



CITY OF
ST. CATHARINES

Minutes

Meeting: Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial Task Force
Location: Burgoyne Room
Date: Thursday, January 29, 2015
Time: 9:30am to 11:00am
Recording Secretary: Julie Hughes

Meeting Attendees:

Invited	Name	Title	Representing	
Present	Walter Sendzik	Mayor	St. Catharines	
	Bruce Timms	Councillor	Region	
	Dave Schulz	Rick Dykstra's Office	St. Catharines	
	Bob Sears	President	Cdn Canal Society	
	Patrick Little	Lawyer/historian	St. Catharines	
	Mark Cherney	Business Manager	IBEW	
	Chris Grawey	Member	IBEW	
	Gerry Miele	President	Unifor 4211	
	Arden Phair	Historian	St. Catharines	
	Rebecca Cann	Cultural Services Supervisor	St. Catharines	
Call in	Maggie Riopelle	Commissioner's Office	St. Catharines	
	Kathleen Powell	Supervisor of Historical Services	St. Catharines	
	Sheri Laekeman	President	Uniform 4212	
	Call in	Karen Moncur	EA, Rick Dykstra	St. Catharines
		Regrets	Rick Dykstra	MP
	Malcolm Allen		MP	St. Cath/Welland
	John Maloney		Mayor	Port Colborne
	Ted Luciani		Mayor	Thorold
	Frank Campion		Mayor	Welland
	Bruce Williamson		Councillor	St. Catharines
John Armstrong	Executive Member		Welland Canal Fdn	
Jeff Burch	Executive Director		Folk Arts Council	

Welcome and introductions from the Chair: Mayor Sendzik at 9:30am

Agenda Items and Deliverables

1. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting:

Wednesday, September 11, 2013

Approval with amendment noted, B Timms

- 2 iv) Niagara Region Labour Council is interested in developing a supplementary fundraising strategy for their membership
- D. Schulz seconded
- Approved and carried

2. Fundraising Sub Committee ~ Dave Schulz

- K. Vallier will maintain position on Committee but will not be the fundraising lead as new position at NPCA could be conflict of interest
- **Action items for Sub Committee**
 1. Recruit lead for fundraising
 2. Draft a communications plan
 3. Present regular fundraising reports to Task Force

3. Community Partners ~ Rebecca Cann

- i) Cdn Canal Society proposal ~ Bob Sears
 - See appendix: 3.1CCS, Dec 2014
 - Cdn Canal Society is now confirmed as a Community Partner
- ii) Folk Arts Council representation ~ Rebecca Cann
 - DCH application requires active participation from community partners
- **Action, Rebecca Cann**
 - Approach Jeff Burch for a representative to attend for Folk Arts Council

4. DCH application status ~ Rebecca Cann

- November 2014, the lease agreement for the site between the City and the Seaway was finalized and forwarded to DCH
- January 2015, the DCH asked for specific information, including design
- Anticipate hearing back from DCH by end of May 2015

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5. Design Sub Committee ~ Rebecca Cann

- i) Confidential presentation
 - 3 out of the 4 shortlisted designs presented to the Selection Panel
 - Selection Panel presented final design choice

Motion, Gerry Miele

- *That the design concept presented be recommended to St. Catharines City Council for approval; and that the Welland Canal Fallen Workers Memorial Design Selection Panel be thanked for their work in the selection process; and that City staff be directed to move forward a report to City Council to finalize the design selection, pending approval of a communications plan."*
- B. Sears seconded
- Approved and carried

- ii) Participation of canal corridor communities, B Timms
 - In order to secure Greater Niagara Circle Route funding there needs to be more definition as to how Welland, Port Colborne and Thorold will be integrated into the main memorial site at St. Catharines.
 - The budget for the project should include the elements recommended by the designer for these communities, as well as sufficient funds for lighting, benches etc.

6. Timeline

- i) Anticipate DCH announcement in May, Rebecca Cann
 - See appendix 6.1 timeline 1/28/2015
 - Require a co-ordinated fundraising and communications plan
 - A sub committee is struck with members: Bruce Timms, Bob Sears, Karen Moncur, Dave Schulz, Gerry Miele, Chris Grawey and City staff Kathleen Powell, Rebecca Cann and Maggie Riopelle

Action, Sub Committee

The sub committee will meet regularly to develop a budget, fundraising strategy and communications plan and report back at regular task force meetings

- ii) Unveiling 2017, Gerry Miele
 - Coincides with 150 year birthday of Canada
 - Opportunity to commemorate the Memorial on a stamp or coin

Action, Dave Schulz

- *Dave will research and forward info to the task force to investigate*

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7. Research & Interpretation Sub Committee, Kathleen Powell

- Final list being reviewed and will be released within the next two months

8. Presentations ~ Rebecca Cann

- Given the absences of new Mayors Campion and Maloney, Rebecca offered to meet them at their office to go through design presentation

9. Meeting adjourned ~ 11am

10. Next meeting ~ Wednesday April 8, 3:30pm to 4:30pm Burgoyne Woods Room (com room 1)

Attachments:

- ✓ 6.1 timeline1/28/2015