

Huron Perth Public Health
BOARD OF HEALTH

In Person
West Gore Office – WG2/3

June 12, 2026
9:30 am

MINUTES

Membership Present: Marg Anderson (Deputy Mayor Central Huron and Councillor, Huron County)
Lesley Biehn (Councillor, City of Stratford) *
George Finch (Mayor South Huron and Councillor, Huron County)
Bernie MacLellan, Chair (Mayor Huron East and Councillor, Huron County)
Bob Parker (Provincial Representative)
Jared Petteplace (Provincial Representative) *
Paul Robinson (Provincial Representative)
Cody Sebben (Councillor, City of Stratford) *
Bill Vanstone (Deputy Mayor Ashfield-Colbourne-Wawanosh and Councillor, Huron County)
Adam Waxman (Provincial Representative) arrived at 9:38am
Robert Wilhelm (Deputy Mayor, Perth South and Councillor, Perth County)

Membership Regrets: Sheryl Feagan (Provincial Representative)
Todd Kasenberg, Vice-Chair (Mayor, North Perth, and Councillor Perth County)
Marg Luna, (Councillor, Town of St Marys)

Staff Present: Dr. Lauren Hayward, Physician Consultant
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

Staff Regrets: Dr. Miriam Klassen, Medical Officer of Health and CEO

Media Present: Nicole Beswitherick, Midwestern Newspapers

***Attended virtually**

1. **Land Acknowledgement ~ George Finch**
"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 approves the agenda for the June 12, 2026, meeting as circulated.

Motion made by: Bill Vanstone
Seconded by: George Finch
Carried.

3. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest ~ None**

4. **CLOSED SESSION**

Motion for Consideration:

*That the Board of Health move into closed session at 9:32 am for discussion of:
Personal and identifiable matters (finance and personnel), as related to the 2027 Budget.*

Motion made by: Robert Wilhelm
Seconded by: Paul Robinson
Carried.

The Board of Health returned to OPEN session at 10:25 am.

Reporting Out

- The Board of Health provided staff with directions, in regard to budget planning for 2027.

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

a. **Statement of Accounts – April 2026**

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health approves the Statement of Accounts for the period ending April 30th, 2026, as presented.

Motion made by: Jared Petteplace
Seconded by: Lesley Biehn
Carried.

b. **Financial Transactions – April 1–30, 2026**

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health approves the Financial Transaction Reports for the period of April 1 – April 30, 2026, in total amount of \$1,662,464.41.

Motion made by: Cody Sebben
Seconded by: Marg Anderson
Carried.

6. **MOH Report – Dr Miriam Klassen**

Christina Taylor, Director of Health Protection and Dr Lauren Hayward, Physician Consultant, provided supplementary information and answered questions in regard to tick exposures in the HPPH area.

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health receives the Report of the Medical Officer of Health for information purposes.

Motion made by: Bob Parker
Seconded by: Robert Wilhelm
Carried.

7. **Business Arising ~ None**

8. **New Business**

a. **Board of Health Meetings in July and August 2026 – Julie**

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health direct staff to cancel the meetings scheduled for the months of July and August in 2026, with the understanding that, in the case of an urgent matter that cannot be dealt with via email, a formal meeting may be called by the Chair.

Motion made by: George Finch
Seconded by: Robert Wilhelm
Carried.

b. Staff Report – Blastomycosis Inquest Q2025-31

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health provides a response to the Office of the Chief Coroner as indicated in the report; and that Dr Miriam Klassen, Medical Officer of Health and CEO be listed as the contact.

Motion made by: George Finch
Seconded by: Marg Anderson
Carried.

c. Board of Health Policies and Procedures

i. 1.09.010 Complaints – Julie Pauli

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health approves the reviewed Board of Health Policy 1.09.010 Complaints as presented.

Motion made by: George Finch
Seconded by: Bill Vanstone
Carried.

ii. 1.09.050 Adverse Events Involving Risk to Clients – Lauren Hayward

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health approves the reviewed Board of Health Policy 1.09.050 Adverse Events Involving Risk to Clients as presented.

Motion made by: Lesley Biehn
Seconded by: George Finch
Carried.

iii. 1.09.060 Legal Advice – Julie Pauli

Motion for Consideration

That the Board of Health approves the reviewed Board of Health Policy 1.09.060 Legal Advice as presented.

Motion made by: Robert Wilhelm
Seconded by: Bob Parker
Carried.

d. HPPH Emergency Notification System (RAVE) – Julie Pauli

Julie Pauli, Director of Corporate Services, provided an overview of the RAVE alert system, used by HPPH, to communicate urgent messages to staff and Board of Health members. Julie also conducted a real-time test of the system with the Board membership during the meeting.

9. Other Business ~ None

10. **Correspondence**

- a. Algoma PH letter re Support of Alcohol Labelling Policy (Bill S-202)
- b. Algoma PH letter re Health Smiles Ontario Fee Schedule and Access to Dental Care for Children and Youth
- c. City of Sudbury letter re Community Drug Strategy for the City of Greater Sudbury Position Statement
- d. HP & Area OHT Quarterly Update for Boards of Directors
- e. WECHU BOH Resolution – Enhancing Municipal Readiness for Ontario's BYOB Legislation Through Public Health
- f. WECHU BOH Resolution – Waterpipe Smoking Restrictions

Motion for Consideration:

That the Board of Health receives correspondence items for information purposes.

Motion made by: George Finch
Seconded by: Adam Waxman
Carried.

11. **Approval of the Minutes of June 12, 2026, Board of Health meeting**

Motion for Consideration:

That the Board of Health approves the minutes of June 12, 2026, Board of Health meeting as presented.

Motion made by: George Finch
Seconded by: Adam Waxman
Carried.

12. **Date of Next Meeting**

The date of the next meeting will be held on **Friday September 11, 2026, at 9:30am, in person at the West Gore office of HPPH.**

13. **Adjournment**

Motion for Consideration:

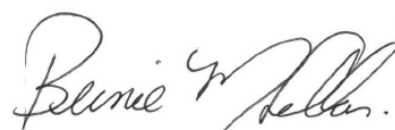
That the meeting of the Huron Perth Public Health Board of Health be adjourned as of 10:59 am.

Motion made by: Marg Anderson
Seconded by: Jared Petteplace
Carried.

14. **Public Announcements**

15. **Education Session – The Water You Drink: A Collaborative Approach to Keeping it Safe, presented by Lori Collins, Manager of Environmental Health - *deferred***

Respectfully submitted,



Bernie MacLellan, Chair