BOARD OF HEALTH
MINUTES 15-010

1:30 p.m.
Monday, October 19, 2015
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present:	Councillor S. Merulla (Chair) Councillors A. Johnson, J. Farr, M. Green, C. Collins, T. Jackson, T. Whitehead, D. Conley, M. Pearson, B. Johnson, L. Ferguson, A. VanderBeek.
Absent with regrets:	Mayor F. Eisenberger – Personal, Councillors S. Duvall, J. Partridge – Personal, Councillor R. Pasuta – City Business

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THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REPORTED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:

1. Infectious Disease and Environmental Health Semi-Annual Report (BOH15024) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

(Collins/Farr)
That Report BOH15024 respecting Infectious Disease and Environmental Health Semi-Annual Report, be received.

CARRIED

2. Heating Centres During Cold Alerts (BOH15013) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)

(Pearson/Collins)
That Report BOH15013 respecting Heating Centres During Cold Alerts, be received.

CARRIED

3. Community Bed Bug Strategy (BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

(Collins/Green)

(a) That Hamilton's Community Bed Bug Strategy (2016-2019), attached as Appendix "A" to Report BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a), be endorsed by City Council;

(b) That funding at a cost of $1,060,000 for implementation of Hamilton's Community Bed Bug Strategy from April 1, 2016 to March 31, 2019 be referred to the 2016 Capital Budget process; and

(c) That the Mayor send a letter on behalf of the Board of Health and City Council to the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care requesting endorsement of and financial support for implementation of Hamilton's Community Bed Bug Strategy.

CARRIED

4. Community Climate Change Action Plan (BOH15025) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

(Farr/Jackson)

(a) That Appendix "A" attached to Report BOH15025 be endorsed; and

(b) That Public Health Services staff be directed to work with staff from other City departments, and community members toward implementing actions identified in the Hamilton Community Climate Change Action Plan.

CARRIED

5. Healthy Smiles Ontario Dental Program Integration (BOH15033) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

(Collins/Green)

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

CARRIED

6. Alcohol, Drug & Gambling Services and Community Mental Health Promotion Program Budget (BOH15032) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

(Collins/Green)

(a) That the Board of Health approve the 2015-16 Alcohol, Drug & Gambling Services Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant, Local Health Integration Network budget; 100% funded by the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant, Local Health Integration Network, with a 0.31 FTE decrease;

(b) That the Board of Health approve the 2015-16 Community Mental Health Promotion Program Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant, Local Health Integration Network budget; 100% funded by the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant, Local Health Integration Network, with a 0.6 FTE increase;

(c) That Board of Health approve the 2015-2016 Alcohol, Drug & Gambling Services Community Funding/Grants, Back on Track, Remedial Measures budget; 100% cost recovery, with 0.25 FTE decrease;

(d) That the Medical Officer of Health, or delegate, be authorized and directed to execute all 2015/2016 Provincial Service Agreements and any ancillary agreements and Contracts required to give effect to the Remedial Measures – Back on Track Program as provided for in the budget, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor;

(e) That the Medical Officer of Health, or delegate, be authorized and directed to submit reports as required by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health to meet accountability agreements.

CARRIED

7. 2015 Provincial Public Health Funding (BOH15035) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

(VanderBeek/Farr)

(a) That the Mayor and Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to sign and submit the attached Amending Agreement No. 3 to the Public Health Funding & Accountability Agreement;

(b) That the Medical Officer of Health, or delegate, be authorized and directed to execute all 2015 Provincial Program Service Level Funding Agreements and any ancillary agreements required to give effect thereto. This includes the authority to authorize the submission of budgets and quarterly/year end reporting;

(c) That Public Health Services staff continue to meet with Ministry of Health & Long Term Care staff to review the funding formula details, and get information on 2016 Ministry budget plans;

(d) That the Medical Officer of Health submit a request for additional funding from the Province to offset shortfalls in the mandatory program budget for 2015;

(e) That the Mayor write to the Minister of Health & Long Term Care to advocate for continued investment in local public health programming,

stability in public health funding, and review and evaluation of the funding formula for public health programs.

CARRIED

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

The Clerk advised of the following withdrawn Delegation Requests. The delegates were in attendance to answer questions, if required:

(i) Withdrawn Item 4.1 - Delegation request from Tys Theysmeyer, Royal Botanical Gardens, respecting the Climate Change Action Plan.

(ii) Withdrawn Item 4.2 - Delegation request from Karen Logan, Hamilton Industrial Environmental Association and Community Awareness Emergency Response, respecting the Climate Change Action Plan.

The Clerk also advised of the following added items:

(iii) Added Item 4.4 - Delegation request from Ms. Marisa Scotto di Luzio, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic, respecting Item 7.1, Bed Bug Action Group Community Bed Bug Strategy (BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a)) (City Wide) (for today's meeting).

(iv) Added Item 4.5 - Delegation request from Mr. David Carson, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 7.2, Community Climate Change Action Plan (BOH15025) (City Wide) (for today's meeting).

(v) Added Item 11.4 - Correspondence from the Porcupine Health Unit respecting their Board of Health resolution objecting to Public Health Funding changes.

Recommendation: To be received and endorsed.

(Jackson/VanderBeek)
That the agenda of the October 19, 2015 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) September 21, 2015 (Item 3.1)

(Pearson/VanderBeek)
That the Minutes of the September 21, 2015 meeting of the Board of Health be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

(d) DELEGATION REQUESTS (Item 4)

(i) Delegation request from Larry Huibers, Co-Chair of the Bed Bug Advisory Group, respecting Bed Bug Issues (for today's meeting) (Item 4.3)

(Pearson/VanderBeek)
That the Delegation request from Larry Huibers, Co-Chair of the Bed Bug Advisory Group, respecting Bed Bug Issues, be approved for today's meeting.

CARRIED

(ii) Delegation request from Ms. Marisa Scotto di Luzio, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic, respecting Item 7.1, Bed Bug Action Group Community Bed Bug Strategy (BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a)) (City Wide) (for today's meeting) (Item 4.4)

(Collins/Green)
That the Delegation request from Ms. Marisa Scotto di Luzio, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic, respecting Item 7.1, Bed Bug Action Group Community Bed Bug Strategy (BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a)), be approved for today's meeting.

CARRIED

(iii) Delegation request from Mr. David Carson, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 7.2, Community Climate Change Action Plan (BOH15025) (City Wide) (for today's meeting) (Item 4.5)

(Jackson/Ferguson)
That the Delegation request from Mr. David Carson, Environment Hamilton, respecting Item 7.2, Community Climate Change Action Plan (BOH15025), be approved for today's meeting.

CARRIED

(e) STAFF PRESENTATIONS (ITEM 7)

(i) Community Bed Bug Strategy (BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Rob Hall, Director, Public Health Services introduced Marcia Nauta, Public Health Nurse/ Bed Bug Navigator, Public Health Services, and David Brodati, Manager, Investment in Affordable Housing, Community and Emergency Services, who are both involved in the Community Bed Bug Strategy.

Marcia Nauta, Public Health Nurse addressed the Board with a fictional account of real-life experiences with bed bugs in the City of Hamilton, entitled "Arthur's Story". Her comments included, but were not limited to:

- Arthur is a retired man who has downsized from a house to a one-bedroom apartment with his wife
- Arthur's wife passed away, and Arthur suffered from a stroke, and when in hospital, he discovered that he had bed bugs bites
- The situation became much worse at home, and Arthur became isolated from his neighbours, friends and family
- At this point, Arthur came into contact with Public Health Services
- Arthur was given support and direct help

David Brodati, Manager, Investment in Affordable Housing presented the Community Bed Bug Strategy, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been added to the public record. The presentation included, but was not limited to:

- Bed bug calls, yearly totals
- The Strategy is a coordinated city-wide approach
- Mission, Goals and Priority Areas of the Strategy
- Capital Request
- Community Stakeholders
- Current City involvement

(Pearson/Conley)
That the presentation from Marcia Nauta, Public Health Nurse/ Bed Bug Navigator, Public Health Services, and David Brodati, Manager, Investment in Affordable Housing, Community and Emergency Services respecting Report BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a) the Community Bed Bug Strategy, be received.

CARRIED

Larry Huibers, Co-Chair, Bed Bug Advisory Action Group presented an overview of their group's involvement with the Community Bed Bug Strategy, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been added to the public record. The presentation included, but was not limited to:

- Membership of the Bed Bug Advisory Group
- Awareness Programs
- Education Programs
- Remediation Programs
- Projects to increase levels of public impact
- Engagement with landlords and tenants

(Green/Collins)
That the presentation from Larry Huibers, Co-Chair, Bed Bug Advisory Action Group respecting Report BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a) the Community Bed Bug Strategy, be received

CARRIED

Marisa Scotto di Luzio, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic, Bed Bud Advisory Action Group addressed the Board respecting the Community Bed Bug Strategy. Her comments included, but were not limited to:

- The Hamilton Community Legal Clinic provides free advice and representation to low income residents, including assistance with housing
- Hamilton Community Legal Clinic legal supports the Community Bed Bug Strategy and a continuation of the Bed Bug Assistance program supporting vulnerable citizens
- Bed bug infestation can be financially devastating to low income tenants because unit preparation is strenuous and expensive
- Public Health Services has offered valuable assistance to tenants

(Collins/Farr)
That the verbal presentation provided by Marisa Scotto di Luzio, Hamilton Community Legal Clinic respecting Report BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a) Community Bed Bug Strategy, be received.

CARRIED

For disposition on this matter, refer to Item 3.

(ii) Community Climate Change Action Plan (BOH15025) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

Brian Montgomery, Air Quality and Climate Change Coordinator, City of Hamilton, presented an overview of Report BOH15025, Community Climate Action Plan, with the aid of a PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation has been added to the public record. The presentation included, but was not limited to:

- Community weather impacts
- Community emission trends 2008 – 2012
- Community emission changes 2006 – 2011
- Community emissions 2012
- Green House Gas emissions and adaptation
- Ten actions (1-3 years)
- Next steps

Karen Logan, Hamilton Industrial Environmental Association and Community Awareness Emergency Response answered questions from the Board regarding the membership of the Hamilton Industrial Environmental Association that she represents.

Atif Kurbuis, Econometric Research, McMaster University, answered questions from the Board regarding the economic analysis provided in Report BOH15025 Community Climate Action Plan.

(Green/A. Johnson)
That the presentation from Brian Montgomery, Air Quality and Climate Change Coordinator, City of Hamilton respecting Report BOH15025 Community Climate Change Action Plan, be received.

CARRIED

David Carson, Environment Hamilton, addressed the Board on Report BOH15025, respecting the Community Climate Change Action Plan. His comments included, but were not limited to:

- Members of Environment Hamilton participated in the Community Climate Change Action Plan
- The City needs to do more to prevent climate change
- The Community Climate Change Action Plan is a good start, and continued support is necessary

(Collins/Farr)
That the verbal presentation from David Carson, Environment Hamilton, respecting Report BOH15025 Community Climate Change Action Plan, be received

For disposition on this matter, refer to Item 4.

(f) GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

(i) Correspondence from the Sudbury & District Health Unit respecting the Enforcement of Immunization of School Pupils' Act (ISPA). (Item 11.1)

(Collins/Green)
That the Correspondence from the Sudbury & District Health Unit respecting the Enforcement of Immunization of School Pupils' Act (ISPA), be received and endorsed.

CARRIED

(ii) Correspondence from the Sudbury & District Health Unit respecting the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program (Item 11.2)

(Farr/VanderBeek)
That the Correspondence from the Sudbury & District Health Unit respecting the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program, be received and endorsed.

CARRIED

(iii) Outstanding Business List (Item 11.3):

(Pearson/B. Johnson)
(a) Completed Items to be removed:

Item “A” – Oral Health Report, Healthy Smiles Ontario Dental Program Integration (BOH15033)

Item “B” – Community Bed Bug Strategy BOH14010(a)/CES14013(a))

CARRIED

(iv) Correspondence from the Porcupine Health Unit respecting their Board of Health resolution objecting to Public Health Funding changes (Added Item 11.4)

(Jackson/Collins)
That Correspondence from the Porcupine Health Unit respecting their Board of Health resolution objecting to Public Health Funding changes, be received and endorsed.

CARRIED

(g) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

(Whitehead/Green)
That there being no further business, the Board of Health be adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Deputy Mayor S. Merulla
Chair, Board of Health

Loren Kolar
Legislative Coordinator
Office of the City Clerk