



Wasauksing Health Committee - Update Session
Tuesday, September 13, 2022
5:00pm-7:00pm
Wasauksing Administration Meeting Room

Community Committee Members:

Pazhe Rice

Staff Resources:

Deborah Pegahmagabow, Director of Health

Recorder:

Rachel D. Pegahmagabow, Health Director Assistant

Regrets:

Brent Tabobandung, Chief Councillor;
Dora Tabobandung;
Lisa Tabobandung;
Elizabeth Taylor;
Meaghan Tabobandung;
Christina Vasiliou

Opening Prayer –

Chair – Deb Pegahmagabow

Meeting called to order – 5:30pm

1. Agenda- Review and Acceptance

That the reviewing and accepting of the agenda for September 13th, 2022 did not occur due to no quorum, meeting turned into an update session.

2. Minutes- Review and Acceptance

That the reviewing and accepting of minutes from December 9, 2021, March 10, 2022, and April 16, 2022 are deferred to October's meeting due to no quorum.

3. Health Director Updates:

COVID-19 Update:

- Call Nursing Station to book your booster appointment
 - 5 years old and under will not be done through the Wasauksing Nursing Station, parents will have to contact their primary care physician or public health.
 - If you've had covid recently you have to wait 84 days after last day of having covid before you can receive your booster dose.

Flu Update:

- Flu kits are being prepared to go out in October
- Flu shots- call the Nursing Station.

2022-2023 Health Programming:

- CHR
 - Tick collecting is still happening well into September
 - Mosquito collecting is being suspended for now as the cold weather snap resulted in only one mosquito being collected over the last few days.
- Dietitian/Diabetes
 - Taking over Meals on Wheels program from Home and Community Care
- NNADAP/Dietitian
 - Canoe trip was completed in August with youth.
 - Sailing certification and trip completed in August/September with youth.
- Traditional Wellness
 - Attended language immersion program in Sudbury
 - Had an Anishinabemowin immersion camp on August 31 on Wasauksing
 - Policy for Traditional Wellness program has commenced
 - Referral to program is being established
- CARA
 - Ball season is well underway- t-ball, junior ball, adult mixed.
 - Joined the Jays Care "Girls at Bat" program, trip to Toronto to see a game- 20 tickets received
 - \$10k received from Jays Foundation, how to celebrate children is to be determined.
 - U18 Jr boys represented Wasauksing at All Ontario Fastball/
- Primary Care
 - Preparation for the 2022 Health Fair is underway, happening on Wednesday, September 28th.
 - Preparatory work for the immunization clinics (book appointments) is underway.
 - Mandatory masking to remain in whole Nursing Station as it is deemed a high risk work environment
 - The following infections we've seen in clinic since May 2022
 - Influenza
 - Strep Throat
 - Scarlett Fever
 - E-coli
 - COVID
 - TB
- Home and Community Care
 - Will be reviewing needs for finalization of our Palliative Care Program Component- nurses have completed training, looking at augmenting this service- working closely with unit in WPSHC.

- Mental Wellness Team
 - DOH meeting with staff has resumed- reporting template is being revised.
 - Re-engagement with northern and all communities- will establish a new forum of needs assessment inquiry over the next few months
 - Arlen is the navigator for Wasauksing.
 - No response from any of the Health Directors.

Health Human Resource

- Interviews are being set up for the following:
 - PSW (Home and Community Care)- hired one, will be posting another PSW position for a maternity leave.
 - Regional Mental wellness/Crisis Program Manager: interview set for next week (Sept 20-23).
 - Health Admin Clerk-PT contract- interviews set for Sept 17th and 18th.
 - Registered Practical Nurse- 2 RPNs: 1 for foot care, 1 for EMR/Primary Care reception.

Health Addition:

- Cabinets ordered, desks being ordered
- Floor complete
- Roof on
- Walls done- colour: Full Moon
- Currently under budget

4. Next Meeting: Tuesday, October 11, 2022 at 5:00pm

Meeting Adjourned – 6:30pm

Closing Prayer –