



Corporation of the City of St. Catharines
MAYOR'S GRAFFITI COMMITTEE MEETING

Thursday March 13, 2014

5:00 to 6:00pm

St. Catharines City Hall, 50 Church Street: Ante Room

Meeting Notes

Present: Councillor Joe Kushner
Kristen Sullivan (RCS), Julie Hughes (Mayor's Office)
Tisha Polocko, Ben Hannan, Holly Washuta

Regrets: Mayor Brian McMullan, Councillor Jeff Burch
Stacey Wells (Legal)
Paul Jackson (NRP), Filomena Goldsworthy (DSBN), Dan Trainor (NCDSB)
Stacey Sheehan, Dave Schulz, Daniel Frye, Edmund Bruckner, Kris Akilie,
Selby Harris, Milica Kovacevich Michelle Gagnon, Ben Wilby

Welcome and introductions ~ Councillor Kushner

Quorum is not present but meeting will proceed

Councillor Washuta resigned from Council and is no longer Committee representative

1. Review of Nov 19, 2013 minutes ~ Councillor Kushner

- **Motion**, Holly Washuta
Accept the minutes with the recommendation to defer approval to the next meeting
All in favour
Carried

2. Graffiti Removal Funding ~ J. Hughes for Mayor McMullan

- Council passed unanimously on Dec 2, 2013, a motion presented by Councillor Washuta giving the Graffiti Committee discretion to increase financial assistance from 50% to 100% for applications submitted to the Graffiti Removal Program, on a case by case basis

3. Status of graffiti removal for McCalla St neighbours ~ K. Sullivan

- Following the motion passed by Council on Dec 2nd, the Graffiti Committee granted the McCalla neighbours 100% financial assistance to those residents who applied to the Graffiti Removal Program, at the Nov 19th meeting
- RCS contacted all residents with this information
- All residents contacted a graffiti removal company and have taken the steps toward having the graffiti removed from their property in the warmer weather

4. Vine planting on Catherine Street

- Deferred to next meeting

5. Mainstream fee for service agreement ~ K. Sullivan

- See appendix 1, *Graffiti Removal Summary*
 - **Motion, T. Polocko**
That the committee recommends that RCS report to Council an upset limit of \$15,000 for the 2014 Mainstream fee for service agreement with the comment that this recommendation was made without quorum present
All in favour
Carried

6. NRP Graffiti stats ~ J. Hughes for Constable P. Jackson

2010	67 reports
2011	30 reports
2012	46 report
2013	53 reports
2014	6 to date

- **Action, Mayor's Office**
That the Mayor contact the NRP to request regular attendance by a representative in an attempt to improve communication and co-ordinated efforts to battle graffiti

7. Pitch In Day ~ T. Polocko

- Earth Week is Apr 20-26
- Mayor's Clean Sweep is Apr 23 at Pinegrove
- Pitch in Day is Sat Apr 26
- Kits available at City Hall, Kiwanis Aquatics Centre & Seymour Hannah
- Graffiti pamphlets will be enclosed in kits

8. Resignation ~ Ben Hannan

- Ben submits resignation letter to the Mayor

Meeting adjourned: 5:30pm