

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA
PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

OPEN SESSION

REPORT 2-2012

Minutes of the Open Session portion of the meeting of the Public Health and Social Services Committee held in Committee Room 4, Regional Municipal Building, 2201 St. David's Road, Thorold, Ontario, on Tuesday, January 31, 2012 at 2:08 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: Councillors Baty, Co-Chair; Greenwood, Co-Chair; Burroughs, Regional Chair; D'Angela; Diodati; Katzman; Marshall; Maves; Rigby.

Staff: Mr. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer; Dr. Jaeger, Medical Officer of Health (A); Ms. Chislett, Commissioner, Community Services; Ms. Reilly, Legislative Assistant.

Staff

Other: Community Services: Ms. Pennisi, Director, Social Assistance and Employment Opportunities; Mr. Ventresca, Director, Seniors Services.

Public Health: Mr. Cunnane, Director, EMS; Dr. Hopkins, Associate Medical Officer of Health; Mr. Smith, Deputy Chief/Associate Director, EMS.

Administration: Mr. Robinson, Executive officer to Regional Chair.

Corporate Services: Mr. Cruickshank, Legal Counsel.

Regrets: Councillor Heit.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

11. Accountability Agreement Performance Indicators 2012 – 2013
MOH 01-2012

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Chair Burroughs

That Report MOH 01-2012, January 31, 2012, be received and the following recommendations be approved:

January 31, 2012

The approval and communication of agreement to the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (MOHLTC) of Performance Indicator targets for 2012 and 2013 for the following:

- Indicator 1: high risk food premise inspections
- Indicator 2: pool and spa inspections
- Indicator 3: small drinking water system inspections
- Indicator 4: time to initiation of gonorrhea case follow-up
- Indicator 5: time to initiation of invasive Group A streptococcus follow-up
- Indicator 7a: percent wastage Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine
- Indicator 7b: percent wastage influenza vaccine
- Indicator 9c: percent of school-aged children with completed vaccination for meningococcus
- Indicator 10: percent of youth (12-18) who have never smoked a whole cigarette
- Indicator 11: percent of tobacco vendors in compliance with youth access legislation
- Indicator 12: fall-related emergency visits in older adults (65+)
- Indicator 13: percent population (19+) exceeding low-risk drinking guidelines
- Indicator 14: Baby Friendly Initiative Status

The rejection and communication to the MOHLTC of Performance Indicator targets for 2012 and 2013 for the following:

- a. Indicator 9a: percent of school-aged children with completed vaccination for Hepatitis B
- b. Indicator 9b: percent of school-aged children with completed vaccination for HPV

To direct the Medical Officer of Health (A) to enter into negotiations with the MOHLTC for new Performance Indicator targets for indicators 9a and 9b.

Carried.

12. Development of a Strategy to Advocate for Increased Homelessness Funding

COM 04-2012

Moved by Chair Burroughs
Seconded by Councillor Katzman

That Report COM 04-2012, January 21, 2012, respecting Development of a Strategy to Advocate for Increased Homelessness Funding, be received and the following recommendations be approved:

That Community Services, in consultation with the Niagara Homelessness Advisory Committee (NHAC), develop a strategy to advocate for the province and the federal government's re-examination of the funding allocations for homelessness prevention programs;

That the strategy referred to in the above recommendation be used to inform:

- a) the development of a government Relations Strategy as outlined in Council's Business Plan; and
- b) the discussion of Niagara Week meetings in May 2012.

Carried.

CONSENT ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

13. Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor Maves

That the following reports, minutes and correspondence items be received for information:

PHSS 11-2012 Arlene King, Chief Medical Officer of Health, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care (December 29, 2011) re: 2010 Annual report *Health, Not Health Care – Changing the Conversation*. (This report is available in the Clerk's Office.)

PHSS 12-2012 Memorandum from Katherine Chislett, Commissioner (January 31, 2012) re: Haiti Earthquake Relief Efforts

Carried.

14. Coroner's Inquest Recommendations
PHD 07-2012

Moved by Councillor Rigby
Seconded by Councillor D'Angela

That Report PHD 07-2012, January 31, 2012, respecting Coroner's Inquest Recommendations, be received for information.

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

15. Business Education Council (bec) Breakfast

Councillor Greenwood invited members to attend the breakfast for the 25th Anniversary celebration of the Business Education Council (bec) at the Marriott Gateway on the Falls on Friday, February 10, 2012 7:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION

16. Moved by Chair Burroughs
Seconded by Councillor Rigby

That this Committee do now meet in Closed Session for purposes of receiving information of a confidential nature relating to an Update on Litigation Affecting the Municipality and Involving Solicitor-Client Advice-Ministry of Labour (Rapelje Lodge).

Carried.

Open Session reconvened at 2:50 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

The Committee adjourned at 2:51 p.m. to meet again on February 21, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. in C.R. 4.

Brian Baty
Co-Chair

Gail Reilly
Legislative Assistant

Barbara Greenwood
Co-Chair

Kevin Bain
Regional Clerk