

A regular meeting of the Board of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit was held on Wednesday, February 23, 2022, via teleconference. Audio live streaming of the proceedings was provided for the public.

PRESENT:

Nipissing District:

Central Appointee
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Central Appointee
Central Appointee
Eastern Appointee

Dave Butti
Nancy Jacko (*Chairperson*)
Stuart Kidd (*Vice-Chairperson*)
Scott Robertson
Dean Backer

Parry Sound District:

North Eastern Appointee
South Eastern Appointee
Western Appointee

Blair Flowers
Marianne Stickland
Jamie McGarvey
Gary Guenther

Public Appointees:

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

Medical Officer of Health/Executive Officer
Public Health Physician

Dr. Chirico
Dr. Carol Zimbalatti

REGRETS:

Central Appointee
Western Appointee

Tanya Vrebosch
Dan Roveda

RECORDER:

Management Administrative Assistant

Sheri Beaulieu

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

In keeping with public health measures related to the COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of Health meet electronically. Live streaming of the meeting was available to the public through a link provided on the Health Unit's website.

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2.0 APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda for the February 23, 2022, Board of Health meeting was reviewed, and the following motion was read:

Board of Health Resolution #BOH/2022/02/01 *McGarvey/Robertson

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Health Agenda, dated February 23, 2022, be approved.

The recorded vote was as follows:

Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:	Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:
Dean Backer	X			Jamie McGarvey	X		
Dave Butti	X			Scott Robertson	X		
Blair Flowers	X			Dan Roveda	R		
Gary Guenther	X			Marianne Stickland	X		
Nancy Jacko	X			Tanya Vrebosch	R		
Stuart Kidd	X						

“Carried”

3.0 CONFLICT OF INTEREST DECLARATION

There were no conflicts of interest declared.

4.0 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

4.1 Board of Health Minutes – January 26, 2022

The minutes from the Board of Health meeting held on January 26, 2022, were reviewed and the following motion was read:

Board of Health Resolution #BOH/2022/02/02 *Stickland/Kidd

Be It Resolved, that the minutes from the Board of Health meeting held on January 26, 2022, be approved as presented.

The recorded vote was as follows:

Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:	Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:
Dean Backer	X			Jamie McGarvey	X		
Dave Butti	X			Scott Robertson	X		
Blair Flowers	X			Dan Roveda	R		
Gary Guenther	X			Marianne Stickland	X		
Nancy Jacko	X			Tanya Vrebosch	R		
Stuart Kidd	X						

“Carried”

5.0 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Date: April 27, 2022

Time: to be determined

Place: to be determined

6.0 BUSINESS ARISING

There was nothing under Business Arising.

7.0 REPORT OF THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH

The [Report of the Medical Officer of Health](#) dated February 23, 2022, was presented to the Board of Health for information purposes.

An additional verbal update from the Medical Officer of Health was also provided. The report included the following:

- We are currently seeing a decline in the indices
- Public health restrictions are beginning to lift, with additional restrictions to be lifted within the next week
- Case counts are no longer accurate with the shift in eligibility for testing
- The current percent positivity rate is 11-12%, with the rate slightly higher in the North at this time
- Local hospitalization and intensive care unit (ICU) admissions remain low, as is the case provincially as well
- All indicators seem to be moving in a more positive direction
- There has been a decline in outbreaks both provincially and locally
- The focus has been on managing outbreaks in healthcare settings and the case and contact management related to those
- The COVID-19 vaccination plan continues, and the Health Unit is shifting the focus with third doses now available for the 12-17-year-old group; data on the uptake for this cohort is pending
- Ample number of appointments and walk-in appointments are available with all vaccines (for all available age groups) available at all clinics now
- The Health Unit is engaging with primary care, pharmacies, and EMS to reach individuals wishing to be vaccinated but unable to access clinics
- School vaccination clinics are also being held
- The immunization clinics will continue to reach as many people as possible, with the mobile bus clinic being implemented as soon as weather permits
- The Health Unit will be looking at deploying staff back to their regular programs/services and work as part of the recovery plan; however, it will take some time to complete the backlog
- A debrief of the pandemic, both provincially and locally will be conducted to look at lessons learned, look at capacity, what could have been done better, and plan for future emergency response events

8.0 BOARD COMMITTEE REPORT

There were no Committee Reports to bring forward.

9.0 CORRESPONDENCE

Board of Health correspondence listed for the February 23, 2022, meeting is made available for review by Board members in the Board of Health online portal.

10.0 NEW BUSINESS

10.1 Medical Officer of Health Expenses – July 1 to December 31, 2021

Provided for information purposes for the Board of Health.

10.2 Appointment of Auditor

The term for the auditor for the City of North Bay ended in December 2021. The following motion was read:

Board of Health Resolution #BOH/2022/02/03 *Guenther/McGarvey

Whereas, the Municipal Act 296 (10) states, “If a local board is a local board of more than one municipality, only the auditor of the municipality that is responsible for the largest share of the expenses of the local board in the year is require to audit the local board that year.”; and

Whereas, Board of Health Policy B-G-007 Appointment/Recognition, Term or Duties of Auditor(s) and Legal Advisors for the Board of Health section 4.1.1 states, “In accordance with the Municipal Act, the Board of Health recognizes the audit firm used by the Corporation of the City of North Bay. Employees of the audit firm cannot serve as members of the Board of Health or be directly related to senior management or financial service employees of the Health Unit”; and

Whereas, the City of North Bay facilitated a Request for Proposal on behalf of the City and its agencies, board and commissions for audit services for the next five years and that KPMG LLP, chartered professional accountants was the successful proponent.

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, that the Board of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit accept KPMG LLP as the Health Unit auditor for the fiscal year-ends from December 31, 2021, to December 31, 2025.

The recorded vote was as follows:

Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:	Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:
Dean Backer	X			Jamie McGarvey	X		

Dave Butti	X	Scott Robertson	X
Blair Flowers	X	Dan Roveda	R
Gary Guenther	X	Marianne Stickland	X
Nancy Jacko	X	Tanya Vrebosch	X
Stuart Kidd	X		

“Carried”

11.0 IN CAMERA

11.1 Personal Matter About an Identifiable Individual

The following motion was read:

Board of Health Resolution #BOH/2022/02/04 *Robertson/Stickland

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Health move in camera at 5:21 p.m. to discuss agenda item # 11.1, Personal Matter About an Identifiable Individual.

The recorded vote was as follows:

Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:	Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:
Dean Backer	X			Jamie McGarvey	X		
Dave Butti	X			Scott Robertson	X		
Blair Flowers	X			Dan Roveda	R		
Gary Guenther	X			Marianne Stickland	X		
Nancy Jacko	X			Tanya Vrebosch	X		
Stuart Kidd	X						

“Carried”

At the end of the in camera session, the following motion was read:

Board of Health Resolution #BOH/2022/02/05 *Kidd/Guenther

Be It Resolved, that the Board of Health rise and report at 5:27 p.m.

The recorded vote was as follows:

Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:	Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:
Dean Backer	x			Jamie McGarvey	x		
Dave Butti	x			Scott Robertson	x		
Blair Flowers	x			Dan Roveda	r		
Gary Guenther	x			Marianne Stickland	x		
Nancy Jacko	x			Tanya Vrebosch	x		

Stuart Kidd x

“Carried”

Upon rising and reporting, the following motion was read:

Board of Health Resolution #BOH/2022/02/06 *McGarvey/Robertson

Whereas, the Board of Health approved the addition of an Associate Medical Officer of Health position for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit (Health Unit) as part of the 2022 budget proposal at the January 26, 2022, Board of Health meeting (#BOH/2022/01/09).

Now Therefore Be It Resolved, the Board of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit approves the appointment of Dr. Carol Zimbalatti as the Associate Medical Officer of Health for the North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit, pending approval of appointment by the Minister of Health and pending acceptance of the position by Dr. Carol Zimbalatti.

The recorded vote was as follows:

Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:	Name:	For:	Against:	Abstain:
Dean Backer	x			Jamie McGarvey	x		
Dave Butti	x			Scott Robertson	x		
Blair Flowers	x			Dan Roveda	r		
Gary Guenther	x			Marianne Stickland	x		
Nancy Jacko	x			Tanya Vrebosch	x		
Stuart Kidd	x						

“Carried”

12.0 ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business, the Board of Health Chairperson adjourned the Board of Health meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Original Signed by Nancy Jacko

2022/04/27

Chairperson/Vice-Chairperson

Date (yyyy/mm/dd)

Original Signed by Sheri Beaulieu

2022/04/27

Sheri Beaulieu, Recorder

Date (yyyy/mm/dd)