

**BOARD OF HEALTH
AGENDA
MEETING No. 1**

Date of Meeting:	January 27, 2003	Enquiry:	Yvonne Davies
Time:	1:00 p.m.		Secretary
Location:	Committee Room No. 2		416-395-7345
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**DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST PURSUANT TO
THE MUNICIPAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ACT.**

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – November 18, 2002
[Sent to Members by electronic mail]

1. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR.

No written material

**2. PROTOCOL FOR THE CONTROL OF
MOSQUITO LARVAE TO PREVENT
AND CONTROL WEST NILE VIRUS.**

Report not yet available.

**3. TORONTO'S ENVIRONMENTAL
TOBACCO SMOKE (ETS) BY-LAW
– IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE.**

Report not yet available.

4. EVALUATION OF THE FOOD PREMISES INSPECTION AND DISCLOSURE SYSTEM.

Medical Officer of Health
(January 9, 2003)

Reporting on the outcome of a comprehensive evaluation of the Food Premises Inspection and Disclosure System (The DineSafe Program) after one full year of implementation; advising that there are no financial implications arising from this report; and recommending that:

- (1) the Board of Health reaffirm support for the current Food Premises Inspection and Disclosure System (DineSafe Program) subject to the refinements outlined in this report;
- (2) the Quality Assurance Program continue to monitor consistency and provide integrity to all programs within the Healthy Environment Service, including the Food Safety program; and
- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

5. FOOD SAFETY PROGRAM, TORONTO PUBLIC HEALTH (June 2000) FOLLOW-UP REVIEW.

City Clerk
(December 2, 2002)

Forwarding Clause No. 3 of Report No. 9 of The Audit Committee, headed "Food Safety Program, Toronto Public Health (June 2000) Follow-up Review", which was adopted without amendment, by the Council of the City of Toronto at its regular meeting held on November 26, 27 and 28, 2002 and noting that Council requested the Board of Health to institute a regular reporting process whereby the Board of Health is made aware of the actual rotation of Public Health Inspectors as part of their role.

6. PROGRESS REPORT ON THE TORONTO FOOD POLICY COUNCIL.

Medical Officer of Health
(January 6, 2003)

Providing an update to the Board of Health on the activities of the Toronto Food Policy Council; advising that there are no financial implications; and recommending that this report be received for information.

7. REDUCING THE HARMS OF ALCOHOL RELATED COLLISIONS – LOWERING THE LEGAL BLOOD ALCOHOL CONTENT LIMIT.

Medical Officer of Health
(January 6, 2003)

Seeking the Board of Health adoption of a policy position on reducing the harms of alcohol related collisions; advising that there are no financial implications resulting from the adoption of this report; and recommending that:

- (1) the Board of Health endorse the position paper entitled ‘CAMH Position on Reducing the Harms of Alcohol Related Collisions’ (July 2002) (see Appendices 1 and 2) which proposes the following:
 - (a) amending the Criminal Code of Canada to lower the current legal blood alcohol content (BAC) level from 80 mg% to 50 mg%;
 - (b) commend the Ontario Ministry of Transportation’s recent legislation related to the installation of ignition interlock devices in vehicles of those charged and convicted of drinking and driving;
 - (c) recommend to the Ontario Ministry of Consumer and Business Services that effective server training become mandatory for all alcohol servers in licensed establishments, with a particular emphasis on preventing the sale of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons; and
- (2) this report and the attached position paper be forwarded to the Ontario Ministers of Transportation, Consumer and Business Services, Health and Long-Term Care, and Public Safety and Security, and to the Attorney General of Ontario, the Premier of Ontario, the Solicitor General of Canada, and the Minister of Justice and Attorney-General of Canada;
- (3) this report and the attached position paper be forwarded to local boards of health in Ontario, as well as to the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (ALPHA), the Ontario Public Health Association (OPHA), the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO), and the Toronto Police Services Board, that they be encouraged to endorse the attached position paper;
- (4) this report and the Board of Health’s position on this be forwarded to the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH) for information; and
- (5) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

8. REDUCING EMISSIONS FROM RESIDENTIAL WOOD-BURNING APPLIANCES.

Medical Officer of Health
(December 24, 2002)

Summarizing the impact of emissions from fireplaces and wood stoves on health on the City of Toronto and investigating policy options available to reduce air pollution from wood-burning appliances; advising that there are no financial implications associated with this report; and recommending that:

- (1) the Board of Health:
 - (a) commend the Federal and Ontario Ministers of Environment for their commitment to significantly reduce emissions from residential wood-burning appliances, and request implementation of the Joint Initial Actions agreed upon under the Canada-wide Standards for Particulate Matter (PM) and Ozone, by 2005;
 - (b) request the Federal Minister of Environment to include the characterization of emissions from burning artificial logs, and assessment of their performance as a clean fuel for residential wood-burning appliances, as an additional focus of the Intergovernmental Working Group on Residential Wood Combustion (IGWGRWC);
 - (c) request the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing to include provisions in the Ontario Building Code that require that newly installed residential fireplaces and wood stoves meet the low-emission certification requirements of the Canadian Standards Association or the US Environmental Protection Agency;
 - (d) request the Commissioner of Works and Emergency Services, as Chair of the Toronto Inter-departmental Environment Committee, to ensure that the City's Air Quality Strategy includes consideration of measures that can be taken to reduce emissions of, and exposure to, residential wood smoke; and
 - (e) request the Medical Officer of Health to continue to support educational initiatives that aim to reduce air pollution and health impacts from residential wood burning;
- (2) this report be forwarded to the Federal and Ontario Ministers of Environment, the Federal Minister of Natural Resources, the Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, the Ontario and Canadian Lung Associations, the Ontario Public Health Association, the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, the Association of Municipalities of Ontario, the Association of Local Public Health Agencies, and

the City's Department of Works and Emergency Services, for their information and action as appropriate; and

- (3) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

8(a). Air Pollution Coalition of Ontario
(October 30, 2002)

Requesting to address the Board of Health with respect to the public health issues of migraines in relation to air pollution.

9. DISSEMINATION OF PCB STORAGE SITE INFORMATION TO THE PUBLIC.

Medical Officer of Health
(December 27, 2002)

Reporting on a mechanism to allow the public at large to have access to information on the locations of PCB storage sites in Toronto, and to request the province to ensure that PCB destruction methods meet new international obligations; advising that there are no financial implications arising from this report; and recommending:

- (1) the Board of Health urge the Ontario Minister of the Environment, in keeping with international obligations under the Stockholm Convention on Persistent Organic Pollutants, to move expeditiously to amend Ontario Regulation 362 to mandate the destruction of PCBs in storage and to ensure that the following criteria for destruction are met: destruction efficiency of effectively 100% of all PCBs; complete containment of all residues and wastes; and no uncontrolled releases to the environment; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

10. NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON MIGRATION HEALTH "TOWARDS A MIGRATION HEALTH FRAMEWORK FOR THE 21ST CENTURY".

Medical Officer of Health
(January 7, 2003)

Providing information on a national conference addressing migration and health in Canada sponsored by Toronto Public Health and the Association of Local Public Health Agencies in Ottawa, Ontario on March 25 and 26, 2003; advising that costs to the City

are limited to staff time for a Board of Health representative and travel costs estimated at \$1,200.00 to be provided in the 2003 operating base budget; and recommending that:

- (1) the Board of Health approve the attendance of the Chair (or designate) to the National Conference on Migration Health, in Ottawa, March 25 & 26, 2003; and
- (2) the appropriate City officials be authorized and directed to take the necessary action to give effect thereto.

IN CAMERA: In accordance with the Municipal Act, a motion is required for the Board of Health to meet privately and the reason must be stated:

11. APPOINTMENT OF 2003 PUBLIC HEALTH GRANTS REVIEW PANELS.

Medical Officer of Health
(January 8, 2003)

Reporting on appointing members to the Public Health Grants Review Panels for AIDS and Drug Prevention; advising that there are no financial implications resulting from this report.

(Report distributed to Members only)

12. FINES FOR DOGS OFF LEASH.

Medical Officer of Health
(January 8, 2003)

Providing information on fines for dogs off-leash, the current by-law and enforcement levels as they relate to compliance with the by-law; advising that there are no direct financial implications resulting from this report; and recommending that this report be received for information.

13. COYOTE RESPONSE STRATEGY.

Medical Officer of Health
(January 8, 2003)

Providing a coyote response strategy for the City of Toronto; advising that there are no financial implications resulting from this report; and recommending that this report be received for information.

14. MUNICIPAL ACT 2001, IMPLEMENTATION.

Medical Officer of Health
(January 8, 2003)

Describing the status of activities to prepare the City for the implementation of the Municipal Act, with specific reference to matters of interest to the Board of Health; advising that there are no financial implications stemming directly from this report; and recommending that the Board of Health receive this report for information.

15. ONTARIO SELECT COMMITTEE ON ALTERNATIVE FUELS SOURCES.

Acting Co-Chair, Toronto Food Policy Council
(January 8, 2003)

Forwarding a statement on the Select Committee's report that was adopted by the Toronto Food Policy Council, at its meeting in November, 2002.

16. LOCAL HEALTH COMMITTEE MINUTES.

- (a). Minutes of the Midtown Local Health Committee meeting held on June 24, 2002;
- (b). Minutes of the Etobicoke Local Health Committee meeting held on September 16, 2002;
- (c). Minutes of the Etobicoke Local Health Committee meeting held on October 3, 2002;
- (d). Minutes of the Humber-York Local Health Committee meeting held on September 19, 2002;
- (e). Minutes of the North York Local Health Committee meeting held on September 25, 2002;
- (f). Minutes of the North York Local Health Committee meeting held on November 26, 2002; and
- (g). Minutes of the Scarborough Local Health Committee meeting held on September 17, 2002.