

# TOWN OF UXBRIDGE

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## Minutes of the Uxbridge Board of Health hybrid meeting held on March 15, 2023 at 6:00 PM

**Present:** Dr. David Tapscott, Chairman; Dr. Joann Lindenmayer, Vice Chair; and Dr. Cay DenHerder, Member

**Also present:** Erin Hightower, Health Director; Kaitlin Donahue, Health Inspector Missy Kakela-Boisvert, Administrative Assistant

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<https://uxbridge.zoom.us/j/84184598396>

Meeting ID: 841 8459 8396

### Meeting called to order:

The time being 6:00 PM and a quorum present, Chairman Dr. David Tapscott called the meeting to order.

**Acknowledge of letter received re: tobacco permits in Uxbridge** – The Board of Health office received a letter inquiring about a tobacco permit and asking if the number of permits would be increased. Currently the tobacco regulations allow for 14 tobacco permits and all are currently being used. Erin reached out to Joan Hamlett who is the Board's tobacco agent to look over the current tobacco regulations and see if they need to be updated.

### Inspection updates

**Food Inspections** – Kaitlin gave the Board an update on the plan review and inspections she had done with regards to the Hannaford's remodel. She has also worked with the building department on this project. One addition is a sushi kiosk. But otherwise, all food inspections are up-to-date.

**Complaints/Nuisance** – Cresco complaints continue to come in. Liz Lydon will continue to represent the Town of Uxbridge in the matter even though her firm is no longer town counsel for the Town of Uxbridge. Erin attended a meeting with Town Manager Steve Sette, Liz Lydon and the town's consultant. They reviewed a third plan submitted by Cresco's new consultant. This is the Cresco's third consultant firm they have hired. An approved plan for odor mitigation needs to be approved by April 5<sup>th</sup>. Part of the proposed plan is to stop flowering and move some of the outer plants into the inner rooms, leaving the outer rooms empty for the time being. Erin continues to communicate with the CCC (Cannabis Control Commission) and DEP (Department of Environmental Protection). Dr. Tapscott asked if the orange scent was going to be used. Erin said yes. Dr. Lindenmayer asked if this plan is implemented and at the end of the summer we still get complaints, what happens? Erin said it's still a nuisance and will continue to work at it.

**Marchand Environmental** – This is more of an update than a complaint but there continues to be ongoing issues. They continue to operate in the Town of Uxbridge without a permit. Uxbridge Police Department recently contacted Erin regarding another dealing they have had with them. They were operating an unregistered vehicle in town and that truck was actually impounded.

### COVID and other infectious disease updates -

**Cases** – There were 41 confirmed covid cases for the month of February. This does not include home testing. Currently, there are no known clusters either. After the state of emergency is over, covid test kits may not be free. The BoH office still has plenty for those who want to stop by town hall and get some.

### **Shared Service Grant Update (BVPPH)**

**Regional public Health Nurse** - Deb Vescera is working on a hording taskforce. There will be a meeting soon with different departments. Uxbridge will be a pilot project for the BVPPH. Dr. Lindenmayer asked if there will be an animal component, Erin said Deb does include animals. Dr. Lindenmayer asked if Animal Control Officer Kevin Sullivan is included. Erin said that he has been asked.

**Regional Health Inspector/Community Health Educator** – Danielle Edmonds and Daniel Markman our regional inspectors continue to help with food inspections. Dan will be teaching a food managers course in April at the Northbridge Senior Center. Kaitlin did reach out to food establishment.

### **Monthly Reports**

Board of Health members and staff gave reports on what they have been dealing with for the month.

### **Minutes Approval:**

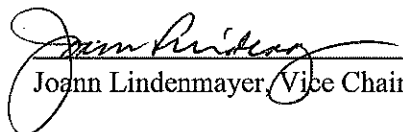
*Dr. DenHerder moved to accept the meeting minutes of January 18, 2023. Dr. Lindenmayer seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. Tapscott – aye, Dr. Lindenmayer - aye Dr. DenHerder - aye*

*Dr. Lindenmayer moved to accept the meeting minutes of February 15, 2023. Dr. DenHerder seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. Tapscott – aye, Dr. Lindenmayer - aye Dr. DenHerder - aye*

### **Motion to adjourn:**

*Dr. Lindenmayer moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:01 pm. Dr. DenHerder seconded and the motion was passed unanimously with a vote of 3-0-0. Dr. Tapscott – aye, Dr. Lindenmayer – aye, Dr. DenHerder - aye*

  
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David Tapscott, Chairman

  
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Joann Lindenmayer, Vice Chairman

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