



# NORTH SHORE HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Board of Health

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

## May 20, 2021

The North Shore Board of Health meeting was called to order on May 20th, 2021 at 7:05pm by Kevin Rorabeck

### 1. Roll call

Present: Kevin Rorabeck RN, Interim Health officer, Kathy Platt RN Public Health Nursing Supervisor, Debesh Mazumdar, MD; Kristine Peterka, DNP, BSN, RN; Christopher Simenz, PhD

Absent: Rosalyn McFarland, DNP, RN, APNP, FNP-BC, Ellen Friebert Schupper, MBA, Gary Lewis, MD

### 2. Persons desiring to be heard

There were no persons desiring to be heard.

### 3. Approval of March 28th, 2021 Minutes

**It was determined that a quorum was not present, therefore the minutes could not be approved. Positions on the board for River Hills and Fox Point remain open.**

### 4. Health Department Administrative Items

- **Health Director/Officer Transition**

Kevin updated the members present on continued recruitment/ hiring process for the position of Health Officer. Anticipate first round of interviews in near future.

### 5. North Shore COVID-19 Update

a. Situational Awareness: Kevin presented current trends and statistics, noting that the number of new cases has been decreasing. With changes in vaccination acceptance and circulation of new COVID variants, it is too soon to tell if this trend will continue.

b. Vaccine Planning: Kevin reported that the North Shore Health Department has reduced frequency of COVID vaccine clinics as well as number of vaccines scheduled at each clinic. As other providers have become more available to provide vaccines, we have had difficulty filling all of our appointments. We have ordered fewer vaccine doses to avoid needing to waste vaccine and at this point are primarily following up on second dose clinics for those people who received a first dose from us. We offer a first

dose remaining in “second dose” vials and have partners who are able to then provide the second dose. The coordination and scheduling of vaccine clinics and staff training and assignments for these clinics has been a daunting job.

c. Mitigation Strategies: Kevin noted that we continue to provide guidance to schools and businesses, as well as complete disease investigation and contact tracing for new cases. We are also planning to resume prior programming on a gradual basis.

d. Other Items: There was discussion regarding the Youth Risk Behavior Survey that is an optional assessment for schools, requesting that BOH members reach out to community schools to encourage schools to participate in this. The YRBS provides information about education and mental health needs of adolescents in our area.

**6. Next meeting, August 19th, 2021** – Meeting may be in-person, this will be determined prior to the meeting.

**7. Adjournment: Due to no quorum present, there were no motions for adjournment**

**The meeting ended at approximately 7:40 pm**

Dated 6/29/2021 KSP