



BURLINGTON BOARD OF HEALTH
645 PINE STREET MAPPING CONFERENCE ROOM OR REMOTELY VIA ZOOM
MINUTES OF MEETING
December 19, 2023

1. Agenda

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Board Chair Celia Bird called the meeting to order at 6:38 pm.
Members present -Celia Bird, Jenny Tomczak, Pat Payne, Hannah Cunningham,
Health Officer Bill Ward

Patrick made a motion to approve the agenda, 2nd by Jenny. Unanimous support.

Subject	1.1. Motion to amend/adopt agenda
Meeting	December 19, 2023 - Board of Health - Tuesday, December 19, 2023, 6:30 PM, 645 Pine Street Mapping Conference Room OR REMOTELY via ZOOM
Category	1. Agenda
Department	
Type	
Recommended Action	
	1.1. Motion to amend/adopt agenda

2. Approval of draft minutes

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Hannah made a motion to approve the Draft October minutes, 2nd by Patrick. Unanimous support.

Patrick made a motion to approve the Draft November minutes amended to add a period in Item 7 after the statement Celia discussed Gun Lock Safety. 2nd by Jenny. Unanimous Support.

3. Public Forum

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Subject	3.1. Verbal Comments
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Department	Council and Board

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3.1. Verbal Comments

One Burlington resident, Timothy Williams, spoke during public forum to note his interest in the agenda item on Safe Syringe Disposal.

4. Board Member vacancy

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Hannah noted that her term as a youth member of the Board of Health was ending this month and December would be her last meeting. Board members offered their praise for her work and dedication to the efforts of the Board during her term.

Patrick noted that the previous posting for the Board of Health member vacancy went unfilled, and it was posted until early February when the City Council would approve applicants. He suggested board members reach out to possible applicants and encourage them to apply before the deadline.

5. Substance Abuse and Safe Syringe Disposal

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Patrick gave a syringe disposal update. He added that he was traveling during the last CommStat meeting and was unable to attend. He had been working with Deryk Roach at Burlington Parks, Recreation and waterfront discussing syringe disposal. The disposal container at City Hal park has been used regularly and successfully. There is a possible site for a Board of Health disposal container near 85 Pine Street.

6. Eradicating Systemic Racism

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Board member not present to provide a report for this month. The December update will be included in the January meeting.

Celia provided an update on the media release that she sent to local media in the week following the shooting of three Palestinian students in Burlington. A copy of the release will be included in the minutes.

7. Budget requests

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Patrick reported on possible board member attendance at a 2024 national conference if there is interest. The National Association of Local Boards of Health (NALBOH) will be in Nashville TN from August 12-14th. The National Association of County & City Health Officials (NACCHO) is hosting a Preparedness Summit on March 25-28 in Cleveland, OH.

Patrick will distribute materials to members.

The board discussed researching 2024 tabling events to use the new banner/tablecloth. They also discussed handout items and possible purchases. Sunscreen purchases were specifically discussed, and board members were going to research vendors for 1 or 2 ounce sunscreen handouts that could be imprinted with the BOH logo.

8. Chair Report

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Celia provided an update on gun safety that included programs and upcoming events for consideration.

9. Public Outreach / Communications

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Patrick will provide a FPF update on Rabies for the next monthly message.

10. Adjournment

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Patrick made a motion to adjourn. 2nd by Jenny. Unanimous in favor. The meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Subject	10.1. Motion to adjourn
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Category	10. Adjournment
Department	Council and Board
Type	
Recommended Action	
10.1. Motion to adjourn	