Clean City Task Force

Minutes

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

City Hall – Ante Room at 5:30 p.m.

Attendance:

Kim Bauer, Michael Hole, Alexis Kleiman, Noah Machek, and Rebecca Selkirk

Staff Liaison:

Brett Cudmore, Alysha Robins

1. Call meeting to order (Chair)

Noah Machek called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

2. Recognition of Traditional Territories

Noah Machek acknowledged that the land on which we gather today is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Attiwonderonk, and Mississauga peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many Indigenous peoples, made up of First Nations, Inuit and Métis. The Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement should remind us of our responsibility to ensure the Dish, the territories on which we live and work, is never emptied, and that we take care of the land and its inhabitants in a way that ensures its future sustainability.

- **3. Amendments to the agenda** There were none.
- 4. Motion to approve the agenda Moved by: Kim Bauer

That the Clean City Task Force adopt the agenda for the meeting of June 17, 2025.

Carried

5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting Moved by: Alexis Kleiman

That the minutes of the June 17, 2025, meeting be approved.

Carried

The Clean City Task Force is an Advisory Committee of City Council



6. Declarations of Interest

There were none declared.

7. Business

7.1. Merchandise Updates – Discuss Logos for Jackets

- Brett Cudmore provided guidelines to the committee that indicate what the logo can and cannot be used for.
- All requests for the use of the logo must be submitted to the Staff Liaison (Brett Cudmore).
- Brett Cudmore confirmed that the Clean City Task Force has a budget of \$10,000.
- Action Item: Kim Bauer suggested documenting the benefit of having jackets and golf shirts, such as for promoting the Task Force and visibility during events.

Moved by: Kim Baur

That the Clean City Task Force use the logo with the words spelled out in full.

Carried

Moved by: Rebecca Selkirk

That the colour of the clothing be hunter green.

Carried

7.2. Spring Cleanup Recap

- The spring cleanup event was successful.
- Approximately 20 to 23 people attended attended the event.
- Most attendees were from the neighbourhood and were enthusiastic and engaged in the clean-up.
- Action Item: Brett Cudmore to determine the number of yellow bags picked up across the city to date.

7.3. Movie Night Update

- Alexis Kleiman confirmed that Moonlight Flicks are not available on August 19. The following dates are available: Augst 11, 12,13, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29.
- Alexis Kleiman confirmed that the movie Wild Robot is available to show.
- Alexis Keliman confirmed the total cost of the event is expected to be \$2,252.55. This includes all logistics and the inverter fee of \$135.00.

- At the event, the Task Force will set up a table, banner, and small supplies to support Task Force and clean-up.
- The Task Force decided it would be best to align the movie night with the Port Dalhousie Supper Market.
- Brett Cudmore suggested that for future movie nights, the Task Force hand out swag for the kids, such as magnets, seed bombs, or balloons.
- Action Item: Alexis Kleiman will email William Bell to ensure the park is available and will copy Brett Cudmore.
- Action Item: Alexis Kleiman will book the movie night and will copy Brett Cudmore to put through all the purchases.
- Action Item: Alexis Keliman will email Brett Cudmore with information for communications around the movie night.

Moved by: Alexis Kleiman

That the Clean City Task Force move forward with Moonlight Flicks with the date of August 12 with backup dates of August 11 or 13, if the park is not available on the 12. Also, there will be a rain date of August 26.

Carried

Moved by: Alexis Kleiman

That the movie night rain date will be August 26.

Carried

7.4. Future Cleanup Initiatives

- Kim Bauer suggested that for future events the Task Force either make the event big and recruit a lot of volunteers or make the event small and focus on one targeted location for clean-up.
- Kim Bauer suggested delivering flyers for advertising future events.
- Kim Bauer suggested having residents nominate a park or location that the clean-up would take place at and then the Task Force would vote and choose a location.
- Brett Cudmore said there are eight parks not manned by City staff so these could be good locations.
- Kim Bauer suggested that the Task Force meet with Council and find out the strategic plan for clean-ups (e.g. clean-up on one day or multiple days).
- Kim Bauer suggested that having a coordinated effort with other groups for clean-up would make people more aware of the event.

- Rebecca Selkirk requested tracking statistics on the impact and growth of the Task Force events.
- Action Item: Brett Cudmore to ask City staff to identify how many bags are picked up at future events.
- Action Item: Brett Cudmore will track the number of bags collected going forward and will try to populate bags collected from the past year to-date.
- Alexis Keliman indicated that the City of Niagara Falls has an online form for residents to register to become ambassadors for their community.
- Alexis Kleiman suggested the Task Force have a similar form on the City's website where residents can register. When someone signs up it would go to Brett Cudmore.
- Action Item: Brett Cudmore to ask Evan Gillespie if it would be a feasible request to have a form like this created and perhaps have it in place before the September clean-up event.
- Micheal Hole mentioned that the Queenston Round Table offered to promote the Clean City Task Force events through their newsletter and website.

7.5. Future Agenda Items for Consideration

- Alexis Kleiman suggested having a meeting after the movie night and at that time the Task Force will come up with a budget for the year and add the jackets as a line item to determine if funds are available for them or not.
- A date for September clean-up will be decided at the next meeting.
- At the next meeting, the Task Force will provide an update on the movie night, an update on the web form, and planning for the September cleanup event.

8. Date of next meeting

The next meeting is July 15, 2025.

9. Motion to Adjourn

Moved by: Kim Bauer

That the meeting be adjourned at 6:31 p.m.

Carried