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Windsor, Ontario May 6, 2015

A meeting of the **Social Development, Health and Culture Standing Committee** is held this day commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in Council Chambers there being present the following members:

Councillor Sleiman (Chair)
Councillor Borrelli
Councillor Bortolin
Councillor Elliott
Councillor Gignac

Also present are the following from Administration:

Jelena Payne, Community Development and Health Commissioner
Janice Wilson, Executive Director, Recreation & Culture
Alina Sirbu, Administrator, Huron Lodge
Debbie Cercone, Executive Director of Housing & Children Services
Bruno Ierullo, Executive Director of Employment & Social Services
Mary Ellen Bernard, Manager of Social Policy & Planning
Sandra Bradt, Executive Initiatives Coordinator
Sandra Gebauer, Council Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Deputy City Clerk calls the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None disclosed.

3. ADOTPION OF THE MINUTES

Moved by Councillor Gignac, seconded by Councillor Bortolin,
THAT the minutes of the meeting of the Social Development, Health & Culture Standing Committee held April 8, 2015 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.
Carried.

4. REQUEST FOR DEFERRALS, REFERRALS OR WITHDRAWALS

None requested.

5. **COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

6. **PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS**

Pathway to Potential presentation on the National Poverty Reduction Summit in Ottawa.

Laura Tucker and Adam Vasey from Pathway to Potential appear before the committee via Skype from Ottawa, where they are attending the National Poverty Reduction Summit, to provide a brief presentation about the Summit.

Salient Points of Discussion regarding the National Poverty Reduction Summit in Ottawa are as follows:

- Every Province and Territory and over 50 cities are represented at the Summit.
- There is a great momentum at the Summit around ensuring that all provinces, territories, cities and communities have poverty reduction initiatives and one of the main goals is to get the Federal Government to have a national anti-poverty strategy as a way enhance what is happening at the community level.
- It is estimated that over 100 cities are now using the model that Pathway to Potential is using; the multi-sector collaborative approach at addressing poverty. Many communities are learning from Windsor Essex.

Moved by Councillor Bortolin, seconded by Councillor Borrelli,
That the verbal presentation of the Director of Pathway to Potential, on the National Poverty Summit in Ottawa **BE RECEIVED** for information.
Carried.

Windsor Essex County Health Unit presentation on Programs and Services.

Dr. Gary Kirk, Medical Officer of Health, Dr. Wajid Ahmed, Associate Medical Officer of Health, Nicole Dupuis, Director of Health Promotion, and Teresa Marentette, Director of Health appear before the committee to provide a presentation about their Programs and Services.

Salient points of discussion regarding the Windsor Essex County Health Unit Programs and Services are as follows:

- The recent media coverage regarding the possible cancer cluster in the Remington Park area was discussed. Dr. Kirk confirmed that the Health Unit was contacted by a citizen and the concern prompted an investigation.
- The Windsor Essex County Health Unit's authority is to call an investigation, conduct the discovery and report the findings.
- Health Unit is currently following a very methodical scientific process during the investigation and once it is concluded the City of Windsor will be notified as the findings will be made public. Investigations are not always determined to be cancer clusters.
- The Committee discussed the Smoking legislation which was amended effective January 1, 2015 and which includes changes in areas such as sports fields, playgrounds and bar and restaurant patios. Many municipal by-laws have been amended also.
- The role of the public health nurses in the schools was discussed. Windsor Essex County Health Unit currently has 10 public health nurses and the ratio is 1:15. The nurses go to every school throughout the year and work with principals, teachers and students to help them identify the wellness goals within schools and provide resources, advice and curriculum support. They also meet regularly with local school board designate.
- The absence of fluoride in the drinking water and the effects are being monitored. The Health Unit is working with Public Health Ontario and is compiling decayed missing and filled teeth data (DMF) to bring back near or at the end of the 5 year moratorium.
- Vaccinations were discussed and it was stated that the current opt out rate for vaccines sits at around 4% and while education is done to raise awareness and the level of knowledge within the community, the option to opt out is available and it is up to the Province to change it.

Moved by Councillor Borrelli, seconded by Councillor Bortolin,
That the presentation of the Windsor-Essex County Health Unit on
Programs and Services **BE RECEIVED** for information.
Carried.

7. **COMMITTEE MATTERS**

Minutes of the Board of Directors, Willistead Manor Inc. meeting held March 12, 2015

Moved by Councillor Borrelli, seconded by Councillor Bortolin,
That the minutes of the Willistead Manor Inc. Board of Directors meeting held March 12, 2015 **BE RECEIVED** for information.
Carried.

Report No. 92 of the Board of Directors, Willistead Manor Inc. (appointment of Vice Chairman)

Moved by Councillor Borrelli, seconded by Councillor Bortolin,
That the following person **BE APPOINTED** Vice Chairman of the Board of Directors of Willistead Manor Inc. for the term ending August 17, 2016:

Vice Chairman - D. Sanborn
Carried.

Minutes of the Committee of Management for Huron Lodge Long Term Care Home meeting held March 6, 2015

Moved by Councillor Borrelli, seconded by Councillor Bortolin
THAT the minutes of the Committee of Management for Huron Lodge Long Term Care Home meeting held March 6, 2015 **BE RECEIVED** for information.
Carried.

8. **ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS**

Item 1 Update on the Windsor Essex 10 Year Housing and Homelessness Plan – Initiatives related to the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) and the Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS)

Moved by Councillor Borrelli, seconded by Councillor Gignac,
THAT the report of the Coordinator, Housing Administration & Development dated April 1, 2015 entitled “Update on the Windsor Essex 10 Year Housing and Homelessness Plan – Initiatives related to the Community Homelessness Prevention Initiative (CHPI) and the Homelessness Partnering Strategy (HPS)” **BE RECEIVED** for information.
Carried.

9. **QUESTION PERIOD**

11. **ADJOURNMENT & DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 10:34 o'clock a.m. The next meeting of the Social Development, Health & Culture Standing Committee will be held on June 3, 2015 at 9:00 o'clock a.m. in Council Chambers.



CHAIR



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