

**Committee of Management for Huron Lodge**  
**Meeting held November 20, 2023**

A meeting of the Committee of Management for Huron Lodge is held this day commencing at 9:00 o'clock a.m. via Zoom video conference, there being present the following members:

Councillor Ed Sleiman, Chair  
Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac

***Regrets received from:***

Councillor Fred Francis

***Also present are the following resource personnel:***

Alina Sirbu, Executive Director, Long Term Care Administrator of Huron Lodge  
Andrew Daher, Commissioner, Human & Health Services  
Doran Anzolin, Executive Initiatives Coordinator  
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

**1. Call to Order**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 8:58 o'clock a.m. and the Committee of Management for Huron Lodge considers the Agenda being Schedule A attached hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

**2. Disclosure of Interest**

None disclosed.

**3. Adoption of the Minutes**

Moved by Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac, seconded by Councillor Ed Sleiman,  
That the minutes of the meeting of the Committee of Management for Huron Lodge held November 20, 2023 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.  
Carried.

#### 4. In Camera

No In Camera session is held.

#### 5. Business Items

##### 5.1 Administrator's Report

Alina Sirbu provides the highlights of the Administrator's Report as follows:

- On November 2, 2023, The Ministry of Long-Term Care released a new directive on enhanced masking requiring staff, students, support workers and volunteers to wear a mask when in resident areas indoors, and strongly recommending visitors and caregivers to wear a mask in resident areas indoors.
- Huron Lodge estimates the one-time funding streams for covid-19, infection prevention and control staff and training, medication safety technology, and minor capital to be approximately \$880,000 in 2023.
- Huron Lodge attained 3-year accreditation status through Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities (CARF) International.
- Staff at Huron Lodge will be undergoing fundamental training for palliative care as part of the committee's scope and revamp.
- Councilors discussed various quality indicators and the relevance and relationship between admissions , acuity of new LTC population as well as available funding through RAI/MDS documentation – the executive director will continue to utilize all available working groups and advocacy programs to ensure ministry is well informed of current LTC issues and needs as required.

In response to a question asked by Councillor Gignac regarding if the residents have received vaccinations for Covid-19, the flu and RSV, Alina Sirbu responds that all vaccines for which consent is received are administered in house- the consent must be provided in writing by the cognitive residents or by the power of attorney.

Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac inquires if information is forwarded to the Ministry regarding the number of new residents on antipsychotics. Alina Sirbu responds that all of the quality indicators numbers are reported through Health Quality Ontario to the Ministry which includes the plans to improve and mitigation strategies.

Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac inquires about the distribution of antipsychotics, what would the average be on a monthly basis. Alina Sirbu responds that the amount is calculated differently now due in part to the higher rate of admissions than in the past. She states that Windsor-Essex as a demographic area seems to be at a higher risk for mental health and as such new residents get admitted with plans of care that include a higher number of pharmacological interventions. On a good note, all of the new admissions are being assessed through in house physicians with the pharmacy and the nurses and a safe reduction is being initiated as possible.

Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac asks if the Ministry recognizes that an individual would require a higher level of care when on antipsychotics as the staff have to continually assess and monitor to bring that amount down and would additional funds be provided for this purpose.

Alina Sirbu explains the differences between coding for physical ailments versus coding for psychological and how that translates into funding – she also touches upon high intensity funding as utilized in support to residents living with expressive behaviors specialized plans of care.

Andrew Daher adds that it is imperative that the staff chart correctly to ensure they receive appropriate funding.

Moved by Councillor Jo-Anne Gignac, seconded by Councillor Ed Sleiman,  
That the report from the Administrator of Huron Lodge providing the Committee of Management with an update on issues related to resident care; the Ministry of Long-Time Care (MLTC); Ontario Health; Home and Community Care Support Services (HCCSS) and other initiatives that impact the Long-Term Care sector **BE RECEIVED** for information and **APPROVED** for the period ending November 20, 2023.

Carried.

#### **6. Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be at the call of the Chair.

#### **7. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 9:11 o'clock a.m.