



**Minutes Of Joint Services
Steering Committee
June 14, 2012
General Committee Room
City Hall**



The meeting was called to order at 3:45 p.m. in the General Committee Room, City Hall.

Present:

Warden J. Murray Jones, County of Peterborough
Councillor Ron Gerow, County of Peterborough
Councillor Andy Mitchell, County of Peterborough
Councillor Jim Whelan, County of Peterborough
Mayor Daryl Bennett, City of Peterborough
Councillor Andrew Beamer, City of Peterborough, chair
Councillor Henry Clarke, City of Peterborough, 4:22 p.m.
Councillor Len Vass, City of Peterborough

Staff:

Gary King, Chief Administrative Officer, County of Peterborough
John Butler, Director of Finance/Treasurer, County of Peterborough
Brian Horton, Chief Administrative Officer, City of Peterborough
Ken Doherty, Director of Community Services, City of Peterborough
Patricia Lester, City Solicitor, Director of Legal Services, City of Peterborough
Sandra Clancy, Director of Corporate Services, City of Peterborough
Linda Mitchelson, Manager, Social Services, City of Peterborough
Susan Bacque, Manager of Housing, City of Peterborough
Craig Adams, Capital Planning Analyst, Housing Division, City of Peterborough
Dorothy Olver, Program Manager, Housing Division, City of Peterborough
John Coreno, Financial Assistance Program Manager, Social Services, City of Peterborough
John Kennedy, City Clerk, City of Peterborough

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Resolution to meet in Closed Session

Moved by Mayor Bennett, seconded by Councillor Mitchell

That Committee move into closed session to discuss one item under Section 239(2)(b) Personal Matters About An Individual, Including Municipal Or Local Board Employees

"CARRIED"

Open Session

Moved by Mayor Bennett, seconded by Warden Jones

That Committee move into open session.

"CARRIED"

Committee moved into open session at 3:50 p.m.

Minutes of the Meetings of March 8 and April 11, 2012

Moved by Councillor Whelan, seconded by Councillor Gerow

That the minutes of the meetings of March 8 and April 11, 2012, be approved.

"CARRIED"

Disclosure of Interest

There were no Disclosures of Interest.

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Report of Closed Session

EMS Changes to Job Titles

Patti Kraft, Director of Human Resources, County of Peterborough

Moved by Mayor Bennett, seconded by Warden Jones

That Joint Services Steering Committee approves that:

- 1) The job title of Chief – EMS be changed effective July 30, 2012 to Chief of Paramedics;
- 2) The job title of Deputy Chief – EMS be changed effective July 30, 2012 to Deputy Chief of Paramedics

"CARRIED"

Minutes for Information

Moved by Councillor Vass, seconded by Councillor Gerow

That the AHAC (Affordable Housing Action Committee) minutes of January 13, 2012 be received for information.

"CARRIED"

Report PLHDJSSC12-004

Peterborough Renovates Program

**Malcolm Hunt, Director of Planning and Development Services,
City of Peterborough**

Susan Bacque, Manager of Housing, City of Peterborough provided an overview of the program.

Moved by Councillor Whelan, seconded by Mayor Bennett

That Joint Services Steering Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report PLHDJSSC12-004 dated June 14, 2012, of the Director of Planning and Development Services, as follows:

That Report PLHDJSSC12-004 Peterborough Renovates Program be received for information.

"CARRIED"

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**Report PLHDJSSC12-002
Housing and Homelessness Plan Project
Malcolm Hunt, Director of Planning and Development Services,
City of Peterborough**

Susan Bacque, Manager of Housing, City of Peterborough provided an overview of the project.

Moved by Councillor Vass, seconded by Mayor Bennett

That Joint Services Steering Committee endorse the recommendations outlined in Report PLHDJSSC12-002 dated June 14, 2012, of the Director of Planning and Development Services, as follows:

- a) **That staff issue a Request for Proposals to solicit consultant services to complete the Housing and Homelessness Plan;**
- b) **That staff from the Housing and Social Service Divisions collaborate and report back to Joint Services Steering Committee and City Council on the details of the consolidation of six provincial housing and homelessness programs, once details are known and recommendations can be made concerning use of the new program.**

“CARRIED”

**Report CSSSJSSC12-004
Discretionary Benefit Report
Ken Doherty, Director of Community Services, City of Peterborough**

Moved by Mayor Bennett, seconded by Councillor Vass

That the Joint Services Steering Committee endorse the recommendations outlined in Report CSSSJSSC12-004 dated June 14, 2012, of the Director of Community Services, as follows:

- a) **That the presentation on the Discretionary Benefit policy and impact of changes in the provincial funding cap be received.**

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- b) That letters be sent from the Mayor and Warden to the Premier, appropriate provincial ministers and local MPPs to advocate for basic health benefits be fully funded and delivered by the provincial government and available to low income individuals and further to request allocations to the Consolidated Housing and Homelessness Fund anticipated for 2013 take into consideration the impact of reducing mandatory and discretionary housing benefits and the local housing needs in the municipality.

- d) That Option 2, which reduces the current range of benefits as outlined in Schedule A of the discretionary benefit policy to only include the following health related benefits: adult dental, dentures, hearing aids, adult vision care and funeral and burial expenses be approved at an increased City municipal cost of \$77,868 for 2012. There is no additional County municipal cost required.

Mayor Bennett and Councillor Vass withdrew their motion.

Moved by Councillor Vass, seconded by Councillor Clarke

That recommendations a), b), c) and f) be adopted from Report CSSSJSSC12-004 as follows:

- a) **That the presentation on the Discretionary Benefit policy and impact of changes in the provincial funding cap be received.**

- b) **That letters be sent from the Mayor and Warden to the Premier, appropriate provincial ministers and local MPPs to advocate for basic health benefits be fully funded and delivered by the provincial government and available to low income individuals and further to request allocations to the Consolidated Housing and Homelessness Fund anticipated for 2013 take into consideration the impact of reducing mandatory and discretionary housing benefits and the local housing needs in the municipality.**

- c) **That Option 1, which continues the current range of benefits as outlined in Schedule A of the discretionary benefit policy and will require additional municipal investment of \$300,140 from the City and \$14,368 from the County for 2012 be approved.**

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- f) **That the Social Services and Transit division staff explore the feasibility of adopting a new monthly fare rate of \$33 for OW/ODSP clients with a \$12 subsidy from Social Services and the existing \$21 contribution by the clients for a September 1, 2012 start.**

“CARRIED”

Councillor Mitchell requested that a separate meeting of the Joint Services Steering Committee be convened in the future to deal with this matter specifically.

Other Business

Councillor Mitchell commented on communication matters between the County and City regarding the change of landfill management.

Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 20, 2012.

Adjournment

Moved by Mayor Bennett, seconded by Councillor Whelan

That the Joint Services Steering Committee adjourn at 5:42 p.m.

"CARRIED"

John Kennedy
City Clerk

Councillor Beamer
Chair