



City of Port Colborne

Healthcare Advisory Committee Agenda

Date: February 9, 2026
Time: 6:00 pm
Location: Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall
66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne

Pages

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of the Agenda
3. Disclosures of Interest
4. Approval of the Minutes
 - 4.1 Healthcare Advisory Committee Meeting - January 26, 2026
5. Presentations
 - 5.1 KPMG - Validation Session
6. New Business
 - 6.1 April Meeting Date Change
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7. Adjournment

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City of Port Colborne
Healthcare Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: **Monday, January 26, 2026**
Time: **6:00 pm**
Location: **Council Chambers, 3rd Floor, City Hall**
66 Charlotte Street, Port Colborne

Members Present: C. Tamas
M. Lallouet
T. Triano
S. McDowell, Chair
P. McGarry, Vice-Chair
W. Steele, Mayor (non-voting)
M. Aquilina, Councillor (non-voting)
R. Bodner, Councillor

Staff Present: J. Beaupre, Deputy Clerk
B. Boles, Chief Administrative Officer
G. Bisson, Senior Community Engagement Advisor
J. Rorison, Corporate Affairs Manager

Others Present: K. Mackenzie, Ontario Health atHome
E van Daalen, St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital

1. Call to Order

The Vice Chair, Dr. Philip McGarry, called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

Moved By T. Triano
Seconded By C. Tamas

That the Healthcare Advisory Committee Agenda, dated January 26, 2026, be approved.

Carried

3. Disclosures of Interest

There were no disclosures of interest.

4. Approval of the Minutes

4.1 Healthcare Advisory Committee Meeting - January 12, 2026

Moved By P. McGarry
Seconded By M. Lallouet

That Healthcare Advisory Committee minutes, dated January 12, 2026, be approved.

Carried

5. Presentations

5.1 Karen MacKenzie, Patient Services Manager - Ontario Health atHome

Karen MacKenzie, Patient Services Manager from Ontario Health atHome presented to the Committee on home care.

5.2 Dr. Erica van Daalen, Chief of Staff, St. Thomas Elgin General Hospital

Dr. Erica van Daalen, Chief of Staff at S.Thomas Elgin General Hospital, presented on the hospital system and service strategies.

6. New Business

Mayor Steele spoke about the cost of in-patient beds for those waiting for long-term care and the cost of beds in a long-term facility, and noted the cost savings that could occur by creating more long-term care beds. He noted that they spoke about long-term care in Niagara at the Rural Ontario Municipal Association (ROMA) conference with the Ministry of Long-Term Care, and the need for more beds to combat the wait list times.

Renée Bisson, Senior Health Advisor, also spoke about the meeting with the Ministry of Long-Term Care at ROMA, and noted they are motivated to partner with municipalities. She also noted the Ontario Long-Term Care Association is scheduled to come and present at the meeting on March 9th, 2026, and KPG will be coming to the meeting scheduled on February 9th, 2026.

Tina inquired about federal funding for urgent care infrastructure.

7. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:53 p.m.

Sydney McDowell, Chair

Jessica Beaupre, Deputy Clerk