Tuesday, December 11, 2012
5:00 p.m.
Room 830, Hamilton City Hall
71 Main Street West, Hamilton

Present: Larry Husack – Chair
John Hawker – Vice Chair
Krysta Boyer
Marisa Di Censo
Shane Ormerod
Ron Speranzini
Scott Sincerbox
Bruce Thomson
Krystal Valencia
Allyson Wenzowski
Phil Homerski (Staff Liaison)

Regrets: Cir. Chad Collins
Cir. Tom Jackson

Guests: Kim Dunlop – Presenter
Virginia Stonehouse – Presenter
Clare Wagner – Presenter

1. Welcome and Introductions
Scott Sincerbox was welcomed as the Hamilton-Wentworth District School Board to the CCLC. Mr. Sincerbox is Superintendent of Education (North) for the Public School Board.

Kim Dunlop and Clare Wagner of the Hamilton Community Gardens Network and Virginia Stonehouse of Green Venture were welcomed as presenters for agenda item 6.1.

2. Approval of Agenda
Item - 10.4 CCLC Recognition Program was added to the agenda.

That the agenda be accepted as amended. CARRIED
SPERANZINI/DI CENSO
3. **Declarations of Interest**
None.

4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting**

4.1 **Minutes of October 16 Meeting**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

*That the minutes of the November 20, 2012 meeting of the Clean City Liaison Committee be accepted as written.*

**HAWKER/THOMSON**

CARRIED

5. **Consent Items**

None.

6. **Presentations**

6.1 **KAB 2012 Grants Reports**
P. Homerski introduced the presenters and indicated that the purpose of the presentations was to provide CCLC members with a report on the two projects that were supported by Keep America Beautiful (KAB) grants. The two grants of $5,000 each were facilitated by the CCLC through its affiliation with KAB.

**KAB/Lowe’s Grant – Davis Creek Cleanup**
Virginia Stonehouse presented the Davis Creek Cleanup project as a community-building initiative that, through a debris cleanup and waste audit, hoped to inspire the surrounding community to take pride in Davis Creek and work together to ensure it is well maintained. The October 13, 2012 event was offered in conjunction with Green Venture’s Open House and My Green Adventures event. More than 19 volunteers invested 57 hours of time to remove 40 bags of garbage (147 kg) from open areas along Davis Creek and roadsides of Quigley Road. Virginia provided results of a waste audit and litter scan of the 10 sub-areas that were part of the project. Recommendations included making the results public, review opportunities for more recycling and waste containers, provide more Green Venture pet waste composting workshops and promote litterless lunches and reusable water bottles in schools. CCLC members
suggested repeating the waste audit/litter scan in 2013 to measure the success of prevention strategies.

**KAB/UPS Grant – Small Space Gardening Project**
Kim Dunlop and Clare Wagner presented the Small Space Gardening Project as an opportunity to empower residents of the high density urban core to grow their own food. In partnership with Volunteer Hamilton, the Hamilton Community Gardens Network (HCGN) held workshops and created a rooftop demonstration garden to teach people how to grow on decks, balconies and rooftops. Three free workshops were held introducing 36 people to vertical gardening. All the participants took plants home and started small gardens. Four handouts on container gardening were created and are available on the Green Venture Blog. The presenters suggested that the same workshops could be delivered with minimal time input but the program should be started earlier. They also suggested connecting with community groups so that the workshops can be presented in different neighbourhoods or in apartment buildings.

_That the presentations be received and reported to Keep America Beautiful as required._

BOYER/SPERANZINI CARRIED

7. **Discussion Items**
None.

8. **Focus Area Updates**
   8.1 **Litter Prevention**
   L. Husack noted that he, J. Hawker and K. Boyer would be joined by P. Homerski and H. McGuire (Public Health Services) in a meeting with Hamilton Health Sciences/St. Joseph’s Healthcare staff on December 19 regarding a hospitals cigarette litter prevention program.

   8.2 **Illegal Dumping Prevention**
P. Homerski indicated that staff is continuing to refine and analyze data on illegal dumping. Committee members requested information on the public uptake of Amnesty Days in 2012 and illegal dumping complaints during the same period.
8.3 Graffiti Management
P. Homerski informed members that the request for a $50,000 capital expenditure for the development of a graffiti management program had been received at the December 10 GIC meeting.

K. Boyer presented a draft work plan for the proposed youth graffiti forums. The Youth Graffiti Forums Working Group met on December 4 to begin planning of the forums. K. Boyer indicated that the forums were a data gathering exercise with the purpose of opening up dialogue with involved youth and to validate the assumptions on graffiti behaviour. It was suggested that the Working Group attempt to meet again before the holiday break.

That the draft work plan be referred back to the Youth Graffiti Forums Working Group for further development and ratification at the January 15, 2013 CCLC meeting.

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8.4 Beautification and Greening
P. Homerski reported that Greg Lenko has provided basic maps of the six cleanup areas and is continuing to advise Mr. Lenko on the development of detailed plans for data gathering, volunteer registration and safety training.

9. Keep Hamilton Beautiful (Keep America Beautiful)
9.1 2012 Community Appearance Index
P. Homerski indicated that, due to holidays and time constraints, the Community Appearance Index Working Group would be convening in the New Year.

10. Other Business and General Information
10.1 EcoNet/Act Locally Membership
At J. Hawker’s request, this item was deferred to the January meeting.

10.2 CCLC Work Plan Update
At P. Homerski’s request, this item was deferred to the January meeting.
10.3 **2013 Meeting Dates**
CCLC monthly meetings will continue to take place on the third Tuesday of the month in 2013. At the request of the City Clerks Office, there will be no meetings in August. P. Homerski will provide members with a schedule of meetings.

10.4 **CCLC Recognition Program**
L. Husack indicated that the Recognition Program Working Group would convene in the New Year.

11. **Adjournment**
Meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm. The next meeting of the Clean City Liaison Committee will take place Tuesday, January 15, 2013 at 5:00 pm, Room 830, Hamilton City Hall.