



# Board of Health Minutes

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**Date:** Friday, October 27, 2017  
**Location:** Grey Bruce Health Unit  
**Time:** 10:00 a.m. – 1:15 p.m.  
**Members Present:** David Inglis (Chair), Alan Barfoot, Kevin Eccles, Laurie Laporte, Sue Paterson, David Shearman, Mike Smith, Mitch Twolan, Arlene Wright, Will Rogers  
**Regrets:** Dr. Hazel Lynn  
**Also Present:** Dr. Ian Arra, Drew Ferguson  
**Special Guests:**  
**Secretary:** Erin Meneray

## 1.0 Call to Order

Chair, David Inglis, declared quorum present and called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

## 2.0 Amendments to Agenda

Addition: Other Business, Discussion Re. Health Unit Audit

## 3.0 Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Sue Paterson                      Seconded by: Laurie Laporte  
"THAT, the agenda for October 27, 2017 be approved as amended."

Carried

## 4.0 Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

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

## 5.0 Adoption of Minutes – Friday September 22, 2017

Moved by: Al Barfoot                      Seconded by: Mike Smith  
"THAT, the minutes of Friday September 22, 2017 be approved as presented."

Carried

## 6.0 Staff Presentation: Bob Hart, Public Beach Management Program Update

## 7.0 Correspondence

- 7.1 Peterborough Public Health Re. Federal Legalization of Cannabis
- 7.2 Middlesex-London Health Unit Re. Fluoride Varnish Programs for Children

- 7.3 Durham Region Re. Vaccine for Child Care Workers  
Moved by: Alan Barfoot                      Seconded by: Arlene Wright

“WHEREAS, it is the position of the Grey Bruce Health Unit to support vaccines for high risk groups and those working with high risk groups, which would include child care workers, and

WHEREAS, it is the position of the Health Unit that access to services should not be restricted due to financial hardship,

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT, the Board of Health supports the recommendations of the Council of Ontario Medical Officers of Health with respect to providing publically funded vaccines for child care workers.”

Carried

Moved by: Mike Smith                      Seconded by: Kevin Eccles  
“THAT, the Board of Health receives the October correspondence as presented.”

Carried

## **8.0 Reports**

### 8.1 October Reports

#### 8.1.1 MOH Report – Radon

Questions and Answers on Radon can be found on our website:

<https://www.publichealthgreybruce.on.ca/Your-Environment/Healthy-Housing/Radon> as well as links to additional information.

It was noted that the Ministry of Municipal Affairs is considering broader requirements in the [Building Code](#) for radon mitigation in construction of all new houses across Ontario.

#### 8.1.2 Public Health Funding and Accountability Agreement Indicators

The 2016 and 2017 year-end indicators summary table was reviewed. For 2016, the health unit met or exceeded on all indicators.

#### 8.1.3 Program Report – October – Drew Ferguson

### 8.2 News Releases

#### 8.2.1 Call to Action: Working Collectively to Prevent Falls Across the Lifespan

#### 8.2.2 Dr. Hazel Lynn Appointed Acting Medical Officer of Health

#### 8.2.3 Health Unit Launches Breastfeeding Campaign

#### 8.2.4 National Teen Driver Safety Week

#### 8.2.5 Great Big Crunch Supports a Healthy Workplace

8.2.6 Campaign Attacks Medication Misuse

8.2.7 Get Your Flu Shot Early

Moved by: Laurie Laporte

Seconded by: David Inglis

“THAT, the Board of Health receives the October Reports as presented.”

Carried

## 9.0 Financial Report

9.1 Financial Report – August

Moved by: David Shearman

Seconded by: Mike Smith

“THAT, the Board of Health receives the financial report for August 2017 as presented.”

Carried

There was discussion about the lack of funding for the Needle Exchange Program; Health Units have addressed the funding issue with the Ministry in the past. The Ontario Harm Reduction Distribution Program (OHRDP) provides supplies to the 36 Health Units free – however due to high demand, it is not enough. Dr. Arra will connect with COMOH regarding funding and what other health units are doing.

9.2 BOH Finance Working Group Update

The BOH Finance Working Group brought forward a recommended list of year-end spending items.

Moved by: Mitch Twolan

Seconded by: Alan Barfoot

“THAT, the Board of Health approve the recommendations from the Board of Health Finance Working Group.”

Carried

9.3 Draft Policy V-528 Professional Licensing and Association Membership Fees

Moved by: Mitch Twolan

Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, policy V-528 Professional Licensing and Association Membership Fees be approved as presented.”

Carried

9.4 Health Unit Contract for Mobile Phones

The Board was in agreement to remain with the current cell service provider and absorb the up-front cost of renewing the contract.

## 10.0 In-Camera Session

Moved by: Mitch Twolan

Seconded by: Sue Paterson

“THAT, the Board of Health does now go into closed session at 11:15 a.m. to discuss personal matters about identifiable individuals, and labour relations or employee negotiations and that Erin Meneray, will remain present as recording secretary and Drew Ferguson, and Dr. Ian Arra will remain present.”

Carried

*The Board returned to open session at 12:15 p.m. with Chair Inglis presiding.*

Moved by: Mitch Twolan

Seconded by: Alan Barfoot

“THAT, the Board of Health accept the report of the chair as presented in camera.”

Carried

Moved by: Arlene Wright

Seconded by: Mike Smith

“THAT, the Board of Health proceed with the recruitment of a permanent full time Medical Officer of Health.”

Carried

Moved by: Alan Barfoot

Seconded by: Kevin Eccles

“THAT, the Board of Health accept the contract for the Acting Medical Officer of Health dated September 22, 2017 to March 22, 2018 as presented in camera.”

Carried

Moved by: Sue Paterson

Seconded by: Mitch Twolan

“THAT, the Board of Health accept the terms of the physician contract dated November 1, 2017 to April 30, 2018 as amended.”

Carried

*The Board adjourned for recess at 12:20 p.m.*

*The Board reconvened at 12:40 p.m. with Chair Inglis Presiding.*

## **11.0 Other Business**

### **11.1 alPHa Executive Director Announcement**

The Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHa) announced the appointment of Loretta Ryan as the new Executive Director.

### **11.2 alPHa Board of Health Section Meeting – November 3, 2017**

The alPHa Fall Meeting is being held on November 3, 2017. Dr. Ian Arra and Chair David Inglis will be in attendance.

### **11.3 Audit Update**

The Health Audit Service Team (HAST), Ontario Internal Audit Division, Treasury Board Secretariat will be on-site beginning November 6 for approximately 6 weeks. The objectives of the audit are to assess

compliance with the Ontario Public Health Organizational Standards and the Public Health Funding and Accountability Agreement.

#### 11.4 MOHLTC Expert Panel on Public Health Report – Discussion

The Ministry is seeking requesting written feedback from stakeholders as part of the consultation process on the Public Health within an Integrated Health System: Report of the Minister’s Expert Panel on Public Health.

Dr. Arra, Al Barfoot, Will Rogers and Drew Ferguson will draft a response. The deadline for submissions is October 31, 2017 however extensions will be granted. The Board Recording Secretary will follow-up regarding an extension.

#### 12.0 Board of Health Meeting Evaluation

The Meeting Evaluation was forwarded electronically.

#### 13.0 Adjournment

By motion of Sue Paterson the Board of Health meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

#### **Next Meeting:**

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Friday, November 24, 2017 Regular BOH Meeting at 10:00 a.m.  
Grey Bruce Health Unit, Owen Sound

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David Inglis  
Chairperson

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Dr. Hazel Lynn  
Acting Medical Officer of Health

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Erin Meneray  
Recording Secretary