



Ottawa Board of Health

Minutes

Meeting #: 12
Date: September 16, 2024
Time: 5:00 pm
Location: Champlain Room, 110 Laurier Avenue West, and by electronic participation

Present: Chair Catherine Kitts, Vice-Chair Tammy DeGiovanni, Member Nwanneka Ejiofor, Member Brent Bauer, Member Marty Carr, Member Sabrina Chung, Member Laura Dudas, Member Glen Gower, Member Theresa Kavanagh, Member Rawlson King

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1. Notices and meeting information for meeting participants and the public
Please see the attached document for public notices and meeting information, including: availability of simultaneous interpretation and accessibility accommodations; *in camera* meeting procedures; processes and timelines for

written and oral submissions; personal information disclaimer for correspondents and public speakers; notices regarding minutes; and remote participation details.

2. Roll Call

All members of the Board of Health were present at roll call.

3. Regrets

None.

4. Declarations of Interest

None.

5. Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

Confirmation of minutes of the meeting of June 17, 2024.

Carried

6. Communications

Three communication items have been received (held on file with the Board of Health Secretary).

7. Motion to Introduce Reports

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chair of the Board of Health Verbal Report, the Medical Officer of Health Verbal Report, and the reports titled: Update of Ottawa Public Health's 2024-2025 Immunization Plan, 2025 Budget Planning and Considerations for Ottawa Public Health, 2025 Ottawa Board of Health Meeting Schedule, 2024 Operating and Capital Budget Q2– Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit Status Report and Appointment of Associate Medical Officer of Health – in camera – personal matters about an identifiable individual - reporting out date: upon council approval, be received and considered.

Carried

7.1 Chair of the Board of Health Verbal Report

File ACS2024-OPH-BOH-0012– City-wide

Chair Kitts welcomed the new Board of Health Member, Member Nwanneka Ejiofor. Furthermore, Chair Kitts advised that fellow Board Member, Dr. Brown-Shreves has resigned from the Board, effective immediately.

Chair Kitts shared news regarding the Healthy Babies, Health Children Program, noting the program which is funded by the Ministry of Children, Community and Social Services will see a 16.5 per cent annual increase to the base funding for Ottawa Public Health's Healthy Growth and Development Team. The Chair thanked the Ministry for their ongoing commitment to improving the health outcomes of the City's youngest residents.

Chair Kitts discussed her participation in the Association of Municipalities of Ontario Annual General Meeting, which she attended in August, noting that it was an excellent opportunity to engage with municipal leaders across the province to share ideas to improve and promote the health and wellbeing of all people in Ottawa.

Chair Kitts acknowledge the National Day for Truth and Reconciliation, which is observed on September 30, 2024, noting the day is dedicated to the profound, painful impact of residential schools and to honor the memory of missing Indigenous children, their families, and the survivors of these colonial institutions.

In closing, Chair Kitts also recognized that September is Suicide Prevention Month and discussed Ottawa Public Health's strategic goals to promote wellbeing and reduce harms as it relates to mental health, addictions and substance use health.

The discussion on this item lasted approximately 10 minutes. The report was then received by the Board. The attached memo includes the Chair's Verbal Update

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive this verbal report for information.

Carried

7.2 Medical Officer of Health Verbal Report

File ACS2024-OPH-MOH-0005 – City-wide

Dr. Etches provided the Board with a Respiratory Update and invited Ottawa Public Health employees to present more information on the upcoming 2024/2025 Respiratory Season. She also spoke to several initiatives and areas of focus of Ottawa Public Health including Childhood Immunizations, the Provincial Announcement regarding Alcohol Sales, Overdose Awareness Day and Consumption and Treatment Services within the City of Ottawa.

With respect to the update regarding the provincial announcement on changes to consumption treatment services in the province, and the new HART hub model, Member Dudas brought forward a direction to staff that the Medical Officer of Health write a letter to Dr. Kieran Moore, Ontario's Chief Medical Officer of Health, sharing findings indicated within the verbal report, regarding the closure of consumption and treatment service sites, community needs, the work of the Overdose Prevention and Response Task Force, and on OPH's role supporting local applications for the Homelessness and Addictions Recovery and Treatment Hubs

The discussion on this item lasted approximately 30 minutes.

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive this verbal report for information.

7.3 Update of Ottawa Public Health's 2024-2025 Immunization Plan

File ACS – ACS2024-OPH-EHI-0003 - City-wide

The Board of Health held the report for further discussion. Discussion of the report lasted approximately 10 minutes long.

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa receive, for information, the 2024-2025 Immunization Plan, as outlined in this report.

Received

7.4 2025 Budget Planning and Considerations for Ottawa Public Health

File ACS2024-OPH-BDS-0003 - City-wide

The Board received a presentation from Ottawa Public Health staff.

Discussions of the report and presentation lasted approximately 9 minutes.

That the Ottawa Board of Health receive the 2025 Budget Planning and Considerations for Ottawa Public Health report for information.

7.5 2025 Ottawa Board of Health Meeting Schedule

File - ACS2024-OPH-BOH-0013 - City -wide

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit approve the 2025 meeting schedule, as outlined in this report.

Carried

7.6 2024 Operating and Capital Budget Q2– Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit Status Report

File - ACS2024-OPH-BDS-0004 - City-wide

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

That the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit receive the 2024 Q2 operating and capital budget status report for information.

Carried

8. Information Previously Distributed

9. In Camera Items*

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9.1 Appointment of Associate Medical Officer of Health

File ACS2024-OPH-MOH-0006 – City-wide

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit resolve In Camera pursuant to Section 13(1)(b) of the Procedure By-law 2011-1 to consider personal matters about an identifiable individual with respect to the appointment of an associate medical officer of health.

Carried

10. Motion to Adopt Reports

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Chair of the Board of Health Verbal Report, the Medical Officer of Health Verbal Report, and the reports titled: Update of Ottawa Public Health's 2024-2025 Immunization Plan, 2025 Budget Planning and Considerations for Ottawa Public Health, 2025 Ottawa Board of Health Meeting Schedule, 2024 Operating and Capital Budget Q2– Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit Status Report and Appointment of Associate Medical Officer of Health – in camera – personal matters about an identifiable individual - reporting out date: upon council approval, be received and adopted.

Carried

11. Motions Requiring Suspension of the Rules of Procedure

None.

12. Notices of Motions (For Consideration at Subsequent Meeting)

None.

13. Confirmation By-law

Moved by Member Brent Bauer

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Confirmation By-law no. 2024-3, a by-law of the Board of Health for the City of Ottawa Health Unit to confirm the proceedings of the Ottawa Board of Health at its meeting of September 16, 2024, be read and passed.

Carried

14. Inquiries

None.

15. Adjournment

The Board adjourned the meeting at 6:11pm.

16. Next Meeting

Monday, November 4, 2024 - 5:00 PM

Original signed by C. Whitar, Board
Secretary

Original signed by Councillor C.
Kitts, Board Chair