



# Board of Health

Minutes - October 1, 2009

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## BOARD OF HEALTH

Clinton, Ontario.  
October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2009.

The Board of Health met in the Auditorium at the Health Unit in Clinton on the 1<sup>st</sup> of October, 2009. Chair B. MacLellan called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m. All members of the Board of Health were present.

### MOTION:

Moved by: Member D. Johnston and Seconded by: Member N. Rintoul:

### THAT:

The minutes of the Board of Health meeting of September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

Dr. Cameron presented long term service awards to the following Health Unit employees:

Amanda Fisher – 10 years

Debra Primeau – 10 years

Rhea Hamilton-Seeger – 20 years

The following Health Unit employees were unavailable to be presented with their long term service awards:

Tanya Sangster – 10 years

Susan Hart – 10 years

Theresa Wammers-Glavin – 10 years

Anne Haley – 20 years

### MOTION:

Moved by: Member B. Dykstra and Seconded by: Member R. Rognvaldson:

### THAT:

The Board of Health do now go into a closed session at 9:10 a.m. under Section 239 of the Municipal Act, 2001 as amended to discuss an item which relates to:

- labour relations or employee negotiations;
- personal matters about an identifiable individual including municipal or local board employees;

### AND FURTHER THAT:

The following remain in attendance: Director of Human Resources Darcy Michaud, Dr. Nancy Cameron, Business Manager Brad Lucas and Clerk Barbara L. Wilson. Business Manager Brad Lucas left the Closed to the Public Session at 10:06 a.m.

CARRIED

### MOTION:

Moved by: Member B. Dykstra and Seconded by: Member N. Vincent:

### THAT:

The Board of Health rise from "Closed to the Public Session" at 10:26 a.m.

CARRIED

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and the General Nature Thereof:  
There were no declarations of pecuniary conflict of interest.

**Board Member's Issues:**

Member B. Dykstra inquired about the County moving forward with the Mandatory Septic Re-inspection program. He had recently attended a Water Protection Steering Committee and was concerned about source water protection as it relates to septic inspections.

There was some discussion regarding a Report from Dr. Cameron that was considered at the August 6<sup>th</sup> Board of Health meeting. A recommendation that the Board of Health defer any action on a mandatory septic re-inspection program for the County of Huron until such time as the regulations are in place under the Clean Water Act was approved at the August 6<sup>th</sup> Board of Health meeting. This recommendation was approved by County Council at their September 2nd Council meeting. This Report will be reviewed again at the November Board of Health meeting as there seems to be some concern by some members of County Council about the mandatory septic re-inspection program.

**Administrative Issues:**

There were no administrative issues.

**7. Advanced Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST):**

Nancy Moore, Public Health Nurse – Family Health presented a brief update on the Suicide Workshop (ASIST) for the information of the Board of Health.

Members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member J. Dietrich and Seconded by: Member N. Vincent:

THAT:

The verbal Report by Nancy Moore, Public Health Nurse – Family Health regarding the workshop entitled Advanced Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST); be received.

CARRIED

**8. Nutritious Food Basket Survey:**

Amy MacDonald, Dietitian – Community Health presented a power point presentation for the information of the Board of Health.

There was an opportunity for Board members to ask questions and a great deal of discussion ensued.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member J. Fergusson and Seconded by: Member N. Rintoul:

THAT:

The Report by Amy MacDonald, Dietician – Community Health entitled Nutritious Food Basket be received.

CARRIED

Warden Oke left the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

**9. Report of the Medical Officer of Health/CEO:**

Dr. Nancy Cameron, Medical Officer of Health/CEO presented her report for the information of the Board.

There was discussion regarding some of the items highlighted in the report by Dr. Cameron.

The H1N1 flu virus was discussed. Dr. Cameron confirmed there have been 24 deaths in the province due to the H1N1 flu virus. She advised that the Health Unit is planning for a possible outbreak of the virus with assessment centres located throughout the County.

The H1N1 Vaccine will be available for everyone who needs and wants to be immunized. There are priority groups and the vaccine will be offered to them first when it becomes available.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member N. Vincent and Seconded by: Member R. Rognvaldson:

THAT:

The Report by Dr. Nancy Cameron, the Medical Officer of Health/CEO entitled Medical Officer of Health Update be received.

CARRIED

**11. Safe Water Program:**

Bob Worsell, Public Health Manager presented a report for the information of the Board. He had DVDs available that explain Swimcast and S.A.F.E. models that are used to predict beach water quality mathematically. The DVDs are for the Board members to view at their leisure.

Board Member R. Rognvaldson inquired about the two ongoing drinking water advisories in Howick; being the Belmore Community Centre and the Howick School (a parochial school). Mr. Worsell advised that the Belmore Community Centre had received three good readings and is not under a drinking water advisory currently. The Howick School has not had three consecutive good readings and is therefore still under an Order. The students and staff at the Howick School are not using the water for drinking purposes. The school has posted signs to advise the water is not for drinking. The school is considering a new system for the well on the school property.

A question was asked if there are better programs for beach water quality. Mr. Worsell was confident in the system used by the Health Unit. They are working on improvements for next summer in terms of posting the beach water results more frequently. The best factor for determining if the water is safe to swim in is; if you stand in one metre of water and you can see your feet, it would appear to be safe for swimming. He also offered suggestions of not submerging in the beach water and washing once you have finished swimming for the day are also alternative options for safe swimming.

Member J. Fergusson left the meeting at 11:48 a.m.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member D. Johnston and Seconded by: Member Dykstra:

THAT:

The Report by Bob Worsell, Public Health Manager entitled Safe Water Program be received.

CARRIED

**Accounts and Financial Statements:**

Financial statements for the period ending, August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 will be reviewed.

HEALTH UNIT	REVENUE		EXPENDITURES		COUNTY CONTRIBUTION	
	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated	Actual	Prorated
General Programs	3,049,624	3,348,635	3,700,735	4,685,323	651,111	1,336,688
Heart Health	9,988		9,988			
Huron Addiction Services	171,252		173,287		2,035	
Ontario School Nutrition Program	32,853	34,833	32,853	34,833	0	0

MOTION:

Moved by: Member N. Vincent and Seconded by: Member B. Dykstra:

THAT:

The financial statements as of August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2009 be received.

CARRIED

**Business Arising from the Minutes:**

The following Motion was tabled at the September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2009 Board of Health Meeting:

*“The Motion for a representative from the Health Unit to be at each County Council meeting be tabled until the next Board of Health meeting”.*

MOTION:

Moved by: Member N. Vincent and Seconded by: Member B. Dykstra:

THAT:

The Board of Health agree that a representative from the Health Unit be in attendance at each County Council meeting.

DEFEATED

Correspondence had been received in the County Administration office on Friday September 25<sup>th</sup>, after the Board of Health Agendas had been delivered to the Board members. The correspondence was from the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care entitled 2008 Physician Services Agreement – MOH/AMOH Compensation Initiative. The correspondence outlined the 2008 Physician Services Agreement that will increase the compensation levels for eligible

Medical Officers of Health and Associate Medical Officers of Health. There was a brief discussion regarding the information included in the correspondence.

MOTION:

Moved by: Member J. Dietrich and seconded by: Member N. Vincent:

THAT:

The Board of Health confirm the direction given to staff in closed to the public session.

CARRIED

**Next Meeting:**

The next meeting of Board of Health will be on Thursday November 5<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 9:00 a.m. at the Health Unit in Clinton.

**Adjournment:**

MOTION:

Moved by: Member J. Dietrich and Seconded by: Member D. Johnston:

THAT:

The Board of Health meeting adjourn at 11:57 a.m.

CARRIED

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Chair B. MacLellan