MINUTES: Seniors Advisory Committee
Friday, July 4, 2008 – 10:00 a.m.
Room 207, Hamilton Convention Centre

PRESENT: Carolann Fernandes, Thelma McGillivray, Lorraine Meloche,
Vi Morgan, Bernice Price Shirley Robinson, Mary Sinclair,
Ron Smithson, Ly Minh Trinh

REGRETS: Lisa Campbell, Margot Kirkpatrick, Councillor Tom Jackson

Also Present: Bev Neill, Carolyn Bish – Corporate Services
Maureen Harmer, Colleen Stahlbrand – Public Health Services
Vicki Woodcox – Community Services

1. ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA
The agenda was accepted as circulated.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST
None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(Price/Sinclair)
That the June 6, 2008 minutes of the Seniors Advisory Committee be
approved as circulated. CARRIED.

4. CONSENT ITEMS
There were no items for consent.

5. DISCUSSION

5.1 Input to the Equity and Inclusion Policy
The Committee welcomed Maureen Brown from Diversity Trainers Plus
and Maxine Carter from the Customer Service, Access & Equity
Division who attended to obtain the committee’s input into the
development of the City of Hamilton’s Equity and Inclusion Policy.
Committee members filled out a questionnaire that was distributed by
Ms. Brown and then provided their comments.
5.2 Rolling Out “Heads Up” Video
Bev Neill reviewed the budget to date for this project. Discussion followed on the number of copies that should be ordered. It was suggested that the cover contain a warning regarding photosensitive epilepsy. It was suggested that a subcommittee be established to develop a communications plan for rolling out the video. The Seniors Advisory Committee is presenting to the Emergency and Community Services Committee in September. The video will be shown there. Ron Smithson will draft a letter to the school boards so that they can fit this into their curriculum.

6. NEW BUSINESS

Vicki Woodcox informed the committee that there are many projects with funding available that the committee could “piggyback”.

Request received from the Council of Ageing. They would like to come to a meeting in the fall regarding Ageing in Place.

Thelma McGillivray requested that 2 papers be distributed to members.

Renaming of Henderson Hospital. Should committee respond to this issue?

Elder abuse is an issue/project that the committee may want to undertake.

7. ADJOURNMENT
The meeting adjourned at 12:00 p.m.