



Mayor's Advisory Committee for Black History

FOR: 2013 / 1st MEETING of the Mayor's Advisory Committee for Black History

HELD: Thursday, January 10, 2013 – City Hall

PRESENT: John Richmond, Co-Chair; Jeff Burch, Councillor; Mathew Siscoe; Councillor; Rochelle Bush; Christiana Fixon-Owoo; Donna Ford; Alan R. McEwen; Ada Summers

REGRETS: Brian McMullan, Mayor; Irene Romagnoli, Co-Chair; Karen Moncur; Richard Ndayizigamiye; Rosemary Sadlier

CIRCULATED TO: Dan Carnegie, Director Corporate Support Services

IN ATTENDANCE: Kathleen Powell, Supervisor Historical Services/Curator
Karen Cockerham, Secretary

MINUTES

1. **Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 6:37 pm by the Meeting Chair.

2. **Confirmation of Minutes**

MOTION: FORD/BUSH

THAT the minutes of the Meeting held December 13, 2012 be approved.
Carried.

3. **Next Steps**

a. Report to Council - Update

- Consideration of hiring a consultant to prepare feasibility reports is at the Budget Review Committee
- Public Meeting to discuss the proposed budgets will be held January 16 and 23. Committee members are welcome to attend.

b. Terms of Reference

- This Committee's term expires end of January 2013.
- A Report to Council will be submitted to renew the Committee's Terms of Reference and Term.

c. Site Visits

- Deferred to next meeting
- Suggested site: an African Village site in Toronto

ACTION: Supervisor Historical Services/Curator will submit Report to Council re term renewal for the Mayor's Advisory Committee for Black History.

ACTION: Supervisor Historical Services/Curator will make arrangements for potential site visitation dates.

4. Presentations

a. Nicholson Family: A Short History – D. Ford

- D. Ford presented a short history of her ancestor and an account of steps taken to uncover information on individuals who arrived in the Niagara Region through the Underground Railroad.

b. The African Association of Niagara – C. Fixon-Owoo

- C. Fixon-Owoo brought forward suggestions as to what the African-born immigrants would be interested in experiencing within a Black History Interpretive Centre, as well as general information on the Association.

5. Next Meeting Date

TBD

6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 7:52 pm.

Certified Correct (Secretary): _____

Confirmed by (Chair): _____