

MINUTES

Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health

Regular Meeting held on October 1, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. Timiskaming Health Unit – New Liskeard Boardroom

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:45 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Board of Health Members

Carman Kidd Chair, Mayor of Temiskaming Shores
Mike McArthur Councillor, Temiskaming Shores

Merrill Bond Councillor, Charlton & Dack, representative for Town of

Englehart, township of Evanturel, Chamberlain, Hilliard

Norm Mino Councillor, Town of Kirkland Lake

Sherri Louttit Public Appointee

Audrey Lacarte Municipal Appointee, Townships of Brethour, Harris, Harley &

Casey, Village of Thornloe

Louise Hayes Municipal Appointee, Township of Armstrong, Hudson, James,

Kerns & Matachewan

Merdy Armstrong Municipal Appointee, Townships of Larder Lake & McGarry,

Township of Gauthier (Teleconference)

Tony Antoniazzi Vice-Chair, Councillor, Town of Kirkland Lake

Sue Nielsen Councillor for Town of Cobalt, representative for Town of

Latchford, Municipality of Temagami, and Township of

Coleman)

Regrets

Jamie Morrow Councillor, Temiskaming Shores

Timiskaming Health Unit Staff Members

Dr. Marlene Spruyt Medical Officer of Health/Chief Executive Officer

Randy Winters Manager of Finance & Admin. Services

Rachelle Leveille Executive Assistant

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION #63R-2014

Moved by: Tony Antoniazzi Seconded by: Merrill Bond

Be it resolved that the Board of Health adopts the agenda for its regular meeting held on

October 1st, 2014 as presented.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE

None.

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION #64R-2014

Moved by: Mike McArthur Seconded by: Norm Mino

Be it resolved that the Board of Health approves the minutes of its regular meeting held on

September 3, 2014 as presented.

CARRIED

6. **BUSINESS ARISING**

None

7. FINANCE SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

Minutes of meeting held on August 28, 2014 were distributed for information. Minutes were approved as amended.

8. REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER MOTION #65R-2014

Moved by: Louise Hayes

Seconded by: Sue Nielsen

Be it resolved that the Board of Health accepts the report of the Medical Officer of

Health/Chief Executive Officer as distributed.

CARRIED

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. KIRKLAND LAKE – HEAT BY-LAW #78-069

Dr. Spruyt reported that the Public Health Inspector has been receiving numerous residential complaints regarding heating/water issues in Kirkland Lake over the years. The Board was informed of an existing by-law/memorandum of understanding with the Town of Kirkland Lake, from 1978, regarding heating related issues to be redirected to the health unit. Since then, other legislations have come into place. These issues are creating a surplus amount of work for the Public Health Inspectors. Dr. Spruyt recommended to have some discussion with the Town of Kirkland Lake regarding amendments to their current by-law. The health unit cannot enforce if the issue is not a health hazard as per the HPPA. The health unit would like to encourage collaboration between partners (tenant, housing, landlord, DTSSAB) to come up with solutions.

Direction: the Board directed Dr. Spruyt to consult with the Town of Kirkland Lake.

b. **PUBLIC HEALTH PERFORMANCE INDICATORS 2013 YEAR-END RESULTS**

Dr. Spruyt provided an overview of the THU results in comparison with other health units in the province.

c. WORKPLACE WELLNESS SURVEY RESULTS

The survey results were provided to the Board for review and information. Discussed continuing the ongoing education with staff regarding the role of the Board and management with respect to governance and operational decisions.

d. **STAFF LIST**

Mr. Armstrong suggested that the staff list be submitted to the Board on a monthly basis. It was reminded that the document is issued on a quarterly basis with the Board report.

e. **EBOLA OUTBREAK**

Mr. Armstrong enquired of the plan of direction regarding the Ebola outbreak. Dr. Spruyt reassured that due to many barriers, cases in Ontario are unlikely to come to the area. All the health care providers are receiving the ministry messaging/updates and are remaining on high alert. Screening protocols are in place with family health teams and hospitals. During the month of October, THU will be issuing the seasonal reminders regarding infection control measures.

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

MOTION #66R-2014

Moved by: Merrill Bond Seconded by: Louise Hayes

Be it resolved that the Board of Health acknowledges receipt of the correspondence for information purposes;

Eastern Ontario Health Unit:

-Motion #2014-1147 to request the Ministry to maintain the current levels of funding through general program budgets and Healthy Smiles Ontario to ensure equitable access to preventive oral health services for all children and further that the "emergency" proposed program be adequately funded to meet all dental needs.

Porcupine Health Unit:

Resolution to request the province to maintain a positive relationship with local Porcupine Health Unit dentists, to develop a flexible, timely, appropriate fee, approval and payment processes and further that the "emergency" proposed program be adequately funded to meet the utilization rate of the three current needs based treatment programs.

MOTION #67R-2014

Moved by: Merdy Armstrong Seconded by: Mike McArthur

Be it resolved that the Board of Health supports the Eastern Ontario and Porcupine Health Unit's resolutions regarding dental health.

CARRIED

11. **IN-CAMERA**

MOTION #68R-2014

Moved by: Louise Hayes Seconded by: Tony Antoniazzi

Be it resolved that the Board of Health agrees to move in-camera at 7:43 p.m. to discuss the following matters under section 239 (2):

- a. Approval of In-Camera Minutes (September 3rd, 2014)
- b. Update on Illegal Septic System

CARRIED

12. **RISE AND REPORT**

MOTION #69R-2014

Moved by: Merrill Bond Seconded by: Mike McArthur

Be it resolved that the Board of Health agrees to rise with report at 7:53 p.m.

In-Camera Minutes

MOTION #70R-2014

Moved by: Sue Nielsen Seconded by: Audrey Lacarte

Be it resolved that the Board of Health approves the in-camera minutes of meeting held on

September 3rd, 2014 as presented.

CARRIED

13. **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Board of Health meeting will be held on November 5, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Englehart Medical Centre boardroom. The Board agreed to hold the December meeting at Cousin's Restaurant on December 10th. Rachelle to follow up with the confirmation.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION #71R-2014

Moved by: Louise Hayes Seconded by: Sherri Louttit

Be it resolved that the Board of Health agrees to adjourn the regular meeting at

7:56 p.m.

CARRIED

Carman Kidd, Board Chair	Rachelle Leveille, Recorder