



Board of Health Minutes

Date: Friday, August 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
Ms. Sue Paterson	Mr. Nick Saunders
Mr. Chad Richards	Ms. Helen-Claire Tingling
Mr. Kenneth Craig	Mr. Kevin Eccles
Ms. Beverly Wilkins	Mr. Brian Milne

Regrets: Mr. Chris Peabody
Also Present: Dr. Ian Arra, Kim Rutherford, Denis Langlois & Chimere Okoronkwo
Special Guests:
Recording Secretary: Ms. Hannah Mosiondz

1.0 Call to Order

Chair Sue Carleton called the meeting to order at 10:01 am

Carried.

2.0 Roll Call

The roll call was called by the recording secretary. Quorum was declared.

Carried.

The Communications Coordinator joined the meeting at 10:02AM.

3.0 Amendments to Agenda

One amendment was made to the agenda with the additional item, 8.5, an MOH Update regarding the Mpox virus.

4.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Luke Charbonneau

Seconded by: Beverly Wilkins

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

Carried.

5.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

No disclosures of pecuniary interest were declared at this time.

6.0 Adoption of Minutes

6.1 Friday July 26, 2024

6.2 Wednesday July 31, 2024 – Executive Committee Meeting

Moved by: Luke Charbonneau

Seconded by: Kenneth Craig

“THAT, the minutes from the Board of Health Meeting held on Friday July 26, 2024, and Executive Committee minutes from Wednesday July 31, 2024, be approved by the Board of Health as presented.”

Carried.

7.0 Correspondence and Media Releases

7.1 Letter of Support from Middlesex-London Board of Health – Bills S-233 and C-223 and Board Report No.49-24 re: Support for An Act to Develop a National Framework for a Guaranteed Livable Basic Income

7.2 Letter of Support to Minister – Wastewater and CCM

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

7.3 Media Releases

7.3.1 GBPH Kelso Beach at Nawash Park in Owen Sound posted unsafe for swimming

7.3.2 Public Assistance Request – Dog Bite – South Bruce Peninsula

7.3.3 Bat from Grey-Bruce tests positive for rabies

7.3.4 Swim advisory lifted for Kelso Beach at Nawash Park

7.3.5 GBPH notified of two fatal, two non-fatal drug poisonings over past 7 days

7.3.6 Southampton Beach posted unsafe for swimming

7.3.7 GBPH notified of fifth suspected fatal drug poisoning in Grey-Bruce this summer

7.3.8 Swim advisory lifted for Southampton Beach

7.3.9 Public Assistance Request – Dog Bite – West Grey

7.3.10 Increase in pertussis cases underscores importance of staying up to date on publicly funded vaccinations

The Communications Co-ordinator provided a summary of the Media Releases.

Moved by: Sue Paterson

Seconded by: Helen-Claire Tingling

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Correspondence and Media Releases for information on August 23, 2024.”

Carried.

The Communications Co-ordinator left the meeting at 10:13 am.

8.0 Medical Officer of Health Update

8.1 Opioid Situation Grey Bruce (STANDING ITEM)

The Medical Officer of Health provided an update on the opioid situation in Grey Bruce.

8.2 Strengthening Public Health (STANDING ITEM)

The Medical Officer of Health provided an update regarding the Ministry of Health's strengthening public health initiative - the review of the Ontario Public Health Standards is ongoing.

8.3 Oral Health | Program Report

Senior Manager Chimere Okoronkwo provided an update regarding the school based dental screening program completed during the 2023/24 school year.

8.4 School Health – Vision Screening | Program Report

Senior Manager Chimere Okoronkwo provided an update on the in-school vision screening program offered to senior kindergarten (SK) students in Grey-Bruce during the 2023/24 school year.

8.5 Update on Monkeypox Virus

The Medical Officer of Health provided an update on the monkeypox (Mpox) virus situation.

Moved by: Brian Milne

Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Medical Officer of Health updates for information”.

Carried.

9.0 Corporate Services

9.1 Financial Report | June 2024

9.2 Policy Review | V-526 Years of Service Recognition (BOH-GEN)

The Senior Manager of Finance provided an update on the June 2024 Financial Report and brought forward the V-526 Years of Service Recognition (BOH-GEN) policy for language clarity. The Board emphasized the importance for employee recognition and further amendments to this policy can be made by the Executive Committee at the next policy review session.

Moved by: Helen-Claire Tingling

Seconded by: Beverly Wilkins

“THAT, the Board of Health receive the Financial Report for June 2024 for information, and THAT, the V-526 Years of Service Recognition Policy be approved as presented”.

Carried.

Senior Public Health Manager, Chimere Okoronkwo, left the meeting at 10:52am.

10.0 Other Business

11.0 In-Camera

Moved by: Sue Paterson

Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the Board of Health now go into a closed session at 10:53am to discuss the adoption of in-camera minutes, adoption of personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Municipal or Local Board employees, and FURTHER THAT, Dr. Arra, Ms. Kim Rutherford and Ms. Hannah Mosiondz, shall remain present.”

Carried.

The Board returned to open session at 11:18 am, with Chair Carleton presiding. Chair Carleton declared only the items stated on the agenda to move into closed session were discussed, and that the board provided direction to the Chair with the following motion:

Moved by: Helen-Claire Tingling

Seconded by: Chad Richards

“THAT, the Board of Health nominates Board members Nick Saunders and Beverly Wilkins to participate in the interview process with GBPH for the Physician Consultant role”.

Carried.

12.0 Adjournment

Moved by: Beverly Wilkins

Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the Board of Health meeting be adjourned”.

Carried.

Chair Carleton declared the Board of Health meeting adjourned at 11:19AM, Friday August 23, 2024.

Next Meeting:

Friday, September 27, 10:00 AM

X



Sue Carleton
Chairperson

X



Dr. Ian Arra
Medical Officer of Health

X



Hannah Mosiondz
Recording Secretary