BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES 17-007

1:30 p.m.
Thursday, August 17, 2017
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present: Councillor T. Whitehead (Chair)
Councillors A. Johnson, M. Green, S. Merulla, C. Collins, D. Skelly, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, R. Pasuta and J. Partridge

Absent with regrets: Mayor F. Eisenberger, Councillors J. Farr, D. Conley – Personal; Councillor T. Jackson – City Business

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THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Cannabis Consultation (BOH17032) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Pearson/Green)
That Report BOH17032, respecting a Cannabis Consultation, be received.

CARRIED

2. Potential Local Public Health Restructuring (BOH17034) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(Skelly/Pasuta)

(a) That staff report back as information becomes available on opportunities to provide feedback and consultation related to Appendix A to Report BOH17034 Public Health within an Integrated Health System: Report of the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Health;

(b) That the Chair of the Board of Health, the Public Health Governance Leads and the Chair of the Governance Sub-Committee participate in any consultation related to Appendix A to report BOH17034 Public Health within an Integrated Health System: Report of the Minister's Expert Panel on Public Health; and,

(c) That Report BOH17034 regarding potential local public health restructuring be referred to the Governance Sub-Committee for discussion.

CARRIED

3. Provincial Opioid Response Initiative Funding (BOH17028) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(Merulla/B. Johnson)

(a) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to receive, utilize and report on the use of funds provided to the Board of Health for the City of Hamilton to support local initiatives aimed at local opioid response; and,

(b) That the permanent staffing complement be increased by 0.35 FTE Public Health Nurses, 1.0 Health Promotion Specialist and 1.0 FTE Senior Project Manager – Drug Strategy Coordinator for the duration of the funding and that any residual funds be used to cover operational costs related to these positions in addition to enhancing opioid harm reduction initiatives.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised the Board that there were no changes to the agenda.

(Pearson/VanderBeek)
That the agenda for the August 17, 2017 Board of Health be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None.

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

(i) July 13, 2017 (Item 3.1)

(Partridge/Merulla)
That the Minutes of the July 13, 2017 meeting of the Board of Health be received, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)

(i) Food Advisory Committee Minutes (Item 5.1)

(Merulla/Green)
That the following Food Advisory Committee Minutes, be received:

(a) Food Advisory Committee Minutes – March 8, 2017

(b) Food Advisory Committee Minutes – April 12, 2017

(c) Food Advisory Committee Minutes – May 10, 2017

CARRIED

(e) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Cannabis Consultation (BOH17032) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

Councillor Green wished to be recorded as OPPOSED to the industry models currently proposed by the federal government for the sale and distribution of Cannabis.

For further disposition of this matter, refer to Item 1.

(f) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Collins/A. Johnson)
That, there being no further business, the Board of Health be adjourned at 1:51 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Councillor T. Whitehead
Chair, Board of Health

Loren Kolar
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Office of the City Clerk