Mayor Eisenberger called the meeting to order.

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Clerk noted the following changes to the agenda:
Added Report of the Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee noted as Item 8.5
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Added Report of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors noted as 8.6

Added Private and Confidential matter which requires legal advice on the Biedermann Fire noted as 10.2

(Whitehead/Mitchell)
That the agenda be adopted as amended. CARRIED.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 May 12, 2008

(McCarthy/Ferguson)
That the Minutes of May 12, 2008 be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

4. ANNOUNCEMENTS

4.1 Allie Robinson and Kevin Lewis, Deputy Mayors for the month of June

The Mayor welcomed the two Deputy Mayors for the Month of June, Allie Robinson of Mount Hope School, Grade 5 and Kevin Lewis, Bellmoore School in Grade 7.

5. CONSENT ITEMS

(Whitehead/Ferguson)
That consent Items Items 5.1 to 5.3 be received.

5.1 Minutes of the March 11, 2008 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

5.2 Minutes of the April 8, 2008 meeting of the Advisory Committee for Persons with Disabilities

5.3 Minutes of the November 8, 2008 Facility Naming Sub-Committee CARRIED.
6. DELEGATION REQUESTS

None

7. DELEGATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

7.1 Presentation by Judith Bishop, Chair of the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board to present the Board's Capital Plan (no copy)

A delegation consisting of Judith Bishop, Chair, Dr. Chris Spence, Director, Daryl Sage, Don Grant and Lucy Veerman were in attendance for the presentation.

The presentation included highlights of the following in the Capital Plan:
- Aggressive Accommodation Revitalization
  - Opening of new schools
  - Growth Areas
- City Board Relations
- Pupil Accommodation Review Policy
- Property Disposition Protocol
- Land Transactions
- Community use of schools
- Education centre project
- HWDSB business plan

(Pearson/Ferguson)
That the presentation be received. CARRIED.

7.2 Presentation by John Spatazzo, CYO respecting Marydale Park

The following members representing the CYO were in attendance:

John Spatazza, C.Y.O. Executive Director
Tony De Luca, C.Y.O. President, Board of Directors and Marydale Park Campaign Chair
Matt Zolwak, Physical Education Teacher and football coach at Cardinal Newman High School in Hamilton
James Webb, MCIP, RPP - WEBB Planning Consultants Inc.

James Webb and John Spatazza provided an overview of the project including highlights of the following:
- First barrier free outdoor recreation centre
- Access to trails, accessible pools, paved trails,
91,000 Hamiltonians living with disabilities will be able to access the park
- Update on the fund raising campaign
- 2 planning approvals required by the City of Hamilton – site plan approval and approval for minor variance from committee of adjustment, relief from zoning by-law
- require access to Chippewa road
- March 2009 ground breaking

(Clark/Mitchell)
That staff be directed to report back on any fees left to be paid for this project and process for waiving of possible fees.

CARRIED.

7.3 Submission and Presentation by David Speers, Opera Hamilton to provide update to Committee

David Speers of Opera Hamilton provided a status update on the financial situation of Opera Hamilton including a plan for the deficit elimination and business plan

(Powers/McHattie)
(a) That the presentation and submissions by Opera Hamilton be received;
(b) That staff be directed to release and forward the Opera Hamilton 2008 budgeted grant in the amount of $122,000 directly to HECFI to cover the deposit for the Magic Flute Production.

CARRIED.

7.4 City of Hamilton’s Participation in Katimavik Project (ECS08028) (City Wide)

Joe-Anne Priel introduced David Gick who provided an overview of the Katimavik Project. Highlights included:
- A non-profit organization
- A national youth volunteer service program for youth 17-21 from across Canada that lasts nine months
- Katimavik is a leading national youth volunteer-service program which fosters the personal development of our nation’s young people through a challenging program of volunteer community work, training and group interaction
- Examples of projects that could be realized in the community
- Benefits to the community
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- 2008-2009 program dates – September 17, 2008 to June 17, 2009 – Hamilton start date; September 24, 2008 to June 24, 2009; October 15, 2008 to July 15, 2009; October 22, 2008 to July 22, 2009

(Powers/Whitehead)

(a) That Report ECS08028 respecting Katimavik’s request for participation be received.

(b) That the participation of the City of Hamilton in a Katimavik Project be endorsed.  CARRIED.

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8.1 Firefighter Recruitment Process (HES08002) (City Wide)

(McCarthy/Clark)
That Report HES08002 respecting Firefighter Recruitment Process be received.  CARRIED.

8.2 Changes to Alcohol Legislation for Driving (BOH08008/PW08037) (Whitehead/Clark)

(a) That the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Transportation of the Province of Ontario be requested to expedite the implementation of changes in the Administrative Drivers Licence Suspension, under the Safer Roads for a Safer Ontario Act (2007) and be asked to carefully monitor, evaluate and report on the effects of these changes.

(b) That the Prime Minister and the federal Minister of Transportation be requested to initiate a formal Committee review and update of the conclusions of the 1999 House of Commons Standing Committee on Justice and Human Rights regarding drinking and driving and the Criminal Code, with specific emphasis on a reduction in the Blood Alcohol Concentration (BAC) limit and with a goal of meeting the targets of the Canadian Council of Motor Transport Administrators Strategy to Reduce Impaired Driving 2010 (STRID 2010).  CARRIED.

8.3(a) Terms of Reference for Council’s Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Jobs Prosperity Collaborative of Hamilton Update - Revised (PED08102(a)) (City Wide)

Tim McCabe provided an overview of the revised report.
(Whitehead/Clark)
That Tim Dobbie be allowed to address committee. CARRIED.

(Powers/Pearson)
That the defined purpose / mandate, reporting relationship, structure and membership of Council’s new Economic Development Advisory Committee, as set out in Report PED08102(a), be approved. CARRIED.

8.3(b) Terms of Reference for Council’s Economic Development Advisory Committee and the Jobs Prosperity Collaborative of Hamilton Update (PED08102) (City Wide)
(Powers/Pearson)
That Report PED08102 be received. CARRIED.

8.4 Hamilton Renewable Power Inc. Report 08-001
(Mitchell/Whitehead)
(a) Appointment of Board of Directors

That the following elected representatives be appointed as voting directors of the Hamilton Renewable Power Inc. (HRPI) Corporation Board of Directors to hold office until the next Annual General Meeting or until their respective successors are appointed.

i) Councillor Brad Clark
ii) Councillor Scott Duvall
iii) Mayor Fred Eisenberger
iv) Councillor Lloyd Ferguson
v) Councillor David Mitchell

(b) Appointment of Non-voting Directors

That Scott Stewart, General Manager of Public Works, be appointed as a non-voting director of the HRPI Corporation Board of Directors until the next Annual General Meeting or until their respective successors are appointed.

(c) 2007 Audited Financial Statements

That the 2007 Audited Financial Statements of HRPI, be approved.

(d) Appointment of External Auditor
That Hamilton Renewable Power Inc. appoints the same external auditor as the City Of Hamilton for 2008, thus being Grant Thornton.  CARRIED.

8.5 Accountability and Transparency Sub-Committee Report 08-003 - By-law respecting the Integrity Commissioner
(McHattie/Merulla)
That the revised By-law as further amended by Committee of the Whole respecting the Integrity Commissioner, attached hereto as Appendix A, be forwarded to Council, for approval.

(Merulla/McHattie) – call the question.  DEFEATED.

(Morelli/Merulla)
That a provision for the position of the integrity commissioner be that the individual should be a retired member of the bench.
AMENDMENT CARRIED.

(Whitehead/Pearson)
Section 13 – be amended from 180 days to be six weeks.
AMENDMENT CARRIED.
MOTION AS AMENDED CARRIED.

The following areas of the by-law were further addressed by members of Committee:

Councillor Whitehead suggested the reinstituting of section 12. Councillor Clark provided further clarification to this matter, and subsequently Councillor Whitehead did not put an amendment forward.

Councillor Mitchell spoke to Section 24(e) which spoke to the rules or policies governing the member’s ethical behaviour and suggested that they all be listed. The Mayor advised that the next issue to be addressed by the committee will be Code of Conduct and that will be a topic of discussion.

Councillor Clark noted his oppositions to Sections 12.1 (2) and (3) and (4) and Section 32.1 and 32.2
8.6 Added Report of the Hamilton Future Fund Board of Governors 08-001
(McHattie/Merulla)
Re-allocation of Business Tax Reduction to Rent Supplement Program

That $1 Million of the $2.3 million allocated to the Business Tax Reduction (Hamilton Future Fund) be reallocated to a rent supplement program. CARRIED.

9. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

9.1 Closed Session Minutes of May 12, 2008
(Powers/Whitehead)
That the Closed Session Minutes of May 12, 2008 be adopted as presented and not released as a public document CARRIED.

(Collins/Clark)
That Committee move into closed session to receive legal advice on the Biedermann Fire. CARRIED.

(Clark/Collins)
That Committee reconvened in Open Session at 1:00 p.m. CARRIED.

There was no public recommendation resulting from the closed session meeting.

10. MOTIONS

None

11. NOTICES OF MOTION

None

12. CAPITAL PRIORITY SESSION – 1:00 P.M.

(McHattie/Merulla)
That the following Capital Projects be approved as follows:

(a) Beasley Neighbourhood - $3 million
   - Community Centre ($2 million)
   - Park Improvements and Clean-up ($1 million)
(b) Housing in the Core – $1 million

(c) Waterfront Redevelopment and Regeneration - $3 million
   - Restaurant
   - Skating Rink
   - Pier 8

(d) Senior Residence/Recreation Centre (Youth) $300,000
   - Feasibility Study
   - Services, program and facilities review

(e) Hammill House - $500,000
   - Capital; agreement house Ancaster Minor Sport Associations

(f) Gateways - (QEW and Fifty Road) $200,000
   - Feasibility Study CARRIED.

(Whitehead/Merulla)
Add Auchmar to the list of special projects. DEFEATED

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger

M. Gallagher, Co-ordinator
Council, Committee of the Whole
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