

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT 12-006

9:30 a.m.
Wednesday July 11, 2012
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present: Mayor B. Bratina, Chair

Councillors B. Clark, C. Collins, S. Duvall, L. Ferguson, T. Jackson,

B. Johnson, B. McHattie, S. Merulla, B. Morelli, J. Partridge,

R. Pasuta, M. Pearson, R. Powers,

Absent with

regrets:

Councillor J. Farr – Personal Business

Councillor T. Whitehead - Vacation

Also Present: Dr. E. Richardson, Medical Officer of Health

Dr. N. Tran, Associate Medical Officer of Health

D. Barr-Elliott, Director; S. Brown, Healthy Living Division R. Hall, Director; E. Mathews, Health Protection Branch G. McArthur, Director; Clinical and Preventative Services

E. Pezzetta, Director, Health Living

T. Bendo, Director; Planning and Business Improvement

C. Newman, Legislative Coordinator

THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 12-006 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

1. Child & Adolescent Services Budget 2012-2013 (BOH12016) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)

That the Board of Health approve the 2012-13 Child and Adolescent Services budget which is 100% funded by the Ministry of Children and Youth Services, the Youth Justice Sector and the Ministry of the Attorney General.

2. Hamilton Community Garden Network Coordinator Position (BOH12021) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

That Report BOH12021, respecting Hamilton Community Garden Network Coordinator Position, be received.

3. Clean Air Hamilton 2011 Progress Report (BOH12015) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

- (a) That Appendix A "Clean Air Hamilton Progress Report 2011" attached to report BOH12015 respecting air quality in Hamilton be received; and
- (b) That City Staff from Public Health, Planning & Economic Development, and Public Works be directed to consider the recommendations of the Clean Air Hamilton Progress Report 2011 in health, land- use, transportation, and quality of life projects, initiatives and activities that impact local air quality and climate change and report back to their respective committees on possible implementation.

4. Bed Bugs Actions Update BOH11010(a) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That the Board of Health write a letter to the Honourable Deborah Mathews, Ontario Minister of Health, to request that continuous, annual funding be provided to Hamilton Public Health Services for the purpose of supporting community outreach actions to prevent and/or eliminate bed bug infestations.

5. Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program 2012 Budget (BOH12017) (City Wide) (Item 8.2)

- (a) That Report BOH12017, Health Babies Healthy Children Program 2012 Budget, be received;
- (b) That a letter be written to the Ministry of Children and Youth Services regarding the potential impacts of no increase to the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program in the base budget for 2013.

6. Chief Medical Officer of Health 2012 Oral Health Report (BOH12018) (City Wide) (Item 8.3)

That Report BOH12018, respecting the Chief Medical Officer of Health 2012 Oral Health report, be received.

7. Appointment of Associate Medical Officer of Health (BOH12022) (City Wide) (Item 8.4)

- (a) That Dr. Hamidah Meghani be appointed as Associate Medical Officer of Health, and the necessary documentation forwarded to the Minister of Health & Long-Term Care for approval;
- (b) That Dr. Hamidah Meghani be appointed as an Acting Medical Officer of Health until such time as the Minister of Health & Long-Term Care approves her appointment as Associate Medical Officer of Health.

8. Correspondence (Item 11.1)

(a) Memorandum from Dr. R. Kyle, Commissioner and Medical Officer of Health, Dated May 17, 2012 Re: HPV Immunization our File: P00-47

Recommendation: Be endorsed

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

Board of Health agenda was approved, as presented.

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) June 18, 2012 (Item 3.1)

The minutes from the June 18, 2012 Board of Health meeting, were approved.

(d) PRESENTATIONS (Item 7)

(i) Hamilton Community Garden Network Coordinator Position (BOH12021) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Pete Wobschall from Green Venture and Sara Collyer from Neighbour to Neighbour Centre, gave a presentation to the Board with the assistance of PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation was obtained for the official record.

Mr. Wobschall and Ms. Collyer gave a brief overview of the Hamilton Community Garden Network (HCGN) and identified some of the highlights from 2012. The presenters spoke to the goals of the reducing poverty, increasing food security, improving healthy eating and promoting community engagement within Hamilton.

The Board discussed the importance of the program and the important role that it provides within the community. It was noted that there may be an opportunity for this program to join forces with the Community Services division in ensuring food options are available to those most in need.

The presentation respecting Hamilton Community Garden Network Coordinator Position, was received.

Please refer to item 2 for disposition on this matter.

(ii) Clean Air Hamilton 2011 Progress Report (BOH12015) (City Wide) (Item 7.2)

Dr. McCarry, Chair of Clean Air Hamilton, gave a presentation to the Board with the assistance of PowerPoint presentation. A copy of the presentation was obtained for the official record.

Dr. McCarry discussed the objectives of Clean Air Hamilton, and gave an overview of their work. Dr. McCarry proceeded to go over the air quality trends in Hamilton, and their relation to public health. Dr. Mcarry outlined the findings from the mobile air quality study and some of the recommendations that stem from the investigation.

The Board asked questions of Dr. McCarry, with respect to the data that was presented, and inquired what the City can do to continue to promote better air quality within the City.

- (a) Planning staff or Public Works staff were directed to investigate methods to ensure that dust is mitigated/suppressed at construction sites within the City of Hamilton, and report back to the appropriate Committee;
- (b) Staff were directed to report back on the status of the motion passed in 2008, requiring all new companies to have paved driveways, within the City of Hamilton.

The presentation respecting the Clean Air Hamilton 2011 Progress Report, was received.

Please refer to item 3 for disposition on this matter.

(e) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

With there being no further business the Board of Health adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor R. Bratina Chair, Board of Health

Christopher Newman Legislative Coordinator July 11, 2012