

**THE CITY OF TORONTO**

**Clerk's Department**

**Minutes of the Board of Health**

**Meeting No. 15**

**Tuesday, December 8, 1998.**

The Board of Health met on Tuesday, December 8, 1998, in Committee Room C, 2nd Floor, Metro Hall, Toronto, commencing at 2:00 p.m.

Members Present:

Councillor John Filion, Chair  
Councillor Gerry Altobello  
Councillor Irene Jones  
Councillor Joan King  
Councillor Joe Mihevc  
Councillor Michael Prue  
Elca Rennick  
Robert Davies

**153. Extreme Cold Weather Response**

The Board of Health had before it a report (December 7, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health recommending that the Medical Officer of Health, in conjunction with the Designated Alert Team (DAT), continue to call the Extreme Cold Weather Alert under the modified conditions outlined in this report.

Liz Janzen, Regional Director, Public Health Division; John Jagt, Director of Hostel Services, Community and Neighbourhood Services and Chris Bilinger, Manager, Community Services Grants Program, Community and Neighbourhood Services, gave a presentation to the Board of Health on this report, and the following persons addressed the Board with respect to this matter:

- Harvey Manning, Anishnawbe Street Patrol; and
- Karl Schmidt.

On motion by Elca Rennick, the Board of Health adopted the report (December 7, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Medical Officer of Health - December 9, 1998)

**154. Public Health Year 2000 Project Update**

The Board of Health had before it a report (November 25, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health recommending that the Board of Health receive this report for information.

The Board of Health adopted the report (November 25, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Medical Officer of Health - December 9, 1998)

**155. Healthy Parenting Program**

The Board of Health had before it a report (November 26, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health recommending that the Board of Health refer this report to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Board of Health received the report (November 26, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health for information, and forwarded a copy to the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee.

(Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee)

**156. Toronto Food Policy Council Nominees**

The Board of Health had before it a report (November 23, 1998) from the Coordinator, Toronto Food Policy Council recommending:

- (1) that the following be appointed to the Toronto Food Policy Council until November 30, 2000, and until their successors are appointed:

From community food networks: Halima Arman, Better Beginnings  
Now North East North York Work  
Group

Adrienne Johnson, Scarborough  
Hunger Coalition

From a social justice/social policy  
or housing network: Karen Wirsig, Community Social  
Planning Council of Toronto;

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- (2) that Kathryn Scharf be appointed a full member of the Toronto Food Policy Council, instead of an alternate member, and that Debbie Field be designated as her alternate, instead of a full member; and
- (3) that Victor Daniel and Kathryn Scharf be appointed Community Co-chairs, and Councillor Pam McConnell be appointed Councillor Co-chair, of the Toronto Food Policy Council.

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Board of Health reports having taken the following action and notice of its action in this respect be forwarded to City Council for its information:

- (1) appointed the following persons to the Toronto Food Policy Council for a term of office expiring November 30, 2000, and until their successors are appointed:
  - (a) from community food networks:
    - Halina Arman, North East North York Work Group;
    - Adrienne Johnson, Scarborough Hunger Coalition;
  - (b) from a social justice/social policy or housing network:
    - Karen Wirsig, Community Social Planning Council of Toronto;
  - (c) Kathryn Scharf to replace Debbie Field as a full voting member;
  - (d) Debbie Field as alternate to Kathryn Scharf; and
- (2) appointed Victor Daniel and Kathryn Scharf as Community Co-chairs, and Councillor Pam McConnell as Councillor Co-chair of the Toronto Food Policy Council.

**(Clause No. 1 of Report No. 15)**

**157. Ice Storm Emergency Response Plan**

The Board of Health had before it a report (November 25, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health recommending that the Board of Health receive this report for information.

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Board of Health adopted the report (November 25, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health.

(Medical Officer of Health - December 9, 1998)

**158. Healthy Babies, Healthy Children Program**

The Board of Health had before it a report (November 25, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health recommending that:

- (1) this report be received for information; and
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Children and Youth Action Committee and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee for information.

On motion by Councillor King, the Board of Health adopted the report (November 25, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health, and in so doing:

- (1) received this report for information; and
- (2) forwarded a copy of this report to the Children and Youth Action Committee, and the Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee, for information.

(Children and Youth Action Committee; Community and Neighbourhood Services Committee; c.c.: Medical Officer of Health - December 15, 1998)

Councillor Filion resumed the Chair.

**159. F.G. Gardiner Expressway East Dismantling Project - Air Quality Impacts**

The Board of Health had before it a report (November 23, 1998) from the Medical Officer of Health, addressed to Urban Environment and Development Committee, reporting on the potential air quality impacts associated with rehabilitating or dismantling the Gardiner Expressway East.

The Board also had before it a joint report from the General Manager, Transportation Services; Executive Director & Chief Planner, City Planning and the Medical Officer of Health reporting to the Urban Environment and Development Committee, and recommending:

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- (1) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services and the Toronto Economic Development Corporation, conduct a study of alternative rail service delivery options in the Port Area and report thereon to the Urban Environment and Development Committee no later than May 1999;
- (2) the City Solicitor be authorized to prepare a By-law to designate the area within the dashed lines shown on Figure No. 3 in Appendix No. 1 of this report as a Community Improvement Area pursuant to Section No. 28 of the Planning Act;
- (3) the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services, in consultation with the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services prepare a Community Improvement Plan for the area shown on Figure No. 3 in Appendix No. 1 of this report, and report thereon to the Urban Environment and Development Committee no later than May 1999;
- (4) the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health and the Commissioner of Urban Planning and Development Services, develop and conduct an ambient air quality monitoring program for the area bounded by Queen Street West, the Don Roadway, Commissioners Street and Leslie Street, and report thereon to the Urban Environment and Development Committee no later than May 1999;
- (5) the 1999 Transportation Capital Works Program submission for the F.G. Gardiner Expressway (Don Valley Parkway to Leslie Street), (C-TR-026) be revised from \$13.32 million to \$3.0 million and that, of the \$10.32 million deferred, \$4.5 million be reallocated to offset the reductions in 1999 transportation capital expenditures recommended by the Chief Administrative Officer and \$5.82 million be reallocated to road maintenance and rehabilitation projects previously recommended to be deferred from 1999 to 2000; and
- (6) this report be forwarded to the Board of Health for information.

The Board of Health received the foregoing reports for information.

(Medical Officer of Health; c.c.: General Manager, Transportation Services; Executive Director & Chief Planner, City Planning - December 9, 1998)

The Board of Health had before it a communication (September 30, 1998) from Jack Shapiro, TTH Trustee and Chair, TTH Community Advisory Committee, requesting the Board of Health to appoint 6 members to the Toronto Hospital Community Advisory Committee.

On motion by Robert Davies, the Board of Health referred this request to its Nominating Sub-Committee for consideration and selection of 6 persons to the Toronto Hospital Community Advisory Committee.

(Nominating Sub-Committee of the Board of Health; c.c.: Jack Shapiro, TTH Trustee and Chair, TTH Community Advisory Committee - December 15, 1998)

**161. Board of Health Reports Pending List**

The Board of Health had before it a list of outstanding reports requested.

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Board of Health received its 1998 Reports Pending List for information.

**162. Dates of Meetings for 1999**

The Board of Health approved the following dates for its next three meetings in 1999:

- Monday, January 25, 1999 at 2:00 p.m.;
- Monday, February 22, 1999 at 2:00 p.m.; and
- Tuesday, April 6, 1999 at 2:00 p.m.

(Members of the Board of Health; Medical Officer of Health; c.c.: City Clerk - December 9, 1998)

**163. Service Harmonization**

On motion by Councillor Jones, the Board of Health requested the Medical Officer of Health to report to the Board, as soon as possible, on service harmonization proposals that may be considered during the 1999 budget process.

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The meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.

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Chair.