



## **BOARD OF HEALTH MINUTES 13-009**

**1:30 p.m.**

**Monday, October 21, 2013**

**Council Chambers**

**Hamilton City Hall**

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Present: Mayor. R. Bratina,  
Councillors C. Collins, S. Duvall, J. Farr, L. Ferguson, B. McHattie  
S. Merulla, J. Partridge, R. Pasuta, M. Pearson, R. Powers,  
T. Whitehead

Absent with  
regrets: B. Clark – City Business  
T. Jackson – City Business  
B. Johnson – City Business  
B. Morelli – City Business

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### **THE FOLLOWING ITEMS WERE REFERRED TO COUNCIL FOR CONSIDERATION:**

- 1. Infectious Disease and Health Hazard Semi-Annual Report – Q1 and Q2 (January 1, 2013 to June 30, 2013) (BOH13038) (City Wide) (Item 5.2)**

**(Pasuta/Pearson)**

That Board of Health Report 13038 respecting Infectious Disease and Health Hazard Semi-Annual Report – Q1 and Q2, be received.

**CARRIED**

- 2. Community Food Security Stakeholder Advisory Sub-Committee Minutes – September 4, 2013 (Item 5.3)**

**(Pasuta/Pearson)**

That the Community Food Security Stakeholder Advisory Sub-Committee Minutes of September 4, 2013, be received.

**CARRIED**

- 3. Climate Change Actions 2012 (BOH13024) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

**(Whitehead/Powers)**

(a) That the City increase Hamilton's greenhouse gas emissions targets to

80% by 2050;

- (b) That Public Works with support from the City Manager's Office enhance the Corporate Climate Change Action Plan (PED06336(a)) to set new targets and report on progress;
- (c) That Public Health Services in partnership with community groups be directed, pending identification of a funding source, to lead the development of a Community Climate Change Action Plan to set new targets and report on progress;
- (d) That the City Manager's Office, with support from the Public Works, Emergency and Community Services, Public Health Services, Planning and Economic Development departments, form a working group to undertake a climate change vulnerability study and risk assessment of services and operations impacted by extreme weather events (e.g. flooding, increased temperatures, increased storms) and report back on the assessment, and actions to reduce these risks.

**CARRIED**

**4. *Clean Air Hamilton 2012 Progress Report (BOH13023) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)***

**(McHattie/Merulla)**

- (a) That Appendix A "*Clean Air Hamilton* Air Quality Progress Report 2012" attached to Report BOH13023 respecting air quality in Hamilton be received;
- (b) That City staff from Public Health Services work with staff from Planning and Economic Development to review planning process options for the adoption of the D-Series Guidelines from the Ontario Ministry of Environment to address land use planning;
- (c) That City staff from Public Health Services, Planning and Economic Development, and Public Works review options that can be taken at a municipal level to control and reduce air particulates;
- (d) That City staff from Public Works continue to support the implementation of low-emission transportation alternatives and identify opportunities for increasing the use of green corridors for active transportation.

**CARRIED**

**5. *Anaphylaxis (BOH13040) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)***

**(Farr/McHattie)**

That Board of Health Report 13040 respecting Anaphylaxis, be received.

**CARRIED**

**6. Nutritious Food Basket (BOH13030) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)**

**(McHattie/Farr)**

- (a) That the Board of Health correspond with the Premier of Ontario and the Minister of Community and Social Services to request an increase in social assistance rates to a level that reflects the true costs of nutritious food and housing, considering the annual results of the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Nutritious Food Basket survey and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation Rental Income (Ontario) reports. In the interim, the Board of Health requests an immediate increase of \$100 per month, for every adult in receipt of social assistance.
- (b) The Board of Health requests the Ontario government sign a bilateral housing agreement with the federal government that will commit funds for cost-sharing the five year extension of the federal Investment in Affordable Housing Program.

**CARRIED**

**7. Update to Supporting Neighbourhoods in Managing Community Consequences of Addictions (BOH12008(a)) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)**

**(Whitehead/Duvall)**

That Board of Health Report 12008(a) respecting an Update to Supporting Neighbourhoods in Managing Community Consequences of Addictions, be received.

**CARRIED**

**8. 2014 – 2017 Community Accountability Planning Submission to the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network (BOH13043) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)**

**(Merulla/Whitehead)**

- (a) That the 2014-2017 Community Accountability Planning Submission required by the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integration Network to negotiate the new Multi-sector Service Accountability Agreement for Public Health Services, Community Mental Health Promotion Program of the Mental Health and Street Outreach Services, and Alcohol, Drug & Gambling Services programs be approved. There is no net levy impact for these programs;
- (b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to negotiate, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, the 2014-2017 Multi-sector Service Accountability Agreement between the City and the Hamilton,

Niagara, Haldimand, Brant Local Health Integration Network, and to execute the agreement;

- (c) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and directed to negotiate, in a form satisfactory to the City Solicitor, any required amending, ancillary or related agreements, including funding agreements, during the term of the 2014-2017 Multi-service Sector Accountability Agreement, and to execute any amending, ancillary or related agreements, including any related documents and reports required to give effect thereto or required by the Agreement.

**CARRIED**

**9. Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (BOH13039) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)**

**(McHattie/Merulla)**

That Board of Health Report 13039 respecting an Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be received.

**CARRIED**

**10. Invitation for the Ministry of the Environment to attend a meeting of the Board of Health (Item 9.1)**

**(McHattie/Merulla)**

That the Ministry of the Environment be invited to a meeting of the Board of Health to discuss the findings of Board of Health Report 13023;

That a Copy of Board of Health Report 13023, be sent to the Ministry of the Environment for their information prior to appear at a Board of Health meeting.

**CARRIED**

**11. Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Pilot Program in City of Hamilton food outlets (Item 9.2)**

**(Ferguson/Merulla)**

- (a) That Public Health Services be directed to work with Dr. Wasserman at McMaster University, and Anaphylaxis Canada to develop an epinephrine auto-injectors pilot program by March 31, 2014 at either a Hamilton mall, or nationally recognized food outlet chain;
- (b) That Public Health Services report back in twelve months the results of the pilot project with considerations to put epinephrine auto-injectors in every food outlet in the City of Hamilton;

- (c) That the City Solicitor be directed to report back on the *Good Samaritan Act* and other legislation as it relates to liability of parties involved in such a pilot project;
- (d) That all City of Hamilton municipal buildings be included in the pilot project conducted by Dr. Wasserman, and Anaphylaxis Canada to determine the capacity to place epinephrine auto-injectors in those locations.

**CARRIED**

**FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BOARD:**

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

**ADDED DELEGATION REQUESTS**

- (i) Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.1)
- (ii) Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.2)
- (iii) Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.3)

**(Partridge/Pearson)**

That the agenda be approved, as amended.

**CARRIED**

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

None

**(c) MINUTES (Item 3)**

**(i) September 16, 2013 (Item 3.1)**

**(Whitehead/Pearson)**

That the minutes from the September 16, 2013 Board of Health meeting, be approved, as presented.

**CARRIED**

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

- (i) **Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.1)**

**(Pearson/Partridge)**

That the delegation by Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be heard in conjunction with discussion on the report.

**CARRIED**

- (ii) **Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.2)**

**(Pearson/Partridge)**

That the delegation by Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be heard in conjunction with discussion on the report.

**CARRIED**

- (iii) **Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (Item 4.3)**

**(Pearson/Partridge)**

That the delegation by Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be heard in conjunction with discussion on the report.

**CARRIED**

**(e) CONSENT ITEMS (Item 5)**

- (i) **Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (BOH13039) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)**

**(McHattie/Duvall)**

That consent tem 5.1 respecting Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be moved to discussion item 8.4 on today's agenda, as there are interested parties in attendance that wish to speak to the item.

**CARRIED**

**(f) PUBLIC HEARINGS/DELEGATIONS (Item 6)**

- (i) Randy Kay representing the Ontario Public Interest Research Group wanting to present findings from the street tree project and request that follow up air quality studies be taken to monitor changes after adding street trees to a target neighborhood (Item 6.1)**

Randy Kay spoke to the Board with respect to the street tree project and the changes that the project has made in targeted neighbourhoods within the City.

**(Pearson/McHattie)**

That the delegation by Randy Kay representing the Ontario Public Interest Research Group wanting to present findings from the street tree project and request that follow up air quality studies be taken to monitor changes after adding street trees to a target neighbourhood, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(g) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)**

- (i) Climate Change Actions 2012 (BOH13024) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)**

Brian Montgomery spoke to the Board with respect to the work being done by the City to mitigate green house gas emissions, and outlined the reduction achievements that the City has accomplished. Mr. Montgomery outlined recommendations for further action towards lowering green house gas emissions within the City.

**(Powers/Whitehead)**

That the presentation respecting Climate Change Actions 2012, be received.

**CARRIED**

- (ii) *Clean Air Hamilton 2012 Progress Report* (BOH13023) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)**

Dr. Denis Corr spoke to the Board with respect to the work and services provided by Clean Air Hamilton. Dr. Corr spoke data that has been collected respecting air quality trends, mobile air monitoring and the SENES report. Dr. Corr proceeded to give an overview of the recommendations outlined in the report.

**(Merulla/Collins)**

That the presentation respecting *Clean Air Hamilton 2012 Progress*

Report, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(iii) Anaphylaxis (BOH13040) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)**

Ernie Avilla spoke to the Board with respect to anaphylaxis and food allergies. Mr. Avilla spoke to the data on food allergies within Canada, and spoke to the possibility of developing a pilot program for epinephrine auto-injectors.

**(Ferguson/Partridge)**

That the presentation respecting Anaphylaxis, be received.

**CARRIED**

**Epinephrine Auto-Injectors Pilot Program in City of Hamilton food outlets**

**(Ferguson/Merulla)**

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- (b) That Public Health Services report back in twelve months the results of the pilot project with considerations to put epinephrine auto-injectors in every food outlet in the City of Hamilton;
- (c) That the City Solicitor be directed to report back on the *Good Samaritan Act* and other legislation as it relates to liability of parties involved in such a pilot project.

**(Partridge/Pearson)**

That the motion be amended by adding the following as item (d) which reads as follows:

- (d) That all City of Hamilton municipal buildings be included in the pilot project conducted by Dr. Wasserman, and Anaphylaxis Canada to determine the capacity to place epinephrine auto-injectors in those locations.

**Amendment Carried**

The Motion as Amended **CARRIED** on the following Standing Recorded Vote:



Yeas: L. Ferguson, R. Pasuta, J. Partridge, R. Powers, S. Duvall,  
T. Whitehead, C. Collins, S. Merulla, J. Farr, B. McHattie  
Total: 10  
Nays: None  
Total: 0  
Absent: B. Morelli, T. Jackson, R. Bratina B. Johnson, M. Pearson,  
B. Clark  
Total: 6

The Medical Officer of Health was requested to find a funding source for the pilot project for Council's consideration.

**(h) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)**

**(i) Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project (BOH13039) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)**

Staff gave a brief overview of the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, and a brief evaluation of the work done up until this point. The Board discussed the current statistics and ways in which the program could be strengthened.

**(Merulla/Collins)**

That staff engage in dialogue with the Hamilton Food Share in conjunction with Environment Hamilton and other stakeholders to improve the distribution of the Good 2 Go Food Box pilot project and bridge any gaps that exist.

**CARRIED**

**(a) Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project**

Sally Palmer gave a presentation respecting the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, and discussed the needed to altering the program to a "onus on client model" to achieve different results.

**(Farr/McHattie)**

That the delegation by Sally Palmer representing the Nutritious Food Plan Committee requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(b) Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare**

**& Disability Benefits requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project**

Jim McLean spoke to his experience with the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project.

**(Farr/Collins)**

That the delegation by Jim McLean representing the Campaign for Adequate Welfare & Disability Benefits requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be received.

**CARRIED**

**(c) Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project**

Karen Burson a presentation respecting the Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, in support of the continuation of the pilot project.

**(Farr/McHattie)**

That the delegation by Karen Burson representing Environment Hamilton requesting to speak on the Progress Update on Good 2 Go Food Box Pilot Project, be received.

**CARRIED**

The Board of Health adjourned prior to dealing with the following items. They will appear on the Board of Health's next meeting agenda on November 18, 2013:

**(i) GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS (Item 11)**

**11.1 Correspondence**

- (a) North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit respecting OSNPPH Call to Action: Creating a Health Workplace Nutrition Environment

Recommendation: Be endorsed

- (b) Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit respecting Regulatory Modernization in Ontario's Beverage Alcohol Industry

Recommendation: Be endorsed

**11.2 Outstanding Business List**

- (a) That the due dates and name changes on the following items on the Outstanding be revised accordingly:

Item "A" - Review of the City of Hamilton Streets By-law

Due Date: November 18, 2013

Revised Due Date: December 2, 2013

Item "F" - Accreditation Moving Forward

Due Date: November 18, 2013

Revised Due Date: January 2014

**(j) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)**

**(Collins/Merulla)**

That the Board of Health be adjourned at 5:30 p.m.

**CARRIED**

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor R. Bratina  
Chair, Board of Health

Christopher Newman  
Legislative Coordinator