



# NORTH SHORE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health

Serving the communities of Bayside, Brown Deer, Fox Point,  
Glendale, River Hills, Shorewood and Whitefish Bay, Wisconsin

February 4th, 2021

The North Shore Board of Health meeting was called to order on February 4th, 2021 at 7:01pm by Ann Christiansen.

## 1. Roll call

Present: Ann Christiansen, MPH; Gary Lewis, MD; Debesh Mazumdar, MD; Kristine Peterka, DNP, BSN, RN; Christopher Simenz, PhD, Ellen Frieber Schupper, MBA.

Absent: Rosalyn McFarland, DNP, RN, APNP, FNP-BC

## 2. Persons desiring to be heard

There were no persons desiring to be heard.

## 3. Approval of October 15th, 2020 Minutes

Kris Peterka made a motion to approve the minutes from October 15h, 2020. The motion was seconded by Chris Simenz and approved by full Board.

## 4. Health Department Administrative Items

- **2021 North Shore Health Department Board of Health Chair – Rotating Chair moves to Brown Deer representative**

Ms. Christiansen thanked Ms. Frieber Schupper for serving as Board of Health Chair in 2020. Ms. Christiansen noted the new Chair for 2021 will be Dr. McFarland.

- **NSHD Board of Health Representative Updates**

Ms. Christiansen updated the Board on two membership changes for 2021. Dr. Bruce Weiss, representative of Fox Point and Dr. Claudia Altman, representative of River Hills will no longer be serving on the Board. They both have moved out of the North Shore. Board members thanked them for their service. New members will be recruited by those municipalities and the top elected official will appoint the new members. If any current members are aware of individuals from Fox Point and River Hills who may be interested, please share them with Ms. Christiansen. She will forward their names to village managers.

## 5. North Shore COVID-19 Update

a. Situational Awareness: Ms. Christiansen presented an update on the North Shore Health Department's COVID- 19 response. She provided slides showing declining case numbers since mid-January. She noted that most communities were still considered at a High burden level. Only Brown Deer was in the Critical level. Ms. Christiansen noted that the number of tests per week have been declining over the past month as well. In reviewing the Test Percent Positive for the municipalities, the percent ranged by a high of 12% for Brown Deer to a low of 4.5% for Shorewood. Again, this represents a

decrease from the previous month where most municipalities were experiencing Test Percent Positive above 10% for most communities.

b. Vaccine Planning:

Ms. Christiansen reported that the North Shore Health Department starting their COVID-19 vaccine clinics on January 12<sup>th</sup>. The department is holding clinics for first doses on Tuesdays and Thursdays and clinics for second doses on Wednesdays and Fridays. The department has set up their vaccine clinic in the Brown Deer Village Hall Board Room to allow for physical distancing. As vaccine becomes more available, staff will also vaccinate out of the Shorewood office.

c. Mitigation Strategies:

Ms. Christiansen updated the Board on the department's continued efforts to support schools with their reopening plans. Many schools are assessing their case numbers and considering moving forward with more in-person learning. Ms. Christiansen also shared that several municipalities were interested in adopting or extending their local mask ordinances. They were considering this in light of potential legal challenges to the State Mask Order.

c. Other Items: The Board offered no additional items to discuss.

**6. Next meeting, March 18th, 2021** – The meeting will continue to be virtual to allow for physical distancing.

**7. Adjournment:**

**There was a motion to adjourn by Debesh Mazumdar and seconded by Kris Peterka at 8:03pm and approved by the full Board.**

Dated: March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2021 ALC