

BOARD OF HEALTH
MONDAY, MAY 20, 2024
RESOURCE ROOM

Attendance: Chair Bob Brazeau, Vice chair Cory Howard, Dick Skinner, Dave Balbi (remote), Maryellen Brisbois (remote), Kristin Harris Administration

Absent: Agnieszka Podstawka Public Nurse

Bob Brazeau called the meeting to order.

1. (0:15 TS) Emily Whittaker and Jenna Gouin – BVPPH New Hires – Regional Health Inspectors for Community Health Worker – Vote to act as agent for the BOH
Jenna is the community health worker, and her role will be working with individuals that have underlying, untreated or poorly treated mental health conditions and substance use disorders. She will also be able to work with anybody or family that has a need to connect to local resources and services. She has already met with the fire department, police department, EMS department, and the Senior Center to get information on the towns needs for services. Ms. Gouin updated the Board on everything she has done and who she has connected with already and who she will be connecting with and collaborating with. She will provide the Board with a summary of her resources and her notes she has regarding the town and identifying gaps. Emily Whittaker is the regional health inspector and she started about a month ago, and she explained what she does and went through her schedule with the towns she works with. She has been a health food inspector for 3 years and she answered other questions from the Board members.
(18:15 TS) Motion to vote Jenna Gouin and Emily Whittaker to act as agents in respect to their roles to represent the Douglas Board of Health made by Cory Howard, 2nd by Dick Skinner. The vote passed unanimously.

(19:00 TS) Bob Brazeau called the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephenie Gosselin