



MINUTES

Timiskaming Health Unit Board of Health

Regular Meeting held on September 7, 2022 at 6:30 P.M.

New Liskeard THU Office / Microsoft Teams

1. The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm.

2. **ROLL CALL**

Board of Health Members

Carman Kidd	Chair, Municipal Appointee for Temiskaming Shores
Mike McArthur	Municipal Appointee for Temiskaming Shores
Casey Owens	Municipal Appointee for Town of Kirkland Lake
Paul Kelly	Municipal Appointee for Township of Larder Lake, McGarry & Gauthier
Nina Wallace	Municipal Appointee for Township of Chamberlain, Charlton, Evanturel, Hilliard, Dack & Town of Englehart
Jesse Foley	Municipal Appointee for Temiskaming Shores

Regrets

Curtis Arthur	Provincial Appointee
Sue Cote	Municipal Appointee for Town of Cobalt, Town of Latchford, Municipality of Temagami, and Township of Coleman
Patrick Kiely	Vice-Chair, Municipal Appointee for Town of Kirkland Lake
Vacant	Municipal Appointee for Township of Armstrong, Hudson, James, Kerns & Matachewan
Vacant	Municipal Appointee for Township of Brethour, Harris, Harley & Casey, Village of Thornloe

Timiskaming Health Unit Staff Members

Dr. Glenn Corneil	Acting Medical Officer of Health/CEO
Randy Winters	Director of Corporate and Protection Services
Kerry Schubert-Mackey	Director of Strategic Services and Health Promotion
Rachelle Cote	Executive Assistant

3. **Presentation: Digital Divide Project**

by Lorna Desmarais, Public Health Promoter, Amanda Mongeon, Manager of Community Health

Lorna Desmarais provided an overview of the Digital Divide Project. See briefing note, item 11a, for more information.

Lorna left the call at 6:53 pm.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION #30R-2022

Moved by: Nina Wallace

Seconded by: Paul Kelly

Be it resolved that the Board of Health adopts the agenda for its regular meeting held on September 7, 2022, as presented.

CARRIED

5. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

MOTION #31R-2022

Moved by: Mike McArthur

Seconded by: Casey Owens

Be it resolved that the Board of Health approves the minutes of its regular meeting held on June 8, 2022, and the minutes of the special meeting held on August 3, 2022 as presented.

CARRIED

6. **BUSINESS ARISING**

None

7. **REPORTS OF MOH/CEO**

Dr. Corneil provided a summary of the local COVID-19 situation and other related updates.

Masking mandate: expired on June 11, 2022. Masking remains very protective against other viruses. THU will be moving forward with masking in-office to protect all staff and continue services. To be effective next week. Other institutions to implement their own policy, cannot be enforced, only a recommendation at this time.

Bivalent vaccine: vaccine to be launched next week. THU to receive the shipment end of week and another end of the month.

Public Health Modernization: no further comments from the AMO conference. Discussions remain on pause at the moment. More information to follow as it will become available.

8. **HUMAN RESOURCES & FINANCE UPDATE**

A human resources and financial report was submitted for information purposes.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

a. **Briefing Note: Closing the Digital Divide in Timiskaming**

MOTION #32R-2022

Moved by: Nina Wallace

Seconded by: Jesse Foley

Be it resolved that the Board of Health receives the updated report “Closing the Digital Divide in Timiskaming” for information.

CARRIED

b. **Briefing Note: Healthy Babies Healthy Children Program**

MOTION #33R-2022

Moved by: Nina Wallace

Seconded by: Jesse Foley

Be it resolved that the Board of Health endorse the letter from Public Health Sudbury & District (PHSD) (Appendix A) regarding Healthy Babies Healthy Children Funding, respectfully requesting the Minister’s commitment to carefully review base-funding needs for the HBHC program to ensure this essential program is sufficiently resourced to meet the current and growing needs of children and a healthy start in life, and that this be communicated in writing to the Ontario Minister of Children, Community and Social Services with copies to the following:

- a. Chief Medical Officer of Health, Ministry of Health
- b. Local MPPs
- c. Executive Director, Association of Local Public Health Agencies
- d. Chair, Governing Council of Provincial Council for Maternal and Child Health
- e. Executive Director of Provincial Council for Maternal and Child Health

CARRIED

10. **CORRESPONDENCE**

MOTION #34R-2022

Moved by: Casey Owens

Seconded by: Nina Wallace

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

CARRIED

Amanda Mongeon left the call at 7:37 pm.

11. **IN-CAMERA**

MOTION #35R-2022

Moved by: Casey Owens

Seconded by: Jesse Foley

The Board of Health agrees to move in-camera at 7:38 pm to discuss the following matter under section 239 (2):

- In-Camera Minutes (June 8, 2022)
- In-Camera Minutes (August 3, 2022)

CARRIED

12. **RISE AND REPORT**

MOTION #36R-2022

Moved by: Jesse Foley

Seconded by: Mike McArthur

The Board of Health agrees to rise with report at 7:40 pm.

IN-CAMERA MINUTES

MOTION #2C-2022

Moved by: Nina Wallace

Seconded by: Casey Owens

Be it resolved that the Board of Health approves the in-camera minutes of meeting held on June 8, 2022 and August 3, 2022 as presented.

CARRIED

13. **DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS**

The next Board of Health meeting will be held on October 5, 2022 at 6:30 pm in New Liskeard.

14. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION #37R-2022

Moved by: Nina Wallace

Seconded by: Casey Owens

Be it resolved that the Board of Health agrees to adjourn the regular meeting at 7:42 pm.

CARRIED

Carman Kidd, Board Chair

Rachelle Cote, Recorder