MINUTES: Hamilton Historical Board
Tuesday, 16 April, 2013 – 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
Whitehern Coach House

CHAIR: Rob Hamilton

MINUTE TAKER: Christopher Redford

PRESENT: Kathy Wakeman, Christine Lei, Mary Anderson, John Nixon, Pat Saunders, Carolyn Mccann, Robin Mckee, Susanne Noordyk, James Elliott

STAFF: Ian Kerr Wilson

REGRETS: Russ Powers, Bob Williamson

GUESTS: Tom Minnes

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
That the April 2013 Agenda of the Hamilton Historical Board be approved. (Robin, Susanne - PASSED)

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST (None)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
That the March 2013 minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board be approved (Robin, Susanne - PASSED)

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS
• Robin doing cemetery tour for Councillor Powers Niagara Escarpment Commission
• Art exhibit on at McMaster Innovation Park (10-4 Monday to Friday)
• Erland Lee Grand Opening this Sunday
• Event – Saturday 9:30 – 12:30 council chambers – How do we deal with proactive on significant but not protected buildings
• Studebaker plant nearly totally demolished

4. ITEMS OF MOTION

4.1 1812 COMMEMORATIVE MOTIONS

4.1.1 Communications & Education Sub-committee
4.1.2 Editorial Team
4.1.3 Heritage Events Sub-Committee
4.1.4 Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

MOTION: That a recount be taken to record all votes as cast by board members in respect to the motion on agenda item 4.1.4 at the Hamilton Historical Board meeting on Tuesday, 19 March, 2013 (see attached minutes). (Kathy, Carolyn) (For – James, Susanne. Against: Carolyn, Mary, John, Kathy. Abstentions: Christine, Mary).

MOTION: That the text of the Sara Calder plaque be sent back to Joint Plaquing for further revision. (Robin, Kathy - PASSED)

4.2.3 Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee
4.2.4 Heritage Events Subcommittee

5. BUSINESS ITEMS

5.1. Committee Reports (5 minutes each for questions)

5.1.1. Communications & Education Sub-committee – John Nixon
- 1812 kits sent to schools now
- Historicity distribution set
- Bennetto Awards to be

Editorial Team – Christine Lei
- Finalized layout and draft for 1814 edition

5.1.2. Heritage Events Sub-Committee – Pat Saunders
- HESC George Hamilton Day planning under way – Battlefield Park

5.1.3. Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee – Robin McKee
- Tracking through texts
- Clara Hughes plaque unveiling
- 1812 Embankment
- Cemetery plaque for October

That the reports of Item 6.1 be received. (Kathy, Pat)

6.0 Questions Arising from Other Reports/Projects

6.1.0 Municipal Heritage Committee – Kathy Wakeman
- Requested that our minutes be sent to MHC
- MHC Agenda – mission and values statement on back of agenda?
- Augustus Jones property – easement sought for empty house in order to provide what protection can be had
- Heritage Conference in Huronia coming up
- University Hall window replacement proposal received

War of 1812 Bicentennial C.A.C. – Robin McKee
- No meeting
- Tall Ships and Hamilton and Scourge coming up

6.2.0 City Museums Programme Committee – Carolyn McCann

6.2.1 City Museum & Archive Sub-Committee – Rob Hamilton
- Rob meeting with Clare Crozier re. Dundas Archives – re. virtual museum.
- Three summer interns this summer at Dundas Museum

That the reports of Item 6.2 be received. (Pat, Carolyn)

6.3.0 Questions Arising from Museum Reports (5 minutes each for questions)
6.3.1 Battlefield House Museum & Park – Kathy Wakeman

6.3.2 Hamilton Children’s Museum - Carolyn McCann
- School programmes still down in terms of numbers. New exhibit on 'lights camera action'

6.3.3 Dundurn National Historic Site – Pat Saunders
- Incomplete report – lacking stats

6.3.4 Hamilton Military Museum – Christine Lei
- Increase in attendance
- Mike McAllister is now moved on to Steam and Tech

6.3.5 Fieldcote Memorial Park & Museum – Christopher Redford

6.3.6 Griffin House – Robin McKee
- Obtaining quotes for new exhibit

6.3.7 Hamilton Museum of Steam & Technology – Kathy Wakeman
- Needs to meet with Debra Seabrook
- Mike McAllister is now moved on to Steam and Tech

6.3.8 Whitehern Historic House & Garden – Mary Anderson
- Been in touch re. HMS St Lawrence and McQuesten.

That the reports of Item 6.3 be received (Susanne, Christine - PASSED)

7 Other HHB Business
7.1 Grounds Use Requests ()
- That the reports of all items be received ()

8 New Business

9 Adjournment (Robin, Pat - passed)
Next Meeting: May 21, 2013 – Lister Building Basement, 12:30 -2:30pm.