



# City of Milwaukee

200 E. Wells Street  
Milwaukee, Wisconsin  
53202

## Meeting Minutes

### BOARD OF HEALTH

*Ruthie Burich-Weatherly, Caroline Gomez-Tom, Bria Grant,  
Ald. Chantia Lewis, Dr. Ian Martin, Julia Means, LaNelle  
Ramey, Ericka Sinclair, and Wujie Zhang*

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Thursday, March 4, 2021

5:30 PM

VIRTUAL MEETING

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**1. Call to Order**

**2. Roll Call**

Present: Ruthie Burich-Weatherly, Caroline Gomez-Tom, Bria Grant, Ald. Chantia Lewis, Julia Means, Ericka Sinclair, Dr. Ian Martin and Wujie Zhang

Absent: LaNelle Ramey

**3. Approval of meeting minutes from February 2021**

Dr. Martin motioned to approve, Board Member Sinclair seconded; Motion passed with none opposed.

**4. Congratulations to new MHD Health Commissioner, Kirsten Johnson.**

**a. Communication from Commissioner Johnson and Former Commissioner Jackson**

**b. Vaccine updates**

**c. Questions**

MHD has begun to operate mobile COVID-19 vaccination clinics in collaboration with partners. MHD is also prioritizing vaccinating K-12 education staff at the direction of the state and will expand to other eligible groups as vaccine supply increases.

5. **Discussion of DHS 140 certification**
  - a. **Updates, plan submission and timelines for review**
  - b. **Questions**

MHD is planning to file an extension with the state to fully respond to any questions and concerns. Board Members Burich-Weatherly and Sinclair will participate in conversations with DHS.

6. **Mental Health Needs Assessment**
  - a. **Common Council file #201411 – a substitute resolution directing the Department of Administration and the Commissioner of Health, in collaboration with the Board of Health, to work with the National Research Center at Polco to draft benchmarks as well as a scope of work, outreach plan and implementation schedule for a citywide mental health needs assessment survey**

Board members will collaborate with Polco to develop and administer this effort. A few board members will participate in this initiative, while all board members will have the opportunity to provide input. Ald. Lewis and Board Member Burich-Weatherly volunteered to participate and other interested board members can reach out to the Board President.

7. **Milwaukee Health Department branch collaboration updates**
  - a. **Presentation and discussion from BOH members on branch collaborations**

Board Members are encouraged to continue to share job postings with their networks.

Vaccine Town Hall event went very well, and had high participation and lots of great questions.

8. **Future Agenda Items**

9. **Adjournment**

Board Member Gomez-Tom motioned to adjourn, Dr. Martin seconded. Motion passed with none opposed.

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