



**BOARD OF HEALTH  
MINUTES 16-008  
1:30 p.m.  
Thursday, August 11, 2016  
Council Chambers  
Hamilton City Hall**

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Present: M. Green (Deputy Mayor)  
Councillors A. Johnson, S. Merulla, C. Collins, T. Jackson, D. Skelly, D. Conley, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, J. Partridge

Absent with  
regrets: Mayor F. Eisenberger, J. Farr, T. Whitehead, and R. Pasuta – City Business

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**THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:**

**1. Ontario Public Health Standards and Protocol Update (BOH16044) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)**

**(Pearson/Merulla)**

That Report BOH16044 respecting the Ontario Public Health Standards and Protocol Update, be received.

**CARRIED**

**2. Stock Epi in Food Outlet BOH13040(b) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

**(Ferguson/Partridge)**

That Report BOH13040(b) respecting Stock Epi in Food Outlet, be received.

**CARRIED**

**3. Food Strategy BOH13001(d) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

**(Pearson/Skelly)**

(a) That the Board of Health endorse in principle the four overarching Goals and fourteen Recommendations in the Hamilton Food Strategy: A Healthy, Sustainable, and Just Food System for All - (June 2016) attached as Appendix A to Report BOH13001(d);

(b) That the Board of Health direct the Interdepartmental Food Strategy Steering Team, in collaboration with appropriate staff, to initiate the five Food Strategy Priority Actions attached as Appendix B, as follows:

- (i) To report back on the implementation process for Priority Action 1 (Funding Criteria Process) by the end of 2016;
  - (ii) If new requests for City resources (e.g. staff, financial) are received by Council prior to approval of Priority Action 1, Council direct these requests to the Interdepartmental Food Strategy Steering Team for review and to report back with recommendations to Board of Health;
  - (iii) To explore the feasibility of implementing Priority Actions 2 (Food Skills and Employability Program) and 3 (Community and Neighbourhood Infrastructure ) and report back to the Board of Health by the end of 2018; and,
  - (iv) To implement Priority Actions 4 (Food Literacy Network) and 5 (Local Food Promotion) by the end of 2017.
- (c) That the Board of Health endorse in principle the remaining Actions outlined in the Hamilton Food Strategy: A Healthy, Sustainable, and Just Food System for All - (June 2016) attached as Appendix A to Report BOH13001(d);
- (d) That the Interdepartmental Food Strategy Steering Team be directed to develop an Implementation Plan for the remaining Actions to be submitted to the Board of Health by the end of the second quarter 2017. The plan will include: identification of a Corporate or community lead; estimated completion timelines; establish monitoring and evaluation measures; identification where policy changes or additional financial or staffing resources would be required;
  - (i) Actions that have policy, financial, or staffing implications will be required to report back to an appropriate Standing Committee for approval prior to implementation.
- (e) That staff be directed to provide the Board of Health with:
  - (i) An annual update; and,
  - (ii) A detailed Report Card every two years on the status of the Food Strategy's Recommendations and Actions.

**CARRIED**

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH:**

**(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)**

The Clerk advised the Board of the following changes:

**ADDED DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

- 4.1 Kaitlyn Zarcone-Beam, McMaster Student Union respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy (for this meeting) (copy attached)
- 4.2 Clare Wagner, Neighbour to Neighbour Centre, respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy (for this meeting) (copy attached)

- 4.3 Megan Boyle, Senior Director, Government Affairs, Canadian Beverage Association respecting recent discussions at the Board of Health concerning sugar-sweetened beverages (for the October 17, 2016 meeting) (copy attached)

**ADDED WRITTEN COMMENTS (Item 7)**

- 7.1(i) Nancy Henley, respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy (copy attached)

**(A. Johnson/Conley)**

That the agenda for the August 11, 2016 Board of Health be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

**(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)**

None.

**(c) APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (Item 3)**

**(i) July 7, 2016 (Item 3.1)**

**(Partridge/VanderBeek)**

That the Minutes of the July 7, 2016 meeting of the Board of Health be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

**(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)**

- (i) Kaitlyn Zarcone-Beam, McMaster Student Union respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy (for this meeting) (Added Item 4.1)**

**(A. Johnson/Pearson)**

That the request from Kaitlyn Zarcone-Beam, McMaster Student Union respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy, for today's meeting, be approved.

**CARRIED**

- (ii) Clare Wagner, Neighbour to Neighbour Centre, respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy (Added Item 4.2)**

**(A. Johnson/Jackson)**

That the request from Clare Wagner, Neighbour to Neighbour Centre, respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy, for today's meeting, be approved.

**CARRIED**

- (iii) **Megan Boyle, Senior Director, Government Affairs, Canadian Beverage Association respecting recent discussions at the Board of Health concerning sugar-sweetened beverages (for the October 17, 2016 meeting) (Item 4.3)**

**(Ferguson/Conley)**

That the request from Megan Boyle, Senior Director, Government Affairs, Canadian Beverage Association respecting recent discussions at the Board of Health concerning sugar-sweetened beverages, for the October 17, 2016 Board of Health meeting, be approved..

**CARRIED**

**(e) CONSENT ITEM (Item 5)**

- (i) **Stock Epi in Food Outlet BOH13040(b) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

**(Ferguson/Merulla)**

That staff be directed to report back to the Board of Health on an implementation plan for the next steps in the Epinephrine Auto Injector Pilot Project, by providing the cost and processes involved in establishing a volunteer program for up to 500 restaurants in the City of Hamilton to allow for an onsite auto-injector.

**CARRIED**

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 2

**(f) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

- (i) **Food Strategy BOH13001(d) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Dr. Ninh Tran, Associate Medical Officer of Health, addressed the Board respecting BOH13001(d), Food Strategy, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been included in the public record. Dr. Tran's comments included, but were not limited to the following:

- Background
  - Interdepartmental Food Strategy Steering Team
  - Food Strategy Development
  - Community Engagement
  - Key Themes
- Food Strategy Overview
  - Food Strategy Vision
  - Food Strategy Structure
  - Food Strategy Goals
  - Food System Recommendations
- Priority Actions
  - Community & Neighbourhood Infrastructure
  - Food Skills & Employability Program

- Community & Neighbourhood Infrastructure
- Local Food Promotion
- Food Literacy Network
- Funding Criteria Process Next Steps – endorsement

Dr. Tran also advised that many of the recommendations from Item 3 of Report 16-006 (June 13, 2016), respecting the Endorsement and Review of the Heart and Stroke Foundation's Position Statement on Sugar have been included in BOH13001(d) Food Strategy.

**(VanderBeek/A. Johnson)**

That the presentation respecting Report BOH13001(d), be received.

**CARRIED**

Kaitlyn Zarcone-Beam, and Adam Chiaravalle, McMaster Student Union addressed the Board of Health respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy. Their comments included, but were not limited to the following:

- Mac Farm Stand is a student run farm stand
- We provide local food and local food education to MacMaster students and the surrounding neighbourhood
- We also run food educational events surrounding food literacy
- We recognize all the hard work that has gone into the Food Strategy
- Growing local food and local food education as stated in the Food Strategy are in line with what the Mac Farm Stand
- We are working with Fortino's food stores to better identify local food products in their stores
- By purchasing local food we can make a change
- Youth care about the Food Strategy

**(Partridge/A. Johnson)**

That the presentation from Kaitlyn Zarcone-Beam, and Adam Chiaravalle, McMaster Student Union, respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy, be received.

**CARRIED**

Clare Wagner, Neighbour to Neighbour Centre, addressed the Board of Health respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy. Her comments included, but were not limited to the following:

- I would like to give a huge congratulations to the team who put together the Food Strategy
- Food Advisory Committee has been working hard with Public Health staff on the Food Strategy
- This is a step in the right direction for a sustainable food supply

**(Partridge/A. Johnson)**

That the presentation from Clare Wagner, Neighbour to Neighbour Centre, respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(VanderBeek/A. Johnson)**

That the written comments from Nancy Henley, respecting Report BOH13001(d) Food Strategy, be received.

**CARRIED**

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 3.

**(g) GENERAL INFORMATION (Item 11)**

**(i) Verbal Update from the Medical Officer of Health regarding the Patients First provincial plan (Added Item 11.1)**

Dr. Richardson, Medical Officer of Health, addressed the Board of Health with an overview of current activities related to the Patients First provincial plan. Her comments included, but were not limited to the following:

- Bill 210 is being considered by the Ontario Legislature, which if passed will, among other things, outline expectations for the relationship between Medical Officers of Health, Boards of Health and the Local Health Integration Networks (LHIN)
- Funding arrangements and accountability agreements for public health units will stay the same and not be flowed through the LHIN
- Local health system partners, such as the LHIN, hospitals, public health and primary care, are having fruitful discussions about how to improve integration and health service delivery in Hamilton
- A further update is planned for the December Board of Health meeting

**(Pearson/B. Johnson)**

That the Verbal Update from the Medical Officer of Health regarding the Patients First provincial plan, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

**(Conley/VanderBeek)**

That, there being no further business, the Board of Health be adjourned at 2:27 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Mayor M. Green  
Chair, Board of Health

Loren Kolar  
Legislative Coordinator  
Office of the City Clerk