



**County
of Huron**

Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee



Minutes - March 13, 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 K. Oke

That the minutes of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee meeting of February 13, 2007 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BOARD OF HEALTH

2. Report of the Director and Medical Officer of Health

Penny Nelligan, Director, presented information regarding Public Health Liabilities and the Health Protection and Promotion Act.

Moved by N. Rintoul

Seconded by M. Scott

That the report be received.

CARRIED

3. Safe Water Program

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

Moved by K. Oke

Seconded by D. Johnston

That the report be received.

CARRIED

4. Youth Program

Lori Stanley, Public Health Manager, presented the attached report (Appendix B) for the information of committee and Council.

Health Unit staff were in attendance to present work being done with respect to youth i.e. Sexual Health Issues, Nutrition, Gambling and Addiction, Community Development, and Spark, the website project. The youth group "Rebels with a Cause" were also in attendance to highlight their project on the tobacco industry's influence. Members were asked to sign the target banner. Students and parents can visit the website at www.youthspark.ca

An open question and comment period ensued. Warden D. Shewfelt complimented the youth and staff for jobs well done.

Moved by D. Johnston

Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt

That the report be received.

CARRIED

There was a general consensus that the Health Unit presentation was a valuable exercise that could benefit the whole community. It was suggested that this type of orientation presentation could be held on special presentation days or at a strategic planning day.

5. Communications Co-ordination and READ Library

Michael Dawber, Communications Coordinator, presented the attached report (Appendix C) for the information of committee and Council.

Moved by D. Johnston
Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt
That the report be received.

CARRIED

6. Accounts

Accounts for February 2007 were reviewed.

General Health Programs	\$105,253.34
Healthy Hearts	978.32
Huron Addiction Services	1,884.49

Moved by Warden D. Shewfelt
Seconded by N. Rintoul
That the accounts be received.

CARRIED

AMBULANCE AND SOCIAL SERVICES

7. Land Ambulance Services

David Lew, Manager of Land Ambulance Operations, presented the following reports for the information of committee and Council.

- a) Administrative Update (Appendix D)
- b) 4X4 Ambulance Chassis
- c) Fuel

The driving policy was highlighted and an addendum entitled, "Speeding Policy" was distributed to members that included the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care Emergency Health Services Branch Certification Standards and Documentation Standards. (*Available in the Clerk's Office upon request.*) A lengthy discussion with question and answer period ensued.

Moved by B. MacLellan
Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt
That the foregoing reports be received.

CARRIED

d) Hydrogen Fuel Injection and Kleen Oil Update (Appendix E)

The report was presented and the Manager requested direction on whether the committee wishes to continue with the previous councils recommendations as presented.

Moved by B. MacLellan

Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt

That the County implement the Kleen Oil system on the EMS Fleet.

CARRIED

There was a consensus to hold off on any decisions to implement the Hydrogen Fuel Injection System pending further information.

Moved by M. Scott

Seconded by B. MacLellan

That the report be received.

CARRIED

8. Accounts

Emergency Medical Services accounts for February 2007 totalling \$43,492.21 were reviewed.

Moved by N. Rintoul

Seconded by K. Oke

That the accounts be received.

CARRIED

9. Reports of the Social Services Department

a) Administrative Update

Dave Overboe, Social Services Administrator, presented the attached report (Appendix F) for the information of committee and Council.

It was announced that Evy McDonagh was one of the nominee's selected at Women Today in celebration of International Women's Day to be recognized for her contributions, time, energy and expertise in our Community.

During the Housing Services Division portion of the report it was noted that the Social Housing Services Corporation is seeking nominations from the County for representation on its board of directors. Councillor J. Bezaire expressed interest in submitting a board nomination form.

The Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation, Contribution Agreement, regarding seed funding was also noted.

Moved by K. Oke

Seconded by D. Johnston

That the Warden and Clerk be authorized to sign the contribution agreement with Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation for seed funding in the form of a \$10,000 grant to proceed with the affordable housing project in the County of Huron in the range of 8 to 30 units; and further that staff be directed to proceed with the eligible activities as outlined in the agreement.

CARRIED

Moved by D. Johnston

Seconded by Warden D. Shewfelt

That the report be received.

CARRIED

b) Huron County Housing Services

Don Brisson, Manager of Housing Services, submitted the attached report (Appendix G) entitled, "Public Tender, Replacement of 14 Gas Furnaces" for the information of committee and Council.

It is recommended that Public Tender (HC) 2007-01 be awarded to the low qualified bidder for the replacement of gas furnaces at fourteen (14) family units in Goderich.

Moved by M. Scott

Seconded by B. MacLellan

That the recommendation be approved.

CARRIED

10. Accounts

Social Housing accounts for February 2007 in the amount of \$181,232.44 were reviewed.

Moved by N. Rintoul

Seconded by M. Scott

That the accounts be received.

CARRIED

11. Correspondence Attached – For Information

- a) List of Board of Health correspondence for the month of August 2007. (*Available upon request.*)
- b) February 2007, "For the health of it - a newsletter for the workplace" and the 2005 Annual Report Huron County Health Unit (Distributed to members under separate cover.)

- c) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, John Gerretsen, Minister re: Canada-Ontario Affordable Housing Program, Service Manager Administration Agreement:
 - Ø Service Manager Funding Deliver - Rental and Supportive Component
 - Ø Homeownership Component and up to \$126,000 funding.
 - Ø Provincial Rent Bank Program, County will receive \$10,000.
- d) Ford, 2007 Econoline Diesel Announcement, February 6, 2007.
- e) CUPE Announcement, February 26, 2007 re: Cornwall and Region Paramedics on strike.

FOR INFORMATION

12. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Health, Ambulance and Social Services Committee is scheduled for Tuesday, April 10, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

13. Adjournment

Moved by M. Scott

Seconded by N. Rintoul

That the meeting adjourn at 12:50 p.m.

CARRIED

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Chair