

Huron Perth Public Health
BOARD OF HEALTH

Via Zoom

January 12, 2023

AGENDA

Membership Invited: Marg Anderson (Deputy Mayor Central Huron and Councillor, Huron County)
Lesley Biehn (Councillor, City of Stratford)
Rhonda Ehgoetz (Mayor, Perth East and Warden Perth County)
George Finch (Mayor South Huron and Councillor, Huron County)
Todd Kasenberg (Mayor, North Perth and Councillor Perth County)
Marg Luna (Councillor, Town of St Marys)
Bernie MacLellan (Mayor Huron East and Councillor, Huron County)
Bob Parker (Provincial Representative)
Paul Robinson (Provincial Representative)
Cody Sebben (Councillor, City of Stratford)
Bill Vanstone (Deputy Mayor Ashfield-Colbourne-Wawanosh and Councillor, Huron County)

Staff Invited: Dr. Lauren Hayward, Physician Consultant
Dr. Miriam Klassen, MOH and CEO
barb Leavitt, Director of Population Health
Julie Pauli, Director of Corporate Services and Secretary to the Board of Health
Melissa Rintoul, Executive Assistant to the Medical Officer of Health (Recorder)
Tanya Sangster, Director of Community and Family Health
Christina Taylor, Director of Health Protection

Approved minutes of December 8, 2023 Board of Health Meeting *attached* for information purposes.

Julie Pauli, Director of Corporate Services, to chair the meeting until a new Chair is elected.

1. **Land Acknowledgement ~ Bernie MacLellan**
"We acknowledge that the land where we gather today is the traditional territory of the Anishinaabe, Haudenosaunee, Neutral, and Wendat peoples. We acknowledge and recognize our roles and shared responsibilities as treaty people committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation, gratitude, and respect with all Indigenous, First Nation, Métis and Inuit people."
2. **Approval of the Agenda**
Motion for Consideration:
That the Board of Health approve the Agenda for the January 12, 2024 meeting as circulated.
3. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest**
4. **Board of Health Elections**
 - a. **Board of Health Chairperson**
Motion for Consideration
That, (name) be nominated as Chairperson of the Huron Perth Health Unit Board of Health, from this day up until the first Board of Health meeting in January of 2025.
 - b. **Board of Health Vice Chairperson**
Motion for Consideration
That, (name) be nominated as Vice Chairperson of the Huron Perth Health Unit Board of Health, from this day up until the first Board of Health meeting in January of 2025.

c. **Appointment of Board of Health Secretary**

Motion for Consideration

That, (name) be appointed Secretary to the Huron Perth Board of health from this day up until the first Board of Health meeting in January of 2025.

5. **Closed Session**

Motion for Consideration:

That the Board of Health enter into CLOSED session to discuss legal matters pertaining to Strengthening Public Health and HPPH Insurance renewal.

6. **Risk and Governance**

Motion for Consideration:

That the Board of Health operationalize the Risk and Governance Committee as a Committee of the Whole to be operationalized as part of the regular Board of Health agenda and chaired by the Chair of the Board of Health for the year of 2024.

7. **Finance and Personnel**

Motion for Consideration:

That the Board of Health operationalize the Finance and Personnel Committee as a Committee of the Whole to be operationalized as part of the regular Board of Health agenda and chaired by the Chair of the Board of Health for the year of 2024.

8. **Director of Corporate Services Report – Julie Pauli**

a. **Statement of Accounts – November 30, 2023 – *attached***

Motion for Consideration:

That the Board of Health approve the Statement of Accounts for the period ending November 30, 2023.

b. **Financial Transactions – November 1-20, 2023 – *attached***

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health approve the Financial Transaction Reports for the period of November 1-30, 2023, in the total amount of \$1 518 774.74.

9. **MOH Report – Dr Miriam Klassen - *attached***

Motion for Consideration:

That the Board of Health adopt the Report of the Medical Officer of Health as presented.

10. **Business Arising ~ None**

11. **New Business**

a. **Staff Report – The Real Cost of Eating: Food Insecurity in Huron and Perth 2023 – barb Leavitt – *attached***

Motion for Consideration

*That the Huron Perth Public Health (HPPH) Board of Health receive the attached report, *The Real Cost of Eating: Food Insecurity in Huron and Perth 2023*, as information.*

Furthermore, that the HPPH Board of Health direct staff to:

1. Write a letter to the Honourable Sylvia Jones, Deputy Premier and Ontario Minister of Health, in support of continued monitoring of food affordability by public health units as part of the revised 2025 Ontario Public Health Standards, in line with the Association of Local Public Health Agencies (alPHA) resolution [#A23-05: Monitoring Food Affordability in Ontario and Inadequacy of Social Assistance Rates](#);
2. Write a letter to the Honourable Michael Parsa, Ontario Minister of Children, Community and Social Services, and the Honourable Paul Calandra, Ontario Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in support of changes to social assistance payments that reflect the actual cost of living, including rental costs, to ensure that all

recipients of social assistance have enough money for food and shelter and to increase the urgency of the work to address the housing crisis, including increasing affordable housing stock as a strategy to reduce household food insecurity;

3. Write a letter to the Right Honourable Justin Trudeau, Prime Minister of Canada, and the Honourable Sean Fraser, federal Minister of Housing, Infrastructure and Communities to increase the urgency of the work to address the housing crisis, including increasing affordable housing stock as a strategy to reduce household food insecurity.
 - b. **2024 Government of Ontario Budget Submissions – *attached***
Motion for Consideration:
That the Board of Health approves the draft written submission and authorize staff to send to the Government of Ontario for their 2024 Budget Consultations, copying alPHa.
 - c. **Board of Health Self Evaluation – *attached***
For information purposes and Board direction regarding implementation. (Do not fill and return the attached sample)
12. **Other Business**
 13. **Correspondence – *attached***
 - a. Office of the CMOH Memo – Strengthening Public Health – Ontario Public Health Standards Review – Next Steps
 - b. Office of the CMOH Memo – Addendum: Strengthening Public Health, Roles and Responsibilities
 - c. alPHa letter re: Expansion of Alcohol Distribution
 - d. Premier of Ontario response re: Importance of Local Health Promotion
 - e. Municipality of North Perth letter re: Public Health UnderfundingMotion for Consideration:
That the Board of Health receive correspondence items for information purposes.
 14. **Approval of the Minutes of the January 12, 2024, Board of Health meeting**
Motion for Consideration:
That the Board of Health approve the minutes of the January 12, 2024, Board of Health meeting as presented.
 15. **Date of Next Meeting**
The date of the next meeting will be held on **Friday, February 9, 2024** via zoom.
 16. **Adjournment**
Motion for Consideration:
That the meeting of the Huron Perth Public Health Board of Health be adjourned as of X:XX am.
 17. **Public Announcements**
 18. **Education Session – Health Promotion and Well-Being and Mental Health Framework**

RSVP to Melissa Rintoul at 1-888-221-2133 ext. 3256 or mrintoul@hpph.ca if you are unable to attend this meeting.