Clean City Liaison Committee

MINUTES

Wednesday, June 20, 2012
5:00 p.m.
Room 193, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present:        John Hawker
                Clr. Chad Collins
                Larry Husack
                Shane Ormerod
                Ron Speranzini
                Bruce Thomson
                Phil Homerski (Staff Liaison)

Regrets:        Krysta Boyer
                Marisa Di Censo
                Othello Inniss
                Clr. Tom Jackson

Guests:         Kelly Barnett - Municipal Law Enforcement
                R. Rodrigues – Observer

As this was the first meeting of the newly appointed citizen members for the remainder of the 2010-2014 term of the Clean City Liaison Committee, the members were welcomed by the Staff Liaison and introduced themselves. Staff Liaison P. Homerski informed the committee that the appointments of one Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board representative and two Business representatives (to be appointed by the Chambers of Commerce), are expected to be completed by the fall. Suggestions to fill the vacancy for the Youth representative were requested.

1. **Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair**
   
   *That Ron Speranzini be appointed Chair of the Clean City Liaison Committee.*

   HAWKER/COLLINS  CARRIED

   *That John Hawker and Larry Husack be appointed 1st Vice Chair and 2nd Vice Chair respectively of the Clean City Liaison Committee.*

   COLLINS/THOMSON  CARRIED
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2. Approval of Agenda
   That the agenda be accepted as written.
   HUSACK/COLLINS CARRIED

3. Declarations of Interest
   There were no declarations of interest.

4. Minutes of Previous Meetings
   4.1 Approval – Minutes of May 16 Meeting
   That the minutes of the May 16, 2012 meeting of the Clean City Liaison Committee be accepted as written.
   HAWKER/SPERANZINI CARRIED

5. Discussion Items
   5.1 Clean City Liaison Committee 2012 Work Plan
   P. Homerski reviewed the strategic objectives as outlined in the Clean City Liaison Committee’s 2012 budget submission:
   - Support and promote litter remediation through sponsorship of the Team Up to Clean Up spring event.
   - Support and promote illegal dump site remediation through sponsorship of one Railway Neighbourhood Clean & Safe project clean up event.
   - Encourage volunteerism through the promotion and support of graffiti remediation, litter remediation, illegal dumping remediation and beautification programs operating in the City of Hamilton.
   - Support programs and initiatives aimed at the prevention of littering and illegal dumping through the facilitation of community stakeholder engagement.
   - Engage Hamilton business owners in developing waste diversion and beautification programs that support the City’s diversion and beautification goals and objectives.
   It was noted that the budget also includes a subsidy to present a Clean & Green Business Workshop to fulfill the last objective. The members suggested that the Business Workshop be an item for discussion at the next meeting.
   K. Barnett suggested that the committee consider a public forum on graffiti. Further discussion on the Clean
City Liaison Committee’s role in graffiti management will be tabled for future discussion on the committee’s 2013 work plan.

6. Keep Hamilton Beautiful (KAB)
   6.1 Update
   P. Homerski provided the new members with an overview of the CCLC’s affiliation with the Keep America Beautiful organization. He indicated that CCLC/Keep Hamilton Beautiful was successful in securing three Keep America Beautiful grants this year, two of which assisted local partner non-profit organizations to fund beautification projects and the third provided 40 containers that will be used for recycling at festivals and special events. More information about Keep America Beautiful is available at www.kab.org.

7. Staff and Stakeholder Reports
   7.1 City Departments
   Operations & Waste Management
   P. Homerski provided committee members with a copy of Information Report PW11052c – Clean City Strategy 2012 Work Plan Spring Update which was received by the General Issue Committee on June 20, 2012. In July 2011, Council had directed staff to develop annual work plans for the Clean City Strategy and to provide semi-annual progress reports.

   Municipal Law Enforcement
   K. Barnett reported that her division is continuing its work on managing graffiti complaints and is involved in graffiti management projects in some east Mountain and lower City neighbourhoods. She also indicated that Municipal Law Enforcement is currently undertaking an illegal dumping blitz on hot spots that were identified by City Councillors. The blitz also includes illegal dumping on CN Rail property in partnership with CN Police.

   Hamilton Police Service
   No report.

7.2 Other Public
   There were no public delegation requests.
8. Other Business and General Information

8.1 Clean City Strategy Review
P. Homerski reported that, as a result of a recommendation in the 2012 Clean City Work Plan, staff was assembling a working group to assist in the review of the 2007 Clean City Strategy. Representatives from Environment Hamilton, Green Venture and the Clean City Liaison Committee are being sought to meet two or three times over the next few months. John Hawker and Bruce Thomson volunteered to participate on CCLC’s behalf.

8.2 Orientation Session and meeting schedule
P. Homerski recommended that an orientation session for all CCLC members be coordinated as soon as possible. A half-day session would include an overview of the Clean City Strategy, Keep America Beautiful affiliation requirements and opportunities, City clean and green programs and 2013 CCLC work plan development. P. Homerski will e-mail a request for member’s availability.

Monthly CCLC meetings will take place on the third Tuesday of the month at 5:00 pm starting in July. Due to vacations, there will be no August meeting.

9. Adjournment
Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 pm.

The next meeting of the Clean City Liaison Committee will take place Tuesday, July 17, 2012 at 5:00 pm, Room 192, Hamilton City Hall.