AGENDA: Hamilton Historical Board
Tuesday, 15 October, 2013 – 12:30 pm – 2:30 pm
Lister Block Basement Meeting Room

CHAIR: Rob Hamilton  
MINUTE TAKER: Lee-Anne Dantzer

PRESENT: Bob Williamson, John Nixon, Mary Anderson, Pat Saunders, Carolyn McCann, Susanne Noordyk, Robin McKee
STAFF: Ken Heaman  
REGRETS: Christine Lei, Christopher Redford, Ian Kerr-Wilson

GUESTS:

APPROVAL OF AGENDA
That the October Agenda of the Hamilton Historical Board be approved. (Pat, Carolyn)

1. DECLARATION OF INTEREST (none)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES
That the September 2013 minutes of the Hamilton Historical Board be approved (Carolyn, Susanne)

3. ANNOUNCEMENTS
   • John: Pat recognized for Lifetime Achievement award, Robin awarded for work on Beach Strip Canal Light House (group award) - from Ontario Heritage Trust Awards.
   • Carolyn: Interest re-starting the Friends of Children’s Museum.
   • Rob: War Museum in Ottawa- Peace Exhibit visit. Hamilton Spectator donation of clippings in the War Museum collection.
   • Mary: letter to editor on Sesquicentennial in Saturday’s paper. Mary will look into what is happening with committee.
   • Robin: Oct 17- Auchmar AGM, Neighbour to Neighbour @ 5pm/ Oct 22- Star Plaque unveiling at Star @7pm/ Oct 24- David Faux DNA, UEL @7:30pm/ Oct 25- Robin McKee at the Ireland House for Stories in the Stones @8pm/ Nov 2- Robin McKee speaks on Steel City Stories, Brushes with Greatness at Christ Church @7pm/ Nov 8- HOTL, John Nixon @7:30pm/ Nov 11- Robin McKee talks on Durand Home @3pm/Nov 11- Westdale Plaque Unveiling.
   • All:
     o Liaison expectations to be a special voice of HHB with knowledge of items not in the report.
     o Curator reports should be two pages, anything extra should be separate. Rob to speak with Ian.
     o Appointment of Susanne to take liaison of Fieldcote, Bob to take Steam, Christopher to do Battlefield for Cathy Wakeman, for duration of the year.

4. ITEMS OF MOTION
   4.1.1 Communications & Education Sub-committee
Motion: That Civic Museum Monthly Reports list the name of the HHB member who is the volunteer liaison between the Museum and the HHB. (Pat, Mary, unanimously PASSED)
   o Example on page 13 of agenda package.
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4.1.2 Editorial Team
4.1.3 Heritage Events Sub-Committee
4.1.4 Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee

4.2 OTHER ITEMS OF MOTION
4.2.1 Communications & Education Sub-Committee
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4.2.3 Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee
4.2.4 Heritage Events Subcommittee


6. BUSINESS ITEMS

6.1. Committee Reports (5 minutes each for questions)

6.1.1. Communications & Education Sub-committee – John Nixon
- Historicity- relationship with historical societies, receive copies and highlight what HHB does (elections).
- Public school board update for sending electronically- awards.
- HHB website- from old to new format, now review (add delete update).

6.1.2. Editorial Team – Christine Lei
- Most articles are in, by start of January should be complete.
- Criteria for stories- must have Hamilton connection. 2014- Back to telling stories about Hamilton, focus on personalities. History, not Military, 1814 and 1914.
- Social impact of war on life in Hamilton.
- Hamilton public library- have Margaret Houghton speak. How readers can research information. Build bridges with public library.

6.1.3. Heritage Events Sub-Committee – Pat Saunders
- George Hamilton Day- attendance of City Council. Celebrate this year on Friday to be discussed. Expansion of the day- not able to spend any more money. Connecting with other communities, Pat will report back.
- Bailey Award- notifications made nominations come to Christopher.
- Rob/Mary to speak to the Spectator re: online vote, write up in the Spectator on nominees.
- Reader’s choice awards.

6.1.4. Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee – Robin McKee
That the reports of Item 6.1 be received. (Carolyn, Pat, PASSED)
- No meeting, but there was a discussion
- Star unveiling Oct. 22, 7pm
- Nov 11- Westdale unveiling of Cenotaph at church.
- Brock Stepped Here- plaque unveiled at Queen Victoria School.
- Burlington Races- unveiled plaque at lighthouse
- Henderson plaque close to in ground
- The Electric City- new pedestal
- Bruce plaque ready
- West Hamilton Cenotaph plaque ready

6.2. Questions Arising from Other Reports/Projects
(5 minutes each for questions)

6.2.1. Municipal Heritage Committee –

6.2.2. War of 1812 Bicentennial C.A.C. – Robin McKee
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6.2.3. City Museums Programme Committee – Carolyn McCann  
- No meeting

6.2.4. City Museum & Archive Sub-Committee – Rob Hamilton  
- Planning of expansion for Fieldcote (page 26) only learned of this in the newsletter. Would have liked to have heard about this earlier.
That the reports of Item 6.2 be received. (Carolyn, Pat, PASSED)

6.3. Questions Arising from Museum Reports (5 minutes each for questions)

6.3.1. Battlefield House Museum & Park – Rob Hamilton

6.3.2. Hamilton Children’s Museum - Carolyn McCann

6.3.3. Dundurn National Historic Site – Pat Saunders  
- Water closet (pictures)
- Picture of tunnel- looking into sending camera in.

6.3.4. Hamilton Military Museum – Christine Lei

6.3.5. Fieldcote Memorial Park & Museum – Christopher Redford

6.3.6. Griffin House – Robin McKee

6.3.7. Hamilton Museum of Steam & Technology – Rob Hamilton

6.3.8. Whitehern Historic House & Garden – Mary Anderson
That the reports of Item 6.3 be received ()

7. Other HHB Business

7.1 Grounds Use Requests  
That the reports of all items be received ()

8. New Business

9. Adjournment (all)

Next Meeting: November 19, 2013- Lister Basement Meeting Room