



**Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit
Special Board of Health Agenda Minutes**

March 22, 2021

1:00p.m.

Council Chambers*

*meeting held electronically

Present: Board Chair Kristal Chopp, Tom Masschaele, Michael Columbus, Chris Van Paassen, Ryan Taylor, Amy Martin, Kim Huffman

Absent with Regrets: Ian Rabbitts

Also Present: Jason Burgess, Kevin Klingenberg, Erin Anderson, Thomas Agnew

Approval of Agenda/Changes to the Agenda (Item 1)

1. **(Martin/Taylor)**
THAT the agenda of the Board of Health be approved.

Carried.

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest (Item 2)

Closed Session (Item 3)

2. **(Van Paassen/Huffman)**
THAT the Board enter closed session at 1:05 PM to address the following matter:

A) Discussion item: Legal correspondence about identifiable individual(s)

Pursuant to Section 239 (2) (b)(d)(e) (f) of the Municipal Act, 2001 as the subject matter relates to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees; labour relations or employee negotiations; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the municipality or local board; advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege including communications necessary for that purpose.

Carried.

3. (Martin/Masschaele)

THAT Council in Committee reconvene in open session at 2:42 P.M.

Carried.

4. (Huffman/Taylor)

WHEREAS Section 4 of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* requires that every Board of Health,

(a) shall superintend, provide or ensure the provision of the health programs and services required by this Act and the regulations to the persons who reside in the health unit served by the board; and

(b) shall perform such other functions as are required by or under this or any other Act. R.S.O. 1990, c. H.7, s. 4;

WHEREAS section 5 of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* requires that every Board of Health shall superintend, provide or ensure the provision of health programs and services in the following areas:

1. Community sanitation, to ensure the maintenance of sanitary conditions and the prevention or elimination of health hazards.

1.1 The provision of safe drinking water by small drinking water systems.

2. Control of infectious diseases and diseases of public health significance, including provision of immunization services to children and adults.

3. Health promotion, health protection and disease and injury prevention, including the prevention and control of cardiovascular disease, cancer, AIDS and other diseases.

4. Family health, including, i. counselling services, ii. family planning services, iii. health services to infants, pregnant women in high risk health categories and the elderly, iv. preschool and school health services, including dental services, v. screening programs to reduce the morbidity and mortality of disease, vi. tobacco use prevention programs, and vii. nutrition services;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED,

THAT the Haldimand-Norfolk Board of Health has serious concerns about our present ability to meet our legal obligations under the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* and request an urgent meeting with the Provincial Minister of Health and Provincial Chief Medical Officer of Health;

AND THAT the Board of Health direct the Chair to communicate with the Minister of Health about the Board of Health's request for an urgent meeting;

AND FURTHER THAT the Haldimand-Norfolk Board of Health requests that the Board Clerk immediately notify our local MPP, Toby Barrett, so that he may assist in arranging the meeting with the provincial representatives and be informed of the Board of Health's concerns.

Carried.

5. (Masschaele/Taylor)

THAT the Board of Health directs the Chair to engage independent legal counsel with expertise in administrative law and in particular with *Health Protection and Promotion Act* in order to provide independent legal advice to the Board of Health;

AND THAT The Board of Health authorizes the Chair to utilize single source or modified procurement measures to obtain independent legal counsel;

AND FURTHER THAT The Board directs the Chair to work with the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager of Corporate Services to ensure that appropriate procurement measures are undertaken.

Carried.

Confirming By-law (Item 4)

4. (Van Paassen/Columbus)

THAT By-Law 2021-09-BH Being a By-Law to Confirm the Proceedings of The Special Board of Health for the Haldimand-Norfolk Health Unit at this Board of Health Meeting held on the 22nd of March, 2021 be approved, signed by the Chair and Board Clerk and affixed with the Corporate Seal.

Adjournment (Item 5)

5. (Martin/Taylor)

THAT the Board of Health be adjourned at 2:46 P.M.

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