Present: Councillors R. Pasuta (1st Vice Chair), S. Merulla (2nd Vice Chair), T. Jackson, M. McCarthy, B. McHattie and B. Morelli

Absent with Regrets: Councillor S. Duvall (Chair) – Vacation

Also Present: Councillor B. Bratina
J. Priel, General Manager, Community Services
J. Kay, General Manager/Chief, Hamilton Emergency Services
B. Browett, Director, Emergency Medical Services / Deputy
A. Bradford, Director, Culture
J. Soldera, Director, Social Development & Early Childhood Services
S. Paparella, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk’s Office

THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO CITY COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Hamilton Veteran’s Committee (Item 5.1)

(McCarthy/Merulla)
That Councillor B. Bratina be appointed to the Hamilton Veteran’s Committee. CARRIED
2. **Mobile Data Terminals for Hamilton Emergency Services - Fire (HES09007) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

*(McCarthy/Jackson)*

(a) That Intergraph’s Suite of software for Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) is approved, as the City of Hamilton’s standard to provide an end-to-end integrated dispatch solution for Fire Services, for a period of five (5) years (2009 through to 2014).

(b) That Motorola’s line of rugged mobile computers is approved, as the City of Hamilton’s standard for mobile data terminals (MDT) hardware in all Fire Service vehicles and for handheld operation, for a period of five (5) years (2009 through to 2014).

**CARRIED**

3. **Standardization of Ventilation and Rescue Saws, Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus (SCBA) and Vehicle Exhaust Extraction Systems (HES09003) (City Wide) (Item 5.3)**

*(McCarthy/Jackson)*

(a) That Cutters Edge, a division of Edge Industries Incorporated, be the approved manufacturer’s standard for a period of four (4) years (2009 through to 2012) for the single source purchase of ventilation and rescue saws.

(b) That Scott Aviation be the approved manufacturer’s standard for providing firefighting self contained breathing apparatus (SCBA) for a four (4) year period (2009 through to 2012).

(c) That Nederman Canada be the approved manufacturer’s standard for providing vehicle exhaust extraction systems for a four (4) year period (2009 through to 2012).

(d) That staff be authorized to negotiate “house accounts” with: (a) Cutters Edge, a division of Edge Industries Incorporated; (b) Scott Aviation; and, (c) Nederman Canada for the supply of new equipment, parts, repair and maintenance services with original equipment manufacturers and/or licensed distributors of the approved standardized products.

**CARRIED**

4. **Standardization of Emergency Response Support Vehicles (HES09008) (City Wide) (Item 5.4)**

*(McCarthy/Jackson)*

That the Ford Expedition Max Special Services Sport Utility Vehicle (SUV) 4X4 vehicle, manufactured by the Ford Motor Company, be approved as the City’s
standard for the Hamilton Emergency Services – Fire, emergency response support vehicles and that this standard be for a period of four (4) years (2009 through to 2012).

CARRIED

5. Participation of Arts Hamilton in the Arts and Artists Forum (AAC 09-002) (City Wide) (Item 5.5)

(McCarthy/Jackson)
That Report 09-002 - Participation of Arts Hamilton in the Arts and Artists Forum, be received for information.

CARRIED

6. Lynn Aquin, on behalf of the Campaign for Adequate Welfare, requesting support from Council respecting the continuing Clawback to OW and ODSP (Item 6.1)

(Merulla/McHattie)
(a) That the Mayor correspond, on behalf the city’s most vulnerable citizens, with the Honourable Madeleine Meilleur, Minister of Community and Social Services, to compel the Province to restore the Basic Needs portion of social assistance payments to a minimum of the levels, prior to the introduction of the Ontario Child Benefit; and,

(b) That City of Hamilton strongly endorses the concept of a Guaranteed Annual Income benefit.

CARRIED

7. Hamilton Historical Board Annual Presentation (Item 7.1)

(McCarthy/Jackson)
That the Hamilton Historical Board’s Annual presentation to the Emergency & Community Services Committee be received.

CARRIED

8. Hamilton Historical Board Report 09-002 – Hatt (Red) Mill Commemorative Plaque (Report 09-002(HHB)) (Ward 12) (Item 8.1)

(Jackson/McCarthy)
That the wording for the Hatt (Red) Mill commemorative plaque, hereto attached and marked as Appendix A to Report 09-002(HHB), be approved.

CARRIED
9. Hamilton Historical Board Report 09-004 – Rymal Family Heritage Commemorative Plaque (Item 8.2)

(Jackson/McCarthy)
That the wording for the Rymal Family Heritage commemorative plaque, attached as Appendix A to Report 09-004(HHB), be approved.

CARRIED

10. Continuation of Best Start Funding (CS09042(c)) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(McCarthy/McHattie)
(a) That the Action Plan to mitigate the potential loss of Best Start Funding in 2010, as detailed in Appendix A to Report CS09042(c), be approved.

(b) That item “AA” - Best Start–Final Action Plan, be considered complete and removed from the Emergency and Community Services Committee’s Outstanding Business List.

(c) That Item “BB” - Best Start-Transition Plan, be considered complete and removed from the Emergency and Community Services Committee’s Outstanding Business List.

CARRIED

11. Donating Used Ambulances to Not-for-profit Organizations (HES09005) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

(McHattie/Merulla)
(a) That the donation of a used ambulance, in “as is condition”, to St. John’s Ambulance, be approved.

(b) That the donation of a used ambulance in, “as is condition”, to the Society of the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA), be approved.

(c) That the donation of a used ambulance in, “as is condition”, to the Hamilton Beach Rescue, be approved.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COMMITTEE:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Committee Clerk advised of the following change to the agenda:
(i) Added as Item 5.5 – Arts Advisory Commission Report 09-002 respecting the Participation of Arts Hamilton in the Arts and Artists Forum

(ii) An additional handout to go with Item 6.1 – Lynn Aquin, on behalf of the Campaign for Adequate Welfare.

(McCarthy/Jackson)
That the agenda for the October 21, 2009 meeting of the Emergency & Community Services Committee be approved, as amended.
CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

There were none declared.

(c) APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)

3.1 October 7, 2009

(McCarthy/McHattie)
That the Minutes of the October 7, 2009 meeting of the Emergency & Community Services Committee be approved, as presented.
CARRIED

(d) Minutes of Various Advisory Committees (Items 5.1)

(McCarthy/Jackson)
That the following Advisory Committee Minutes be received:

(i) Hamilton Veteran’s Committee Minutes, dated July 29, 2009
CARRIED

(e) Hamilton Historical Board Report 09-003 – August Civic Holiday (Item 7.2)

(Jackson/McCarthy)
That the Hamilton Historical Board Report 09-003 be received and referred to staff to investigate the costs and feasibility associated with the proposed recommendations, respecting the August Civic Holiday, and report back to the Emergency & Community Services Committee.
CARRIED
(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Merulla/Jackson)
There being no further business, the Emergency & Community Services Committee meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor R. Pasuta, 1st Vice Chair
Emergency & Community Services Committee

Stephanie Paparella
Legislative Assistant
October 21, 2009