



HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MINUTES
Thursday, May 27, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.

The Committee met at 1:00 p.m. by video conference.

Members Present: Councillor Laura Ryan (Chair)
Warden Darren White
Councillor Guy Gardhouse
Councillor Earl Hawkins
Councillor Janet Horner
Councillor Philip Rentsch

Members Absent: Councillor Steve Anderson

Staff Present: Sonya Pritchard, Chief Administrative Officer
Michelle Dunne, Clerk
Brenda Wagner, Administrator, Dufferin Oaks
Anna McGregor, Director of Community Services
Tom Reid, Paramedic Services
Rebecca Whelan, Deputy Clerk

Chair Ryan called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT STATEMENT

Chair Ryan shared the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk verbally took a roll call of Councillors in attendance.

DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

PUBLIC QUESTION PERIOD

There were no questions submitted.

REPORTS

1. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 27, 2021 – ITEM #1
Front Entrance Canopy, Walkway & Garden Project – Dufferin Oaks

A report from the Administrator of Dufferin Oaks, dated May 27, 2021, to inform Council that costs related to Tender T2021 DO-21-02, Front Canopy, Walkway and Garden Replacement at Dufferin Oaks Long Term Care Home, exceeds the planned budget amount by \$94,500 and seek authorization from Council to award.

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Administrator dated May 27th, 2021 with regards to the Front Entrance canopy, walkway and garden replacement be received;

AND THAT staff be authorized to award RFT T2021 DO-21-02 to Avion Construction Group Inc;

AND THAT the additional costs be funded through the current Dufferin Oaks capital reserve fund.

-Carried-

2. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 27, 2021 – ITEM #2
Housing Wait List Update

A report from the Director of Community Services, dated May 27, 2021, to provide Council an update on legislative changes made to the Community Housing Wait List as prescribed by the provincial government.

Moved by Councillor Hawkins, seconded by Councillor Rentsch

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services dated May 27, 2021, titled Community Housing Wait List, be received.

-Carried-

3. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 27, 2021 – ITEM #3
Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – First Quarter 2021

A report from the Director of Community Services, dated May 27, 2021, to provide Council with the quarterly infographics that summarize work being undertaken by the Community Services Housing Services, Ontario Works and Children's Services Divisions.

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services, titled Quarterly Community Services Activity Report – First Quarter, 2021, dated May 27, 2021 be received.

-Carried-

4. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 27, 2021 – ITEM #4
EarlyON Service Review Update #5

A report from the Director of Community Services, dated May 27, 2021, to share with Council the ongoing changes to Service Delivery within the EarlyON service, findings from the Service Review and to seek approval for next steps

Moved by Councillor Horner, seconded by Councillor Gardhouse

THAT the report of the Director, Community Services dated May 27, 2021, titled EarlyON Service review Update 5, be received;

AND THAT Council direct staff to review the EarlyON staffing skills compliment to best match service requirements for the new Work Plan;

AND THAT Council direct staff to transition permanently to the new service model, by June 25, 2021, reducing the EarlyON staffing compliment by eight (8);

AND THAT Human Resources Support be provided to staff impacted by the transition;

AND THAT Staff redirect the available budget allocations created by transition to the new service model to Child Care Fee Subsidy, i-CAN and General Operating Grants;

AND THAT any shortfall as a result of the transition, specifically to cover costs for severances packages come from in-year savings and the Children's Services Reserve Fund (CSRF) to remain within the Council approved 2021 Budget.

-Carried-

5. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 27, 2021 – ITEM #5
Strategic Action Plan – HHS Objectives

A report from the Chief Administrative Officer, dated May 27, 2021, to provide committee members with a progress update of the strategic objectives that fall under the oversight of the Health and Human Services Committee and to provide additional detail on the actions planned to achieve those objectives.

Moved by Councillor Gardhouse, seconded by Councillor Hawkins

THAT the report of the Chief Administrative Officer regarding the Strategic Action Plan – HHS Objectives, dated May 27, 2021, be received.

-Carried-

CORRESPONDENCE

6. HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES – May 27, 2021 – ITEM #6
Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO)

Correspondence from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, dated May 18, 2021, regarding Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) delegation requests for the 2021 Annual Conference.

OTHER BUSINESS

The Chief Administrative Officer provided an update on vaccine statistics within the Wellington Dufferin Guelph Public Health Unit. 59.2% of Wellington Dufferin Guelph residents over the age of 12 have been vaccinated and there were 4400 vaccines administered on Friday May 21, which was their highest number to date. Case rates have been improving and they expect to be at 70% of people with one dose and 20% of people with two doses by June 28 depending on supply. In order to get to the Stage 3 level of the Reopening Plan they need an additional 16,000 Wellington Dufferin Guelph residents to register for their first vaccine. Dufferin County will be working along side Public Health to help promote vaccinations in different venues so they can get to that level.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:39 p.m.

NEXT MEETING: Thursday, June 24, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
Video Conference

Respectfully submitted,

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Councillor Laura Ryan, Chair
Health and Human Services Committee