

THE REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY OF NIAGARA

PUBLIC HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

REPORT 11-2006

Minutes of a meeting of the Public Health and Social Services Committee held in Committee Room 4, Regional Municipal Building, Thorold, Ontario, on Tuesday, August 8, 2006 at 2:00 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

Committee: Councillors Timms, Co-Chair; Almas, Angelone, Bailey, Baty, Harry, Hildreth, Marshall, Mastroianni.

Staff: Dr. Williams, Medical Officer of Health and Commissioner Public Health; Mr. Trojan, Chief Administrative Officer; Ms. Pilon, Deputy Clerk; Ms. Ricci, Acting Legislative Assistant.

Staff

Part-time: Mr. Cunnane, Director, Emergency Services; Mr. Fuentes, Associate Director ACS; Ms. St. John, Director Clinical Service; Mr. Spencer, Manager, Sexual Health; Ms. Loewen, Manager, Sexual Health; Ms. Roach, Manager, Infant Education Parent Teaching Program; Mr. Bowles, Executive Assistant to the Regional Chairman; Mr. McKay, Cost Analyst; Ms. Slee, Administrative Assistant - Council Support.

Guests: Ms. Lois Ouellette, KPMG Consultant.

OPERATIONS (STATUS REPORTS)

169. Mandatory Program 2005 Compliance – Sexual Health and Sexually Transmitted Diseases Including HIV/AIDS Programs
PHD 59-2006

Moved by Councillor Mastroianni
Seconded by Councillor Baty

That Report PHD 50-2006, August 8, 2006, respecting Mandatory Program 2005 Compliance – Sexual Health and Sexually Transmitted Diseases Including HIV/AIDS Programs, be received for information.

Carried.

(Refer To Staff Directions)

170. Infant Education and Parent Teaching Program (IEPT):
2006/2007 Service Contract Amendment 2 and
2006/2007 Service Description Schedule
PHD 60-2006

Moved by Councillor Angelone
Seconded by Councillor Hildreth

That Report PHD 60-2006, August 8, 2006, respecting Infant Education and Parent Teaching Program (IEPT): 2006/2007 Service Contract Amendment 2 and 2006/2007 Service Description Schedule, be received; and

That approval for the Infant Education and Parent Teaching Program Service Description for 2006/2007 be granted and that the Regional Chair and Clerk be authorized to sign the schedule ; and

That approval for the 2006/2007 Service Contract Amendment 2 submission for the Infant Education and Parent Teaching (IEPT) Program be granted, and that the Regional chair and Clerk be authorized to sign the Contract Amendment document.

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

171. Moved by Councillor Bailey
Seconded by Councillor Marshall

That the following communications be received for information;

PHSS 31-2006 Letter from Sudbury & District Health Unit Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer to Medical Officers of Health, July 11, 2006 respecting: Volunteer Code

PHSS 32-2006 Letter to the Regional Chair, from the Township of Wainfleet, July 18, 2006 respecting: Wainfleet Water and Sewers; comments from Marilyn Hall

PHSS 33-2006 Letter from the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, to Regional Chair, July 27, 2006 respecting: Affordable Housing Program (AHP) – Pilot Projects

PHSS 34-2006 Letter from Middlesex-London Health Unit to Regional Chair, July 27, 2006 respecting: continuation of Early Childhood Education Program and enhanced Healthy Babies Healthy Children (HBHC)

- PHSS 35-2006 Letter from Ministry of Health Promotion, July 24, 2006 respecting: Healthy Living Niagara, an initiative of the Ontario Heart Health Program
- PHSS 36-2006 Letter from Public Health Grey Bruce Health Unit to the Honourable Dalton McGuinty, July 28, 2006 respecting: a resolution regarding the National Child Benefit Supplement
- PHSS 37-2006 Letter from Public Health Grey Bruce Health Unit to the Honourable Donna Cansfield, July 28, 2006 respecting a resolution regarding Amending the Highway Traffic Act

Carried.

CLOSED SESSION

172. Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Hildreth

That this Committee do now meet in Closed Session for purpose of receiving information of a confidential nature relating to personnel and legal matters.

Carried.

173. 2005 Final Management Letter – Various Programs
PHD 62-2006 (CONFIDENTIAL)

Moved by Councillor Harry
Seconded by Councillor Marshall

That Confidential Report PHD 62-2006, August 8, 2006, respecting 2005 Final Management Letter – Various Programs, be received and that the recommendations contained therein be approved.

Carried.

174. Oral Report
Legal Matter (CONFIDENTIAL)

Moved by Councillor Angelone
Seconded by Councillor Harry

That the Confidential Oral Report respecting a Legal Matter, be received for information.

Carried.

175. Moved by Councillor Mastroianni
Seconded by Councillor Angelone

That this Committee do now rise with report.

Carried.

PLANNING AND PRIORITIES (STRATEGIC PLANNING/POLICY)

176. Approval of 2005 Public Health Financial Statements –
Various Programs
PHD 63-2006

Moved by Councillor Marshall
Seconded by Councillor Bailey

That Report PHD 63-2006, August 8, 2006, respecting, Approval of 2005 Public Health Financial Statements, be received; and

That the following Financial Statements for Public Health Programs be approved and accepted;

- General Programs for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Ontario Tobacco Strategy for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Promote Healthy Pregnancy and Child Development, and Injury and Family Abuse Prevention programs for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Healthy Babies, Healthy Children program for the year ended December 31, 2005
- Community Mental Health program for the year ended March 31, 2006

and,

That this report be forwarded to the Region's Audit Committee for information.

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS

177. Medical Officer of Health
Named Patroness of the Niagara Tunnel Project

Councillor Bailey congratulated Dr. Williams on being named the Patroness of the Niagara Tunnel Project.

Importing a European tradition to Niagara Falls, where naming a patroness is based on the religious tradition of St. Barbara who was the patron saint of miners, construction workers and engineers; officials from Strabag AG, the company building the third hydro tunnel, made the announcement of Dr. Williams' unique title during a ceremony held Tuesday, August 8th, 2006.

STAFF DIRECTIONS

That staff be directed to:

- Issue a letter to the Minister of Health stating our concerns with respect to the Early Detection of Pregnancy reporting delays (Refer to Minute Item #169)

ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 3:30 p.m., to meet again in Committee Room 4 on August 29, 2006 at 2:00 p.m

Jill Hildreth
Co-Chair

Lisa Ricci
Acting Legislative Assistant

Bruce Timms
Co-Chair

Janet Pilon
Deputy Clerk