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Minutes: December 1, 2022, 10.00 am via Zoom and in the AHC boardroom

Present: Rod Ward (Chair), Tom Bryson, Delynne Patterson, Norm Hofstetter, Brad Kneller, Margaret Ann MacPhail, Vicky Roeder-Martin, Cheryl Philip, Fraser Williamson (Vice Chair)
Camille Barr (Secretary)
Regrets: Jim Ronholm
Guests: Kevin MacLeod (BFFHT)

Called to order at 10:01 am by Chair R. Ward

1. 2022-25 Moved by N. Hofstetter - Seconded by T. Bryson
THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Almaguin Highlands Health Council adopt the minutes from the regular meeting of November 3, 2022. Carried.

2. **DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY OF INTEREST:** None

3. **DELEGATIONS:** None

4. **RESOLUTIONS PASSED:**

2022-26 Moved by B. Kneller - Seconded by T. Bryson
Therefore be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands Health Council appoint Rod Ward as Chair for the 2022-2026 term of Council. Carried.

2022-27 Moved by R. Ward - Seconded by N. Hofstetter
Therefore be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands Health Council appoint Fraser Williamson as Vice Chair for the 2022-2026 term of Council. Carried.

2022-28 Moved by N. Hofstetter- Seconded by D. Patterson
Therefore be it resolved that the Almaguin Highlands Health Council received a letter on behalf of the MAOHT Health Human Resources Task Force regarding the Health Human Resources Recruiter and support the request; and

Further Council recommends each member municipality resolve to commit up to \$1,000.00 annually for three years to support the Recruiter position. Carried.

5. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A) **Overview of Almaguin Highlands Health Council- Presentation**

R. Ward provided the group and overview of the AHHC to date. Presentation covered how the Council was formed, its goals, and progress to date.

B) **Progress Report**

The AHHC Progress Report for November was reviewed as part of the Council presentation.

C) **Council Appointment to Date**

The following people have been appointed or there is intent to appoint at the next meeting of municipal council:

Rod Ward- Armour

Delynne Patterson- Ryerson

Fraser Williamson- Sundridge

Jim Ronholm- Strong

Tom Bryson- Joly

Brad Kneller- Magnetawan

Margaret Ann MacPhail- Perry

Vicky Roeder-Martin- McMurrich-Monteith

Cheryl Philip- Kearney

Burk's Falls appointing at next meeting of Council

K. MacLeod has offered all new and returning members a tour and introduction to the Burk's Falls Family Health Team services and facility.

D) **MAOHT Recruitment Funds Request**

The Almaguin Highlands Health Council received a letter from the Muskoka and Area Ontario Health Team regarding financial support for the Health Human Resources Recruiter position. This request is supported by the AHHC and will be sent to the member municipalities with a recommendation of how much each could contribute toward the role. As a reminder the position will focus on strategic recruitment and retention of primary care clinicians within the MAOHT catchment.

E) **Hospital 'Local Share' Review**

As previously shared, municipalities will be asked to contribute 10% towards the 'local share' of the Huntsville and Bracebridge new hospital builds. Three years ago, this was projected to be \$74,000.00. With inflation we can expect it to be much greater. There is no action on this however municipalities should consider how this will be funded within their community.

Discussion occurred regarding the Ontario Lottery and Gaming Corporation (OLG) and how much they contribute towards this initiative. R. Ward said this is a matter that can be discussed with the Association of Municipalities (AMO).

F) **Other business**
None

2022- 29 Moved by F. Williamson - Seconded by D. Patterson
THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Almaguin Highlands Health Council adjourn at 11:10 am to meet again on January 5th, 2023, at 10:00 am. Carried.

Location will be in person at the AHHC unless notified otherwise.