



Board of Health Minutes

Date: Friday, February 23, 2024
Location: Electronic via Microsoft Teams & GBPH Boardroom (101 17th Street East, Owen Sound ON N4K 0A5)
Time: 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Members Present:

Ms. Sue Carleton	Mr. Luke Charbonneau
Mr. Brian Milne	Ms. Sue Paterson
Mr. Chad Richards	Ms. Helen-Claire Tingling
Mr. Kenneth Craig	Mr. Chris Peabody
Mr. Kevin Eccles	Ms. Beverley Wilkins

Regrets: Mr. Alan Barfoot, Mr. Nick Saunders

Also Present: Dr. Ian Arra, Kim Rutherford

Special Guests:

Recording Secretary: Ms. Kaleigh Hooper

1.0 Call to Order/Roll Call

The roll call was called by the recording secretary.

Quorum was declared and Chair Sue Carleton called the meeting to order at 10:03 AM

Carried.

The Communications Coordinator joined the meeting at 10:03 AM.

2.0 Amendments to Agenda

“THAT, an item that is related to an RFP for the Walkerton Dental Clinic be added to the open session agenda under Corporate Services.”

3.0 Approval of Agenda as Amended

Moved by: Brian Milne

Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the agenda for February 23, 2024 be approved as amended.”

Carried.

4.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

No disclosures of pecuniary interest were declared at this time.

5.0 Adoption of Minutes

5.1 Friday, January 26, 2024

“THAT, Warden Milne’s departure at 12:30 PM be added to the minutes.”

“THAT, Item 7.1.7 be amended to read ‘The Medical Officer of Health provided a summary of the correspondence. Mr. Barfoot stated that he received a letter from the Ministry of Health indicating that his provincial appointment to the Board would be ending next month in February 2024 and he declined reappointment.’”

Moved by: Kenneth Craig Seconded by: Chris Peabody

“THAT, the minutes of the Board of Health Meeting held on Friday, January 26, 2024 be approved as amended.”

Carried.

5.2 Friday, February 2, 2024

Moved by: Luke Charbonneau Seconded by: Chad Richards

“THAT, the minutes of the Board of Health Meeting held on Friday, February 2nd, 2024 be approved as circulated.”

Carried.

6.0 Correspondence and News Releases

6.1.1 Letter from the Multi-Municipal Energy Working Group

6.1.2 Letter from the Board of Health for Public Health Sudbury & Districts

6.1.3 Letter from the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health

6.1.4 Letter from the Board of Health for Peterborough Public Health

The Medical Officer of Health provided a summary of the correspondence.

Moved by: Kenneth Craig Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the Board of Health receive all Correspondence items for February 23, 2024.”

Carried.

6.2 Media Releases

6.2.1 Public Assistance Request – Dog Bite – Kincardine

6.2.2 GBPH Issues Community Alert Following Six Suspected Drug overdoses in Recent Days

6.2.3 Grey Bruce Public Health Releases Report on Food Affordability

The Communications Coordinator provided a summary of the Media Releases.

Moved by: Luke Charbonneau Seconded by: Brian Milne

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Media Releases for February 23, 2024, as presented.”

Carried.

The Communications Coordinator left the meeting at 10:26 AM.

7.0 Medical Officer of Health Update

7.1 Opioid Situation Grey Bruce (STANDING ITEM)

The Medical Officer of Health provided an update on opioid and substance use in Grey Bruce. The strategic plan is being executed. There is no change since the last update provided to the Board of Health.

7.2 Strengthening Public Health (STANDING ITEM)

Dr. Arra and the Executive Committed provided an update regarding the ministry’s strengthening public health initiative to encourage voluntary health unit mergers. The Board had a discussion on potential mergers and passed the following two motions.

Moved by: Luke Charbonneau Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the Board of Health support the recommendation of the Executive Committee by having the Grey Bruce Public Health Board of Health Chair formally reach out to all contiguous land border neighbouring health units Chairs of the Board of Health exploring their position on a potential merger with the Grey Bruce Health Unit.”

Carried.

Moved by: Kenneth Craig Seconded by: Luke Charbonneau

“THAT, the Board of Health invite the Ministry Working Group to a future Board of Health meeting to discuss the Strengthening Public Health Plan.”

Carried.

8.0 Corporate Services

8.1 Financial Report | December 2023

The Senior Manager of Finance provided an update regarding the GBPH December Financial Report.

Moved by: Chris Peabody Seconded by: Sue Paterson

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Financial Report for February 23, 2024, as presented.”

Carried.

8.2 2024 DRAFT Budget Presentation

The Senior Manager of Finance provided a presentation on the 2024 DRAFT Budget for Grey Bruce Public Health.

Moved by: Luke Charbonneau Seconded by: Helen-Claire Tingling

“THAT, the Board of Health approve the 2024 DRAFT Budget for February 23, 2024 as presented.”

Carried.

8.3 Walkerton Capital Project

The Senior Manager of Finance provided an update on the Walkerton Capital Project seeking guidance from the Board of Health on next steps.

Moved by: Luke Charbonneau Seconded by: Brian Milne

“THAT, the Board of Health direct Grey Bruce Public Health staff to proceed with the Walkerton Dental Clinic project for February 23, 2024 as presented.”

Carried.

9.0 Other Business

9.1 Board Orientation Package

The Medical Officer of Health gave an overview of the 2024 Board Orientation Package. A later date will be scheduled for the Board of Health to meet to review and discuss the Orientation from James LeNoury.

9.2 Annual Review of Board Performance for the Year 2024

Chair Carleton provided an update regarding the Board Performance process and meeting with Human Resources. Chair Carleton will have a follow-up Executive Committee meeting scheduled and will report back at the next Board of Health meeting.

11.0 In-Camera

Moved by: Helen-Claire Tingling Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the Board of Health go into closed session at 11:47 AM to discuss the adoption of the January 26, 2024 and February 02, 2024 in-camera minutes and one item related to personal matters about an identifiable individual, including municipal or local board employees, FURTHER THAT, Dr. Arra, Kim Rutherford, and Ms. Kaleigh Hooper shall remain present.”

Carried.

The Board returned to open session at 12:16 PM with Chair Carleton presiding.

Chair Carleton declared only the items stated on the agenda to move into closed session were discussed.

9.0 Adjournment

By motion of Luke Charbonneau, seconded by Chris Peabody, that the Board of Health meeting be adjourned at 12:17 PM.

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Sue Carleton
Chairperson
Signed by: Kaleigh Hooper

Dr. Ian Arra
Medical Officer of Health
Signed by: Kaleigh Hooper

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Kaleigh Hooper
Recording Secretary
Signed by: Kaleigh Hooper