Present: Mayor F. Eisenberger, Chair 
S. Merulla, Deputy Mayor (Vice-Chair) 
Absent with regrets: Councillors B. Clark, Personal M. McCarthy, Other City business 
Also Present: C. Murray, City Manager Dr. E. Richardson, MOH R. Rossini, GM, Finance and Corporate Services D. Barr-Elliott, Director, Healthy Living Division T. Bendo, Director, Planning and Continuous Improvement Division R. Hall, Director, Health Protection Branch D. Sheehan, Director, Family Health Division I. Bedioui, Legislative Assistant, City Clerk’s 

1. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA 

The Clerk advised there were no changes to the agenda. 

(Pasuta/Pearson) That the agenda be approved as presented. 

CARRIED
2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the December 7, 2009 Budget Meeting

(Powers/Pearson)
That the Minutes of the December 7, 2009 meeting be adopted as presented.

CARRIED

4. CONSENT ITEMS

None

5. STAFF PRESENTATIONS

None

6. DISCUSSION ITEMS

6.1 2010 Non-Recommended Program Reduction – Public Health Services - BOH10001 (City Wide)

Doctor Richardson provided a brief overview of the report.

A discussion followed which included but was not limited to the following:

- The reduction of the PRED Program would have the least impact overall;
- However, approving the reduction would:
  - result in the loss of the 50% Provincial funding;
  - impact research;
  - interfere with Public Health Services making evidence based decisions;
  - and, eliminate the completion of other studies;
- These programs help the most vulnerable (i.e. child blood lead study);
1. It is preferable to not make cuts to the Public Health Services budget;
2. This should be considered from a Board of Health standpoint rather than from solely a financial standpoint;
3. Consider cutting the number of managers rather than programs.

After some debate, the Board approved the following:

(Merulla/McHattie)
That Report BOH10001 entitled 2010 Non-Recommended Program Reduction – Public Health Services be received.

This motion CARRIED on the following votes:

Yeas: Eisenberger, Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Jackson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Pasuta, Mitchell, Pearson, Powers and Whitehead
Total: 13

Nays: Ferguson
Total: 1

Absent: Clark and McCarthy
Total: 2

6.2 2010 Tax Supported Operating Budget – Public Health Services (FCS09120e) (City Wide) (Referred from the December 7, 2009 Board of Health meeting.)

The Board briefly discussed the report and asked staff whether there is any duplication of duties and whether there are opportunities to decrease the number of managers. The Board also asked about the functions of the following divisions: Child Health, Surveillance Unit and West Nile Virus, Rabies Investigation.

Staff explained that the Department has already undergone a reorganization and there has been some consolidation of duties. Also, any cuts to staff would result in the loss of the corresponding Provincial funding.

The Board approved the staff recommendation as follows:

(Powers/Morelli)
(a) That the 2010 net operating levy for Public Health Services be approved at $9,284,491; and

(b) That the Medical Officer of Health be authorized and
directed to execute all statutory 2010 Federal and Provincial Program Service Level Funding Agreements and Contracts for Public Health Services. This also includes the authority to authorize the submission of budgets and quarterly/year end reporting.

This Item CARRIED on the following votes:

Yeas: Eisenberger, Bratina, Collins, Duvall, Jackson, McHattie, Merulla, Morelli, Pasuta, Pearson, Powers and Whitehead
Total: 12

Nays: Ferguson and Mitchell
Total: 2

Absent: Clark and McCarthy
Total: 2

Councillor Collins asked about the status of the previously requested information respecting the total current vacancies in the entire organization. Rob Rossini advised that an update will be presented to the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

7. MOTIONS

None

8. NOTICES OF MOTIONS

None

9. GENERAL INFORMATION/OTHER BUSINESS

Councillor McHattie enquired about the status of the Residential Care Facilities By-law and particularly staff’s response to the concerns raised by the stakeholders. Staff indicated that they will send an e-mail providing an update to all members of the Board.

10. PRIVATE AND CONFIDENTIAL

None
11 ADJOURNMENT

(Pearson/Jackson)
That the meeting be adjourned at 2:15 p.m.

CARRIED

Respectfully submitted,

Mayor F. Eisenberger, Chair
Board of Health

Ida Bedioui
Legislative Assistant
Board of Health
January 14, 2010