MINUTES
Aboriginal Advisory Committee
Thursday January 3, 2013 – 5:30 P.M.
City Hall, 71 Main St. W., Room 264

Present: Connie Bellamy, Debra Elmes, Yvonne Maracle, Marilyn Wright, Allan Loft

Also Present: Maxine Carter, Barb Smoke - City of Hamilton
Regrets: David Bentley – leave of absence, Cindy-Sue Montana-McCormack

Absent:

Chairperson: Maxine Carter/Yvonne Maracle

1. Opening.
   • M. Carter opened the meeting at 5:45 p.m.
   • A. Loft did a prayer

2. Welcome and Introductions.
   • M. Carter welcomed everyone to the meeting

3. Declaration of Interest.
   • None declared

4. Review and approval of Agenda.
   • The agenda was reviewed
   • Addition of item 8a, Idle No More
   • Addition of Item 8b, Chairperson

   **MOTION #1**
   C. Bellamy/A. Loft
   To accept the agenda, as amended.

   **CARRIED.**

5. Presentation:
   • No presentations at this time

6. Approval of minutes, November 1, 2012.
   • The Committee reviewed the minutes of November 1, 2012
MOTION #2
C. Bellamy / A. Loft
To accept the minutes of the November 1, 2012 meeting, as presented. CARRIED.

(b) Business Arising from the minutes.
- Page 2, item 7a, Karen Smith to be deferred to March
- Page 2, Motion #3, to invite J. Dupuis, to be deferred until after the Terms of Reference is finalized

7. Workshop Update:
   (a) Terms of Reference (TOR) – review of 2nd draft
   - Review of 2nd draft TOR that were submitted by Karen Smith
   - Composition of committee – M. Carter to get the number, as approved by Council
   - Committee suggested some minor changes
   - Simpler terminology to be used
   - Input from C. Montana-McCormack and D. Bentley to be submitted by January 21, 2013
   - Karen Smith will be asked to attend the February meeting to help complete the terms of reference

   (b) Work Plan – Deferred until the terms of reference are completed and approved.

   (a) Idle No More.
   - Committee members should be familiar with this issue
   - The Chair will speak on behalf of the committee should she be contacted. She will provide the media with a copy of the committee’s mandate.
   - If the media asks contacts any members of the AAC, the media should be directed to contact the Chairperson (Y. Maracle) and Y. Maracle will inform M. Carter
   - HEDAC may be in the process of getting information out to the community
   - Committee members can get more information on Facebook
   - The events have been promoted as peaceful demonstrations

   (b) Election of New Chairperson.
   - To be deferred until February
9. **Information Sharing.**
   
   (a) **Spiritual Warriors Roadway**, Wed., 6-8 pm, Feb. 6 – June 19, 2013, 678 Main St. E.
   
   - Review of enclosed flyer

   (b) **Attitudinal Healing Circles**, 12 wk course, Tues, 6-8:30 pm, Jan. 14 - Apr. 16, 2013, 678 Main St. E.
   
   - Review of enclosed flyer

10. **Next Meeting.**

    - Next meeting to be February 7, 2013

11. **Adjournment.**

    **MOTION #3**
    
    D. Elmes/C. Bellamy
    That the meeting be adjourned, at 6:55 p.m.  
    
    **CARRIED.**