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BOH: Minutes from the Board Meeting on March 2, 2023

The meeting was called to order at 4:30 PM. The Members in attendance: Board Chairperson, Dr. Brophy, Fr. Fiske, James Doucette (Code Enforcement Officer), and myself, Eno Mondesir (Exec. Health Officer, Ex. Officio).

I briefly welcomed the members and then introduced Dr. Brophy who led the meeting. Once all attendees had a chance to introduce themselves, Dr. Brophy moved right into the agenda. The minutes from February Board meeting were presented to the Board. Then, Dr. Brophy made the motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Fiske seconded and the Board voted unanimously to approve them.

COVID-19 Update: I, Eno Mondesir provided the latest COVID-19 Statistics to the Directors. I spoke of the prevalence of COVID-19 in Brockton, including various aspects of COVID-19 data: MAVEN, Wastewater sample from Brockton sewer. Then, I highlighted for the Directors the ongoing vaccination campaign in the City by the BOH Public Health Nurses. Dr. Brophy asked if BOH/Nurses provide both flu and COVID-19 vaccine to everyone at our clinic.

Dr. Brophy commented on COVID-19 concentration in the wastewater data. She did notice that for the first time the concentration has dropped below 1 million copies of the COVID-19 virus per 1L of wastewater.

Also, Dr. Brophy asked how the Gift Cards Incentive has been working out. I responded that the gift Cards have really incentivized some people to get vaccinated. In addition to that, partnering with Council On Aging (COA) to get people to vaccinate has been a very positive outcome

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Mr. Fiske has asked natural immunity plays a significant role in helping people fight COVID-19 Infection. Both Dr. Brophy and I clarified for Mr. Fiske that natural Immunity does vary from one individual to the next. Overall, some individuals who are relatively healthy, and fewer or no preexisting medical conditions fair better.

I further mentioned that with the Mayor's Office of Constituents led by John Messia, the Wellness Trust Team has partnered with Brockton Neighborhood Health to push vaccination clinic much further.

Dr. Brophy: after I provided the COVID-19 update, Dr. Brophy asked if there were any questions from other Directors. At that, Mr. Fiske answered that the information presented was valuable, and that he did not have any further comment or questions.

On the Brockton Hospital closure due to the Fire in February: I summarized for the Board the initiatives undertaken by the Hospital Personnel and various stakeholders to tackle the problem. Great effort is being deployed by everyone involved to work synergistically to remedy the situation and reopen the Hospital the soonest possible.

Miscellaneous:

I reminded the Directors about the phasing out of the Executive Order signed by Governor Baker, extending remote meeting date to March 2023. BOH's next meeting is scheduled for April 6, 2023

Closing the Meeting: As the meeting draws to an end, Dr. Brophy made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Fiske seconded the motion.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:08 PM.