



BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT 15-012

1:30 p.m.

**Monday, December 7, 2015
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall**

Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger (Chair)
Councillors A. Johnson, J. Farr, M. Green, S. Merulla, C. Collins,
T. Jackson, T. Whitehead, D. Conley, M. Pearson, B. Johnson,
L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek, J. Partridge.

**Absent with
regrets:** Councillor R. Pasuta – City Business

THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 15-012 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Healthy Smiles Ontario Dental Program Integration (BOH15033(a)) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

That Report BOH15033(a) respecting the Healthy Smiles Ontario Dental Program Integration, be received.

2. Wood Burning Awareness (BOH15026) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That Report BOH15026 respecting Wood Burning Awareness, be received.

3. Public Health Nurse Secondment to Hamilton Family Health Team as a Community Networker / Neighbourhood Development Strategy – Community Networker Pilot Project (BOH14016(a))/(CM13001(b)) (Ward 4) (Item 8.2)

That the Report BOH14016(a) / CM13001(b) respecting the Public Health Nurse Secondment to Hamilton Family Health Team as a Community Networker and

Neighbourhood Development Strategy – Community Networker Pilot Project, be referred to the 2016 Operating Budget Process.

4. Nurse-Family Partnership – Request to Maintain Current Service Levels (BOH07035(e)) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

- (a) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized to extend the agreement with Hamilton Community Foundation to fund a 0.7 full-time equivalent (FTE) Public Health Nurse in the Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) for 2016;
- (b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to continue to receive, utilize and report on 2016 funding from the Hamilton Community Foundation for a 0.7 FTE equivalent Public Health Nurse in the Nurse-Family Partnership program and execute an agreement between the City and the Hamilton Community Foundation, satisfactory in form to the City Solicitor; and
- (c) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to allocate 0.3 FTE Public Health Nurse (PHN) from the Healthy Babies Health Children (HBHC) Program, to the Nurse Family Partnership Program (NFP) to maintain the 1.0 PHN position within NFP.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised of the following Changes to the Agenda:

1. ADDED DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

- 4.1 Mr. Teodor Sroka, Zawisza Czarny Yacht Club, respecting air quality and pollution within the City of Hamilton, for a future meeting.
- 4.2 Ms. Elizabeth McGuire, Campaign for Adequate Welfare and Disability Benefits, to present information on Basic Income, and to propose the Board of Health join in a presentation to Emergency and Community Services on Basic Income, for a future meeting.

2. ADDED DELEGATION (Item 6)

- 6.1 Ms. Monika Ciolek, McQuesten Community Team respecting Correspondence from the McQuesten Community Planning Team respecting the Community Networker Pilot Project (Item 11.2)

3. ADDED GENERAL INFORMATION ITEM (Item 11)

- 11.2 Correspondence from the McQuesten Community Planning Team respecting the Community Networker Pilot Project (copy attached)
- 11.3 Verbal Update from the Acting Medical Officer of Health respecting a Case of Rabies in the City of Hamilton (no copy)

The agenda for the December 7, 2015 Board of Health was approved, as amended.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None.

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

(i) November 16, 2015 (Item 3.1)

The Minutes of the November 16, 2015 meeting of the Board of Health were approved, as presented.

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(i) Delegation request from Mr. Teodor Sroka, Zawisza Czarny Yacht Club, respecting air quality and pollution within the City of Hamilton, for a future meeting (Added Item 4.1)

The delegation request from Mr. Teodor Sroka, Zawisza Czarny Yacht Club, respecting Air Quality and Pollution within the City of Hamilton, for a future meeting, was received.

- (ii) **Delegation request from Ms. Elizabeth McGuire, Campaign for Adequate Welfare and Disability Benefits, to present information on Basic Income, and to propose the Board of Health join in a presentation to Emergency and Community Services on Basic Income, for a future meeting (Added Item 4.2)**

The delegation request from Ms. Elizabeth McGuire, Campaign for Adequate Welfare and Disability Benefits, to present information on Basic Income, and to propose the Board of Health join in a presentation to Emergency and Community Services on Basic Income, for a future meeting, was received.

(e) DELEGATIONS (Item 6)

- (i) **Delegation from Ms. Monika Ciolek, McQuesten Community Team respecting Item 11.2, Correspondence from the McQuesten Community Planning Team Project, respecting the Community Networker Pilot Project (Added Item 6.1)**

Ms. Ciolek addressed the Board. Her comments included, but were not limited to:

- The Community Nurse Navigator position is vital to the community.
- The loss of this position is the loss of a great asset to the community.
- The Community Nurse Navigator established a bond of trust with the people of the McQuesten community.
- Re-establishing that position within the community is essential to the care of the people with mental and emotional challenges who live in the community.

The presentation provided by from Ms. Monika Ciolek, McQuesten Community Team respecting the Community Nurse Networker Pilot Project, was received.

(f) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)

- (i) **Correspondence from Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, respecting the Upcoming Review and Modernization of the Ontario Public Health Standards (Item 11.1)**

The correspondence from Dr. Eric Hoskins, Minister of Health and Long-Term Care, respecting the upcoming review and modernization of the Ontario Public Health Standards, was received.

(ii) Correspondence from the McQuesten Community Planning Team respecting the Community Networker Pilot Project (Added Item 11.2)

The correspondence from the McQuesten Community Planning Team respecting the Community Networker Pilot Project, was received.

(iii) Verbal Update from the Acting Medical Officer of Health respecting a Case of Rabies in the City of Hamilton (Added Item 11.3)

Dr. Jessica Hopkins, Acting Medical Officer of Health, provided a verbal update to the Board. Her comments included, but were not limited to:

- Public Health Services has been investigating a case of rabies in a sick raccoon captured in the Stoney Creek area on Wednesday.
- Public Health Services was notified on Friday that the animal had tested positive for rabies.
- Public Health Services has been following up with anyone who may have come into direct contact with the rabid animal and have been advising those individuals to be assessed by a physician to determine if they require prophylaxis for rabies prevention.
- Public Health Services is working with the Ministry of Agriculture and Food, the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care, the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency.
- Public Health Services staff are working within a 4 km radius of the area where the animal was found.
- Vaccine packets will be left out in wooded areas for wild animals to ingest.
- Ministry of Natural Resources will begin aerial baiting this week.

The verbal update from Dr. Jessica Hopkins respecting a case of rabies in the City of Hamilton, was received.

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

That, there being no further business, the Board of Health adjourned at 2:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger
Chair, Board of Health

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Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk