



Hamilton

**MINUTES (As Amended)**  
**HAMILTON LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee)**  
**Thursday, January 25, 2007**  
**12:00 p.m., Room 110**  
**City Hall, 1st Floor**  
**71 Main Street West, Hamilton**

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**Present:** D. Dent (Chair), A. Charlton (Vice Chair), Councillors B. Bratina, and B. McHattie, A. Denham, A. French, P. Hartnett, F. Neufeld, M. Stark, S. Wray and K. Wakeman

**Absent with Regrets:** Councillor M. Pearson, City Business and B. Manson

**Also Present:** D. Cuming, Senior Project Manager, Community Planning & Design  
J. Muller, Cultural Heritage Planner, Community Planning & Design  
S. Vattay, Cultural Heritage Planner, Community Planning & Design  
M. House, Cultural Heritage Planning Technician, Community Planning & Design  
L. Chewter, Assistant Cultural Heritage Planner  
I. Bedioui, Legislative Assistant, Clerk's Office

**The meeting was called to order.**

At the invitation of the Chair, staff introduced themselves and the Committee met Lauren Chewter who is a student intern filling the position of Assistant Cultural Heritage Planner.

**1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

**The Committee Clerk noted the following changes, which were approved:**

- (a) Verbal update by Sylvia Wray respecting cemeteries and churches inventories added as Item 5.11 and the balance of the Items renumbered accordingly.
- (b) Added Item 5.13 – next meeting date.

**(Hartnett/Charlton)**

That the agenda be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None declared.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**3.1 Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) Minutes, dated December 14, 2006**

**(French/Neufeld)**

That the Minutes of the December 14, 2006 meeting of the Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**4. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**4.1 Recommendation to Designate 209-211 James Street South, Hamilton, Under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act (Ward 1)**

Sharon Vattay made a PowerPoint Presentation which provided an overview of the application submitted by the property owner and the processing of the application to date. Her presentation included historical background of the development of the neighbourhood and the subject building. The presentation also illustrated the alterations which have been made to the building over time. She advised that the building is a good example of high Victorian architecture and pointed out the various features. She noted that the building is part of the streetscape and satisfies City and Provincial criteria for designation. The Chair asked Sylvia Wray, Chair of the Inventory and Research Sub-committee, for comments and she noted that they are hopeful that designation will deter any further changes.

It was noted by the Committee that the building is in Ward 2 and not Ward 1.

**(Wray/Hartnett)**

That the City of Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) advise Council:

- (a) That the designation of 209-211 James Street South, as a property of cultural heritage value pursuant to the provisions of Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, 1990, be approved.
- (b) That the Statement of Cultural Heritage Value and Description of the Heritage Attributes, attached as Appendix A, be approved.
- (c) That the City Solicitor be directed to take appropriate action to designate 209-211 James Street South under Part IV of the Ontario Heritage Act, in accordance with the Notice of Intention to Designate, attached as Appendix B.

**CARRIED**

**4.2 2007 Price List and Pricing Policy for MHC Produced Posters**

**(French/Denham)**

That the poster prices and pricing policy be endorsed as follows:

- (a) Doors of Hamilton (11" x 17") – Regular Price is \$2.00, Price for 10 or more is \$1.00
- (b) Doors of Hamilton (Large) - Regular Price is \$15.00, Price for 10 or more is \$10.00
- (c) Stone Terrace Print - Regular Price is \$5.00, Price for 10 or more is \$2.00
- (d) Pigott Windows (Individual) - Regular Price is \$12.00, Price for 10 or more is \$7.00
- (e) Pigott Windows (Set) - Regular Price is \$20.00, Price for 10 or more is \$14.00

**CARRIED**

Meghan House presented the above recommendation to the Committee and confirmed that the Education Sub-committee agreed to the prices.

**4.3 LACAC (MHC) Recommendation for Use of Surplus Stone Terrace Posters as "Give-away" Items (A. Denham)**

**(Stark/Charlton)**

- (a) That staff be requested to use a surplus of Stone Terrace Posters as "give-away" items for special Municipal events and awards. Staff to notify Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) when such give-aways are used.
- (b) That staff be requested to forward all requests from the Public for donations of Stone Terrace Posters to Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) for review and/or approval at a regularly scheduled meeting of the Committee.
- (c) That staff notify Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) when the surplus inventory of Stone Terrace Posters reaches 1000 so that this recommendation may be reviewed and reassessed.

**CARRIED**

(On a motion (Charlton/Denham) the wording of the above recommendation was amended to read "That staff be *requested*" instead of "That staff be *directed*.")

**4.4 Request from the Hamilton Heritage Day organizers for 200 Stone Terrace Posters as “Give-away” Items.**

**(Deham/Wakeman)**

That 200 Stone Terrace Posters be donated for use as give-away items at the Hamilton Heritage Day celebrations.

**CARRIED**

The Committee requested that the organizers consider not charging the \$40 table fee. Staff will check with Rebecca Oliphant.

**4.5 LACAC (MHC) Recommendation for the Use of Surplus Doors of Hamilton Postcards (A. Denham)**

**(Hartnett/Denham)**

(a) That staff be requested to contact the organizers of the Hamilton-Wentworth Heritage Association Heritage Volunteer Service Awards to offer enough Doors of Hamilton Postcards as a “give-away” so that each Award recipient will receive one (1) postcard in their Award envelope.

**CARRIED**

(On a motion (Charlton/Denham) the wording of the above recommendation was amended to read “That staff be *requested*” instead of “That staff be *directed*.”)

**4.6 Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) Year End Report**

**(Wray/Wakeman)**

That the Draft Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) Year End Report be referred back to Alissa Denham to be finalized by incorporating the Chair’s Report and any other outstanding information as directed by the Committee and that a Special Meeting of the Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee) be scheduled to approve the final report in time for Heritage Day.

**CARRIED**

**5. GENERAL INFORMATION**

**5.1 Archaeology Management Plan - (PowerPoint Presentation)**

Joseph Muller made a PowerPoint presentation. He explained that the Committee’s new name goes hand in hand with its expanded mandate to include archaeology and landscapes. A hand-out of his presentation which provided an overview of Planning and Archaeology and how it has applied to the Hamilton area was distributed.

The Chair requested that Joseph Muller update the Committee on an annual basis with respect to his work.

**5.2 Minutes of the December 5, 2006 meeting of the Joint Plaquing Sub-Committee**

**5.3 Minutes of the January 9, 2007 Education Sub-Committee Meeting**

**5.4 Letter dated January 2, 2007 from Gordon Birk, Chair of the Heritage Dinner Committee of the Head-of-the-Lake Historical Society**

**5.5 Notice of Resignation from Paul Shaker.**

The Committee requested that a letter and certificate of appreciation be forwarded to Paul Shaker for his service on the Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee).

**5.6 Notice respecting Grand River Watershed 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Heritage Day Workshop and Celebration. (A. Denham)**

**5.7 Volunteers required for Heritage Day to be held at City Hall - Feb 17, 2007 (No Copy) (Alissa Denham)**

Kathy Wakeman, Patricia Hartnett and Anne Charlton volunteered to provide assistance during Heritage Day which will be held February 17, 2007 at the Hamilton City Hall.

**5.8 Conservation Review Board (CRB) Hearing Reports respecting property designation. (D. Cuming)**

David Cuming explained that he included copies of two Conservation Review Board hearing reports to illustrate to the Committee how the review board considers the designation reports submitted by municipalities. The reports are required to provide certain information and that is why they are comprehensive and therefore lengthy.

**5.9 Heritage Tax Rebate Program (D. Cuming)**

David Cuming explained that this information item is provided in response to a request made by Committee at its last meeting and it explains why there are no tax rebate programs.

**5.10 31 Cross Street - Ontario Municipal Board Decision (D. Cuming)**

A copy of the OMB report was supplied to the Committee for their information.

**5.11 Update respecting cemeteries and churches inventories (Added Item)**

Sylvia Wray provided background information indicating that the cemeteries inventory was initially a project she had assigned to students. When completed, it became apparent that the inventory was a good source of information respecting Hamilton's social history and the data collected included details which were not recorded in official documents. It was determined that this would be a helpful document for staff, and the information was used to compile Volume 6 of the Hamilton's Heritage series. The inventory includes cemeteries that no longer existed (i.e. cemeteries that had been moved due to development).

Sylvia Wray has now undertaken to produce an inventory of the places of worship in the City of Hamilton. She and her team members (Art French and Anne Charleton) have found that due to the numerous places of worship in the area the project cannot be completed in one year and they will endeavor to inventory the former municipalities of Ancaster, Dundas, Flamborough, Glanbrook and Stoney Creek first. This will be followed by a separate volume containing the places of worship in the former City of Hamilton.

**5.12 Endangered Buildings and Landscapes:**

**(a) Victoria Hall, 68 King Street East, Hamilton (NHS, D) – P. Shaker**

Frances Thorp-Neufeld agreed to replace Paul Shaker as the watch dog for Victoria Hall.

**(b) Treble Hall, 6-12 John Street North, Hamilton (L) – Councillor B. McHattie**

Councillor McHattie indicated that there has been no further development with respect to Treble Hall. The City is proceeding with the development of the Kit Kat building which will hopefully commence this spring. The owner had appealed the City's development to the Ontario Municipal Board.

The Chair asked if there were any volunteers willing to work with Councillor McHattie, or independently to keep watch and ensure that the Property Standards are complied with. It was noted that the building is in Ward 2.

**(c) Red Hill Creek Valley, Hamilton (L, ND) – Councillor M. Pearson**

No updates

**(d) Lister Block, 28-40 James Street North, Hamilton (D) – D. Dent**

The Provincially appointed Lister Group is still meeting but there is, as yet, no final decision on the future of the buildings.

**(e) Auchmar, 88 Fennell Avenue West, Hamilton (D) – D. Dent**

Diane Dent advised that she wasn't able to attend the staff arranged tour of Auchmar due to illness. The members who did attend the tour were impressed by the interior of the building and the beautiful surroundings. Staff reminded the Committee Members that at the November meeting they requested their input on the concepts for the development of Auchmar. Anyone needing an extra copy of the concepts (which were distributed at the November meeting) can request one from the Legislative Assistant. Staff are looking to get an overall impression from the Committee.

**(f) Auchmar Gate House, 71 Claremont Drive, Hamilton – Michelle Stark**

Michele Stark advised that Property Standards staff have inspected the premises. The owner is out of the country and the building is boarded up. The Committee briefly discussed the enhanced property standards By-law that is now possible under the amended Ontario Heritage Act. Some members expressed concerns that the current by-law can't address this situation. It was noted that staff will prepare a report on the pros and cons of such a by-law which applies only to designated heritage buildings (not to listed properties).

Staff asked the Committee to consider whether it would like to take more of a policing role with respect to the Property Standards By-law as that would produce more results and make the by-law more effective.

**(g) Smart-Turner Building, 191 Barton Street E., Hamilton (ND, L) – D. Dent**

The Committee was advised that Councillor Maria Pearson has been in touch with Beth Manganelli of Hamilton Health Services but hasn't received a response as yet.

**(h) St. Marks, 120 Bay Street South, Hamilton (D) – D. Dent**

No update.

- (i) **Tivoli, 108 James Street North, Hamilton – Councillor B. McHattie**

Councillor Bratina indicated that there are no updates or concerns to report with respect to the Tivoli. He advised that the long range plan is to fundraise and hopefully find an interested owner and the short range plan is to grade the rubble and show films outdoors in the summer in a *Cinema Paradiso* style. He added that the integrity of the interior looks good.

- (j) **Book House, 167 Book Road East, Ancaster – A. Charlton**

Ann Charlton indicated that she had prepared information regarding the architectural and historical significance of the Book House and that she is hoping the owners will be convinced to have the building designated.

- (k) **2 Hatt Street, Dundas – Frances Neufeld**

No update.

**(Charlton/Wakeman)**

That Items 5.1 through 5.12 inclusive, be received for information.

**CARRIED**

**5.13 Next Meeting**

As some members will be unable to attend the next meeting which is scheduled for February 22, the Chair asked whether it would be possible to reschedule the meeting to the preceding week - either on February 15 or even earlier on February 8. This would also enable the Committee to approve the Year End Report in time for Heritage day. A brief discussion followed and the Committee Clerk was requested to poll the Committee members and staff to see if this is feasible.

**6. ADJOURNMENT**

**(Wray/French)**

There being no further business, the Committee adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

**CARRIED**

**Respectfully submitted,**

**Hamilton LACAC (Municipal Heritage Committee)**

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