



# Board of Health Minutes

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**Date:** Friday, May 27, 2016  
**Location:** Grey Bruce Health Unit Boardroom (Room 207)  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 11:59 a.m.  
**Members Present:** Kevin Eccles (Chair), Alan Barfoot, David Inglis, Laurie Laporte, Gary Levine, David Shearman, Mike Smith, Mitch Twolan, Will Rogers  
**Regrets:** Stewart Halliday, Arlene Wright  
**Also Present:** Dr. Hazel Lynn, Dr. Christine Kennedy, Drew Ferguson, Sue Murray, Sue Brown  
**Special Guests:**  
**Secretary:** Stephanie van der Meer

## 1.0 Call to Order

Chair, Kevin Eccles declared quorum present and called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.

## 2.0 Amendments to Agenda

## 3.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Gary Levine      Seconded by: Alan Barfoot  
THAT, the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

## 4.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest declared at this time.

## 5.0 Adoption of Minutes

### 5.1 Friday, April 22, 2016

Moved by: Mike Smith      Seconded by: Laurie Laporte  
THAT, the minutes of Friday, April 22, 2016 be approved as circulated.

Carried

### 5.2 Friday, April 29, 2016

Moved by: Mike Smith      Seconded by: Laurie Laporte  
THAT, the minutes of Friday, April 29, 2016 be approved as circulated.

Carried

- 6.0 Staff Presentation** – 2015 Audited Report of Programs – Traci Smith, BDO  
Moved by: Alan Barfoot      Seconded by: Laurie Laporte  
THAT, the 2015 Audited Report of Programs be approved as presented.

Carried

## **7.0 Correspondence**

### **7.1 Previously Supported**

- 7.1.1 Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit Re. A Public Health Approach to the Legalization of Cannabis in Canada
- 7.1.2 Peterborough County-City Health Unit Re. Environmental Health Program Funding
- 7.1.3 Elgin St. Thomas Public Health Re. Public Health Approach to Cannabis Legalization and Regulation
- 7.1.4 Porcupine Health Unit Re. Community Water Fluoridation of Municipal Water Systems
- 7.1.5 Town of Saugeen Shores Re. Health Effects of Wind Turbines Investigation
- 7.1.6 Algoma Public Health Re. Herpes Zoster Vaccine
- 7.1.7 Durham Region Re. Bill 139 Smoke-Free Schools Act
- 7.1.8 Durham Region Re. Invasive Personal Services Settings (PSS)
- 7.1.9 The Corporation of the Township of Huron-Kinloss Re. Resolution #145 – Endorses Municipality of Grey Highlands Resolution (Wind Turbines)
- 7.1.10 County of Lambton Re. Rising Cost of Healthy Food as Determined by the 2015 Nutritious Food Basket Cost Data
- 7.1.11 Middlesex-London Health Unit Re. Patients First Discussion Paper – alPHa Response

### **7.2 For Your Information**

- 7.2.1 Northwestern Health Unit Resolution Re. Endorse Ontario Society of Nutrition Professionals in Public Health (OSNPPH) Position Statement on Responses to Food Insecurity
- 7.2.2 County of Bruce Re. Letter of March 30, 2016 – Countywide Outdoor Spaces Smoke-Free By-Law Initiative  
The Board of Health directed the Medical Officer of Health to send a subsequent letter to Bruce County outlining the importance of the county-wide outdoor spaces smoke-free by-law initiative.
- 7.2.3 Minister of Health Dr. Eric Hoskins Re. Amend Ontario Public Health Standards (OPHS) and related Protocols  
Moved by: Gary Levine      Seconded by: Mitch Twolan  
THAT, the Board of Health receives correspondence items as circulated.

Carried

### 7.3 **New Items**

- 7.3.1 Peterborough County-City Health Unit Re. Legislation of the *International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitute* in Canada  
Moved by: David Shearman      Seconded by: Mike Smith  
THAT, the Board of Health does endorse the correspondence from Peterborough County-City Health Unit in regarding the International Code of Marketing of Breastmilk Substitute to be honoured by legislation of the Code in Canada.

Carried

- 7.3.2 Niagara Region Re. Lyme Disease  
Draft Resolution as presented by Dr. Hazel Lynn in response.  
Moved by: Gary Levine      Seconded by: David Shearman  
WHEREAS, the blacklegged tick, *Ixodes scapularis*, is expanding into new areas of Ontario, and can carry the bacteria, *Borrelia burgdorferi*, which causes Lyme disease; and

WHEREAS, people who are infected with *Borrelia burgdorferi*, may develop Lyme disease which can cause long-term consequences if not treated properly;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit requests the Province of Ontario to increase funding to enhance environmental surveillance for the tick;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario monitor the pattern of spread of the tick and the rate of tick infection in various areas of the province;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario develop control measures for the tick;

AND FURTHER THAT the Province of Ontario increase the education to the population regarding personal protection, property management, testing and treatment.

Carried

- 7.3.3 Middlesex-London Health Unit Re. Proposed Domestic and Sexual Violence Workplace Leave, Accommodation and Training Act –
- 7.3.4 Middlesex-London Health Unit Re. Comments on the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care's Proposal to Strengthen Ontario's Smoking and Vaping Laws

## **8.0 Reports – Medical Officer of Health**

- 8.1 May Reports
  - 8.1.1 MOH Report – Lyme Disease
  - 8.1.2 Program Report – May
- 8.2 News Releases
  - 8.2.1 Immunization is a Life-long Responsibility
  - 8.2.2 We C.A.R.E. Project ‘SHARE’ Youth Engagement Event
  - 8.2.3 *Milk* Documentary Explores Issue Around Breastfeeding
  - 8.2.4 Pause to PLAY by Turning Off the Screens
  - 8.2.5 Celebrating Nursing
  - 8.2.6 Ontario Health Study seeks participants
  - 8.2.7 Healthy Lake Huron: Clean Water, Clean Beaches releases 2016 newsletter on positive actions by communities, landowners, partners

Moved by: Gary Levine      Seconded by: Alan Barfoot  
THAT, the Board of Health receives the May reports as presented.

Carried

## **9.0 Administration and Finance**

- 9.1 Financial Report March – Sue Murray  
Moved by: Alan Barfoot      Seconded by: Mitch Twolan  
THAT, the Board of Health receives the Financial Report for the month of March as presented by Sue Murray.

Carried

## **10.0 Other Business**

- 10.1 aPHa Resolutions for Consideration at June 2016 Annual General Meeting  
The Board of Health discussed resolutions for consideration.
- 10.2 Nomination for Patients First Expert Panel  
Moved by: David Shearman      Seconded by: Mike Smith  
THAT, the Board of Health endorse the nomination of Dr. Hazel Lynn as candidate for the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care’s Expert Panel as identified in the Patients First discussion paper.

Carried

- 10.3 Invitation to Attend a Bus Tour of Industrial Wind Turbine Areas from the Multi-Municipal Wind Turbine Working Group

## **11.0 In-Camera Session**

Moved by: Mitch Twolan      Seconded by: Laurie Laporte  
THAT, the Board of Health does now go into closed session to discuss matters pertaining to terms of employment of individual employees or management; and that Sue Murray, Stephanie van der Meer, Drew Ferguson, Sue Brown and Dr. Lynn remain present.

Carried

Moved by: Mitch Twolan    Seconded by: Mike Smith  
THAT, the Board of Health does now return to open session.

Carried

The Board of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit announced appointment of Dr. Christine Kennedy to the position of Medical Officer of Health and CEO, effective July 1, 2016.

Moved by: Alan Barfoot    Seconded by: David Inglis  
THAT, the Board of Health for the Grey Bruce Health Unit appoint Dr. Christine Kennedy as Medical Officer of Health and Chief Executive Officer (CEO) effective July 1, 2016 as per Part VI, Section 62(1)(a) of the *Health Protection and Promotion Act* (HPPA); and further that the Board of Health request that the Minister of Health and Long-Term Care approve the appointment as per Part VI, Section 64(c) of the HPPA.

Carried

The Board of Health endorsed the posting of the vacant Associate Medical Officer of Health position, and the Board of Health Recruitment Committee will assist in filling this vacancy.

### **Adjournment**

By Motion of Mitch Twolan, Chair Kevin Eccles adjourned the meeting at 11:59 p.m.

### **Next Meeting:**

Friday, June 24, 2016 at 10:00 a.m.  
Grey Bruce Health Unit Boardroom

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Kevin Eccles  
Chairperson

X

Dr. Hazel Lynn  
Medical Officer of Health

X

Stephanie van der Meer  
Recording Secretary