

**THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF ST. THOMAS, THE COUNTY OF ELGIN,  
AND THE ST. THOMAS-ELGIN GENERAL HOSPITAL  
HEALTH RECRUITMENT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE**

**COMMITTEE ROOM # 204, CITY HALL**

**June 13, 2017**

7:50 a.m. The meeting convened with Councillor C. McWilliam, Chair, presiding.

**Attendance**

Councillor C. McWilliam, Chair, County of Elgin  
Councillor S. Wookey, City of St. Thomas  
Cheryl Fish, Health Recruiter  
Mark McDonald, CAO, County of Elgin  
Wendell Graves, City Manager, City of St. Thomas  
Jon Hindley, Corporate Customer Service Assistant, City of St. Thomas

**Absent**

Dr. K. Scott, Elgin Medical Association  
Dr. W. Chehadi, St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital

**Approval of Minutes – June 13, 2017**

The members confirmed the minutes as presented.

**Activity Report and Recruitment Projects - Cheryl Fish**

The members were provided with the Health Recruiter's Activity Report for the Month of May, 2017.

Ms. Fish advised that she had recently participated in a teleconference with the working group that was creating an orientation program for new physicians and that topics discussed included whether it could be mandatory and whether a stipend could be offered for attending.

Ms. Fish advised that she sent 28 follow-up e-mails to physicians, residents and new graduates that she has been in contact with over the last couple years, and responses received indicate that most chose positions elsewhere because of various family reasons and wanting to be closer to a familiar community.

Ms. Fish advised that Dr. Bilawski had contacted her about potential funding in the Ministry's new budget to provide funds for nurse practitioners and other health care providers to join FHO's and function more like Family Health teams.

Ms. Fish advised that Dr. Haruta was sending out invitations for a Wine and Cheese event on June 16, 2017, from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. for Elmdale Health Centre's Grand Opening.

**Unfinished Business**

**Francis Osih – Update**

The City Manager advised that Francis Osih will be setting up a payment plan with the City to pay the money back that he owes.

**Next Meeting**

The next meeting is scheduled for September 12th at 7:30 a.m.

**Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 a.m.

CONFIRMED\_\_\_\_\_CHAIR