair of the Seniors Advisory Committee for the current term of Council (2010-2014); and

(b) That the ballots be destroyed.  CARRIED

It was agreed that the election of the Vice Chair of the Seniors Advisory Committee be deferred to the June 2011 meeting.

7.2 Seniors Advisory Committee Representation
It was agreed that the selection of members to the various committees/subcommittees on which there is Seniors Advisory Committee representation be deferred to the June 2011 meeting.

7.3 Safety Video
Bev Neill provided the members with the history of the making of the Safety Video and distributed a copy to the new members.

7.4 Consent Form for Distribution of Contact Information
Consent Forms authorizing the distribution of the members contact information with other members of the Seniors Advisory Committee were distributed.

7.5 Shirley Robinson advised that there is a problem crossing Upper Sherman at Brucedale for people to go to the Therapy Centre. This intersection could use a crosswalk or pedestrian signal. Councillor Jackson advised that this intersection was approved for the installation of a pedestrian signal within the next few months.

7.6 John Winslow was asked by the Director at the YWCA to bring a couple of items to the table:
   a) wheelchair access from the tunnel at MacNab Street
   b) better lighting in the Hunter/MacNab area
   c) problems with pick-ups by DARTS

Ron Smithson advised that issues regarding DARTS should be addressed at the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities Transportation Subcommittee at which the Seniors Advisory Committee has a representative.

7.7 John Kennard inquired about getting a pedestrian crossing light installed to cross Wellington Street (at the Welton Variety Store) to get to the Central Pool and about getting white pedestrian crossing lines painted at Maplewood and Delaware. Councillor Jackson
suggested that John K. should contact Councillor Morelli as his Ward Councillor for these issues.

7.8 In response to an inquiry, committee members were advised that the minutes of all Seniors Advisory Committee meetings were available to the public once approved by the Committee.

8. **ADJOURNMENT**
The meeting adjourned at 12:03 p.m.