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### **BOH: Minutes from the Board Meeting on OCTOBER 5, 2023**

The meeting was called to order at 4:30. The Members in attendance: Board Chairperson, Dr. Brophy, Fr. Fiske, and then Eno Mondesir (Exec. Health Officer, Ex. Officio); Dr. Andrade was not able to attend.

**Ref.:** Also, in attendance were: ISD Inspector Patrick Lawton, representing the City vs. Maria Pires, landlord requesting a hearing on her property located at 18 Essex Street, Brockton, which was declared "**UNFIT FOR HUMAN HABITATION.**"

I briefly welcomed the members and then introduced Dr. Brophy who led the meeting. The minutes from the September 7th Board meeting were presented to the Board. Then, Dr. Brophy asked for a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Fiske so moved, and the Board voted unanimously to approve them.

Next agenda item: The Chairperson of the BOH called on Inspector Lawton and Ms. Pires to present case mentioned above. Inspector Lawton lay out the facts and circumstances leading to Ms. Pires' requesting a hearing in relation to her property being declared Unfit For Human Habitation. After hearing both sides of the case, the BOH determined that Ms. Pires does not have a ground to resist the City Ordinances and that she must fix the property and bring it to compliance.

Dr. Brophy: Next agenda Item: The Life Science Project. Based upon the advice that we have received from other experts in the field, it seems that Brockton has a viable option to hire a consultant to help more the project forward.

Dr. Brophy: Have we heard from the Mayor yet?

Dr. Brophy: The Incidence rate of COVID-19 in Brockton:

Reply (EM-E.H.O): I gave the updates on COVID-19, the current data with one more death-related to COVID. (we are now at 539 deaths overall)

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Dr. Brophy: As the flu season starts, will BOH provide COVID-19 Vaccine and Flu vaccine simultaneously?

Reply (EM-E.H.O.): The Public Health Nurses are planning to give both vaccines simultaneously to anyone who wants to.

Dr. Brophy: How are the BOH Nurses and the CHW handling the workload due to increased DOT/MDOT? I know that they are doing a lot. Does BOH have enough staff?

Reply (EM-E.H.O.): At times, we do have more infections, which requires an increase in the amount of the Nurses' and CHW's time. We try to manage our resources to meet the demands.

We plan on hiring an Epidemiologist to help gather significant information on the health of our residents.

Dr. Brophy: How are we doing on Health Promotion?

Reply (EM-E.H.O.): We continue to address the needs with our partners from other municipalities, local and State as well. Key challenges continue to be mental health, and homelessness.

Dr. Brophy: Mr. Fiske, any other issues, questions or comments?

Mr. Fiske: none at this time.

Dr. Brophy: I entertain a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Mr. Fiske: I so move.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:19 PM. The Board scheduled our next Board meeting for December 5, 2023.