

Wasauksing Health Committee Minutes Tuesday, November 9, 2021 5:00pm-7:00pm Wasauksing Administration Meeting Room

Community Committee Members:

Christina Vasiliou; Pazhe Rice; Dora Tabobondung; Lisa Tabobondung

Staff Resources:

Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health

Recorder:

Rachel D. Pegahmagabow, Health Director Assistant

Community Members:

Dave Pawis

Regrets:

Brent Tabobandung, Chief Councillor; Elizabeth Taylor

Opening Prayer – Dora Tabobondung

Meeting called to order – 5:21pm

1. Agenda- Review and Acceptance

That the Health Committee reviewed and accepted the November 19th, 2021 Agenda with the addition of Christmas Planning under Health Programming.

Agenda accepted by Consensus

2. Minutes- Review and Acceptance

That the Health Committee reviewed and accepted the minutes from July 21, 2021 and minute notes from October 12, 2021.

Moved by Christina Vasiliou

Seconded by Dora Tabobondung
Carried by Consensus

Community member DP presented himself at the Health Committee meeting Tuesday, November 9, 2021 and his interpretation of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The Health Committee queried about DP wanting to join the committee. DP declined.

3. Terms of Reference:

Deb provided draft of shortened TOR to Health Committee.

4. Health Director Updates:

Program Updates:

• NNADAP:

National Addictions Awareness Week:

- Sunday 21st: Breakfast served by Chief and Council at the HUB
- Monday 22nd: Community Scavenger Hunt
- o Tuesday 23rd: Self Care Day
- Wednesday 24th: APS NNADAP School Visit
- Thursday 25th: Candlelight Vigil at the cemetery

To have indoor Wasauksing First Nation community events requiring double COVID-19 vaccination status.

Agreed by Consensus

• Regional Mental Wellness Program – Ntam Nishnabeg Jiigbiig:

- Services for community crisis and land based activities.
- Programming is evolving to meet needs of the communities.

• Christmas Planning:

- o Christmas Tea for the Elders will be delivered to homes again this year.
 - To have poinsettias and baked goods.
- The gift cards for on territory households will be happening this year, information to follow.

Health Committee Members

 Call out for Health Committee youth members went out on social media and the sign at the bridge. Meaghan Tabobondung and Skyler Newton will be joining December's meeting.

Flu Prep:

- o Kits:
 - Will be delivered to households December 10, 2021
 - 2 boxes of masks will be included in the kits and thermometers.
- Clinics:
 - Drive thru will be happening like last year.
 - Call to book an appointment

COVID-19 Update:

- o COVID-19 reporting from Director of Health now once a week on Monday
 - Numbers increasing slowly, wave shouldn't be much higher
- o COVID-19 is anticipated to be an endemic
- o Moderna 3rd doses to be given on November 9th and 10th
 - Over 70 years old- full dose
 - Under 70 years old- half dose
- o Pfizer 3rd doses to begin week of November 15-19, 2021. Will be happening over the course of the next month.
 - Pfizer Boosters:
 - 2nd dose in March or April 2021, 3rd dose in November 2021
 - 2nd dose in May 2021, 3rd dose in December 2021
 - 2nd dose in June 2021, 3rd dose in January 2022
 - 2nd dose in July 2021, 3rd dose in February 2022
 - 2nd dose in August 2021, 3rd dose in March 2022
- Vaccine Passport:
 - If assistance is needed, call the Nursing Station
 - QR code can be downloaded through website onto cellphone.
- FNIHB will be doing vaccinations for ages 5-11.
- Deb currently writing list for boosters and flu vaccinations.
 - Boosters and flu shots can be given at the same time.
- Emergency Response Team
 - Email ert@wasauksing.ca and doh@wasauksing.ca with summary of event, number of people, and the space size.

Staffing Update - Health

- o Mariah Atatise-Jourdain has returned as the Traditional Wellness Coordinator.
- o Amanda Maliska has returned as the RPN on modified duties and is doing foot care.
- Lisa Gregory has left the position RN Case Manager, position is posted.
- Danette Kropf has accepted the position of CDE RN and will be orientated by Lisa Nyland.
- o Rachel Deschenes- Pegahmagabow is the Director of Health Assistant.

Health Building Addition:

- Separate public health area will be added to building instead of c-cans.
 - C-cans will be used for storage
 - Testing machines will be moved inside from c-cans.
 - Testing machines are for covid-19, strep, and flu.
- Spring 2022 is the projected completion date.

5. Next Meeting: Thursday, December 9, 2021 at 5:00pm

Meeting Adjourned – 7:10pm

Closing Prayer - Deb Pegahmagabow