



**County
of Huron**

Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee



Minutes - January 9, 2007

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The HEALTH, AMBULANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE met in the Auditorium of the Health and Library Complex, Clinton at 9:00 a.m. with all members present.

1. Minutes

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by N. Rintoul

That the minutes of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee meeting of December 12, 2006 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BOARD OF HEALTH

2. Report of the Director, Draft Health Unit Budget

Penny Nelligan, Director of the Health Unit, and Dr. Beth Henning, Medical Officer of Health, distributed and presented the preliminary budget for review for the information of committee and Council.

Moved by M. Scott

Seconded by B. MacLellan

That the draft Health Unit Budget be received and brought back to the February committee meeting for further review.

CARRIED

3. Report of the Medical Officer of Health

Dr. Beth Henning, Medical Officer of Health, continued the committee's orientation providing information on Public Health Liabilities for the information of the committee and Council. Councillors were requested to review the Health Protection and Promotion Act (HPPA) distributed in the Board Manuals in December for further discussion in February.

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by K. Oke

That the report be received.

CARRIED

4. Safe Water Program

Pam Scharfe, Public Health Manager, presented the attached report (Appendix A) for the information of the committee and Council.

Staff was requested to make a presentation on the County's Septic Re-inspection Program at the January 16, 2007 Committee of the Whole meeting.

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by M. Scott

That the reports be received.

CARRIED

5. Accounts and Financial Statements

Accounts for December 2006 were reviewed.

General Health Programs	\$244,548.32
Healthy Hearts	14,684.64
Huron Addiction Services	2,236.70

Financial statements for the period ending November 30, 2006 were reviewed.

HEALTH UNIT	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
General Programs	\$3,514,117	\$4,023,444	\$4,764,235	\$5,616,572	\$1,250,118	\$1,593,128
Initiatives	163,657	284,785	163,655	284,785	(2)	
Heart Health	41,065		41,064		(1)	
Huron Addiction	227,872		227,933		61	

Moved by D. Johnston

Seconded by K. Oke

That the accounts and financial statements be received.

CARRIED

AMBULANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES

6. Land Ambulance Services

David Lew, Manager of Land Ambulance Operations, presented the following reports.

- a) Administrative Update (Appendix B)

There was a lengthy discussion on the increase in staff sick time. The department continues to work with Human Resources to curb the overall increase. The tiered response agreement was also discussed at length. D. Lew announced that the move-in date for the ambulance base in Wingham is January 31, 2007 and EMS response times are down below the 90th percentile as of the end of November.

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by N. Rintoul

That the report be received.

CARRIED

Councillor K. Oke requested that the EMS Manager investigate 9-1-1 signage requirements and signage regarding private roads and report back to the committee.

b) Draft EMS Budget

The preliminary budget was distributed and presented for review for the information of committee and Council.

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt

That the draft EMS Budget be received and brought back to the February committee meeting for further review.

CARRIED

7. Accounts and Financial Statement

Emergency Medical Services accounts for December 2006 totalling \$19,917.90 were reviewed.

The financial statement for the period ending November 30, 2006 was reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Ambulance	\$2,447,265	\$2,538,690	\$6,557,447	\$6,694,110	\$4,110,182	\$4,155,420

Moved by M. Scott

Seconded by N. Rintoul

That the accounts and financial statement be received.

CARRIED

8. Report from the Social Services Department

David Overboe, Social Services Administrator, presented the following for the information of committee and Council.

a) Administrative Update (Appendix C)

The Deputy Treasurer was in attendance to discuss payments for the Ontario Disability Support Program and the Social Assistance overpayment issue. The difference in Ministry and County records is \$37,713.18. An agreement was reached and the County was not obligated to pay the difference. This report will be presented at the Committee of the Whole on January 16, 2007.

Moved by K. Oke

Seconded by D. Johnston

That the report be received.

CARRIED

b) Draft Social Services Budget

The preliminary budget was distributed and presented for review for the information of committee and Council.

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by M. Scott

That the draft Social Services Budget be received and brought back to the February committee meeting for further review.

CARRIED

9. Accounts and Financial Statements

Social Housing accounts for December 2006 in the amount of \$210,363.74 were reviewed.

Financial statements for the period ending November 30, 2006 were reviewed.

	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
Social Services	\$15,233,735	\$17,072,353	\$19,457,098	\$21,476,363	\$4,223,363	\$4,404,010
Social Housing	2,051,701	2,010,157	3,214,721	3,329,819	1,163,020	1,319,662

Moved by K. Oke

Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt

That the accounts and financial statements be received.

CARRIED

10. Correspondence Attached – For Information

- a) List of Board of Health correspondence for the month of January 2007. (*Available upon request.*)
- b) Fact Sheets Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care
 - Establishment of Small Drinking Water Systems Program
 - Improvements to Public Health, Enhancing Capacity to Handle Emergencies and Strengthening Infection Control.

FOR INFORMATION

IN CAMERA

Moved by G. Robertson

Seconded by B. MacLellan

That the committee proceed "In Camera" at 1:04 p.m. to discuss personnel matters and that Larry C. Adams, D. Carey and P. Nelligan remain in attendance.

CARRIED

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by D. Shewfelt

That the committee rise from "In Camera" at 1:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt

That staff be authorized to proceed as directed In Camera.

CARRIED

11. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, February 13, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

12. Adjournment

Moved by K. Oke
Seconded by N. Rintoul
That the meeting adjourn at 1:25 p.m.

CARRIED

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Chair