

BOARD OF HEALTH REPORT 13-001

1:30 p.m.
Monday, February 4, 2013
Council Chambers
Hamilton City Hall

Present: Mayor B. Bratina, Chair

Councillors B. McHattie, J. Farr, B. Morelli, S. Merulla, C. Collins,

T. Jackson, S. Duvall, T. Whitehead, B. Clark, M. Pearson,

L. Ferguson, R. Powers, R. Pasuta, J. Partridge

Absent with regrets:

Councillor B. Johnson – City Business

THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESENTS REPORT 13-001 AND RESPECTFULLY RECOMMENDS:

- 1. Public Health Nurse Secondment Hamilton Family Health Team (BOH13002) (City Wide) (Item 5.1)
 - (a) That the Medical Officer of Health receive, utilize and report on new funding for the Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program from the Hamilton Family Health Team, and execute a secondment agreement between the City and the Hamilton Family Health Team satisfactory in form to the City Solicitor;
 - (b) That the Medical Officer of Health increase the complement in the Healthy Babies Healthy Children program by 0.5 full time equivalent Public Health Nurse.
- 2. 2012 PHS Strategic Business Plan Progress Report BOH11016(c) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

That Report BOH11016(c), respecting 2012 PHS Strategic Business Plan - Progress Report, be received.

3. Public Health Services 2013 Business Plan (Referred by the General Issues Committee on November 27, 2012) (Item 7.2)

That the Public Health Services 2013 Business Plan, be received.

4. Ontario Public Health Standards Compliance Report (BOH13005) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)

That Report BOH13005, respecting Ontario Public Health Standards Compliance Report, be received.

5. Invitation of the Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand, Brant LIHN to the Board of Health (Additional Item)

- (a) That the Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand, Brant Local Integrated Health Network be invited to a meeting of the Board of Health respecting how they can better engage with the City of Hamilton;
- (b) That the Public Health Services liaise with the Hamilton, Niagara, Haldimand, Brant Local Integrated Health Network, prior to their appearance at the Board of Health.

6. Response to Recommendations from Skinner Inquest (BOH13004) (City Wide) (Item 8.1)

That the Board of Health endorse Public Health Services' response to the recommendations from the Coroner's Inquest held in February, 2012.

7. Plan for a Food Strategy (BOH13001) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.2)

That Report BOH13001, respecting Plan for a Food Strategy, be received.

8. Correspondence

(a) Correspondence from the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care respecting annual base funding to support the Smoke-Free Ontario Strategy.

Recommendation: That the Medical Officer of Health be directed to utilize and report back on the use of funds.

FOR THE INFORMATION OF COUNCIL:

(a) CHANGES TO THE AGENDA (Item 1)

That the agenda be approved as presented

(b) DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST (Item 2)

None

(c) MINUTES (Item 3)

(i) December 3, 2012 (Item 3.1)

That the minutes from the December 3, 2012 Board of Health meeting, be approved.

(d) DELEGATION REQUEST (Item 4)

(i) Delegation request by Anne Marsden respecting Hamilton Public Health Safety and Audit of an Unaddressed Gastroenteritis Outbreak with Diagnosed Case of C-Difficile April 2006 (Item 4.1)

That the delegation request by Anne Marsden be deferred until the next meeting of the Board of Health to allow staff to investigate the delegation further.

(e) PRESENTATION (Item 7)

(i) 2012 PHS Strategic Business Plan - Progress Report (BOH11016(c)) (City Wide) (Item 7.1)

Theresa Bendo, Director of Planning and Business Improvement, gave a presentation respecting Public Health Services, vision, strategic plan, departmental business plan, work plans as well as their annual budget.

Please refer to item 2 for disposition.

(ii) Public Health Services 2013 Business Plan (Referred by the General Issues Committee on November 27, 2012) (Item 7.2)

Theresa Bendo gave an overview of the Public Health Services 2013 Business Plan the presentation included but was not limited to the following:

- Promoting Economic Opportunities Downtown
- Built Environment
- Prosperous and Healthy Community
- Valued & Sustainable Services
- Leadership & Governance

Please refer to item 3 for disposition.

(iii) Ontario Public Health Standards Compliance Report (BOH13005) (City Wide) (Item 7.3)

Theresa Bendo gave an overview of the Ontario Public Health Standards Compliance Report. An overview was give respecting identified areas of improvement, and next steps.

Please refer to item 4 for disposition.

(f) DISCUSSION ITEMS (Item 8)

(i) Response to Recommendations from Skinner Inquest (BOH13004) (City Wide) (Outstanding Business List Item) (Item 8.1)

The Committee thanked staff for their work on the report, and were pleased to see that a public awareness campaign would ensue.

Please refer to item 6 for disposition.

That Outstanding Business List Item B, respecting the Inquest into the death of Christopher Skinner, be removed as the item is complete.

(g) GENERAL INFORMATION (Item 11)

(i) Packaged food products expiration and best before dates

Councillor Whitehead asked staff about the legislation surrounding best

before and expiry dates, and enquired if there was any further action that could be taken by the City.

(h) ADJOURNMENT (Item 13)

That the Board of Health be adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor R. Bratina Chair, Board of Health

Christopher Newman Legislative Coordinator