

**TOWN OF MILLIS
BOARD OF HEALTH
Minutes of Meeting
February 14th 2022 – Approved**

A meeting of the Board of Health was held on February 14th 2022 via Zoom online meeting <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89092994062> Present were:

- * John McVeigh, Public Health Director
- * JaiKaur LeBlanc, Chair
- * Donna Scotland, Board Member
- * Matt Fuller, PHD Board Member
- * Kathy Lannon, MS, RN
- * Sarah Ward, RN
- * Marc Conroy, School Committee Member
- * Robyn Briggs, School Committee Member
- * Lynn Molinari School Nurse
- * Kathy Gasbarro, Woodside Montessori School

Chair LeBlanc moved and Member Fuller seconded and it was unanimously voted to open the Millis Board of Health meeting of February 14th 2022 at 6:30 PM

6:30 PM Discussion School Mask Recommendation:

Director McVeigh along with the Public Health Nurse Sarah Ward updated the Board on the School Committee requesting the Board weigh in on the rescinding of the mask mandate on February 28th 2022 and how this would specifically apply to Millis Schools. There was a conversation around vaccination percentages both at the High-Middle School vs the Elementary and Pre-K. The High School and Middle School have greater than 80% vaccination rate while the Elementary is 63% with Pre-K having presently no vaccine available and thus a vulnerable population by definition.

The concept of herd immunity was discussed with the 80% + threshold seeming to be the minimum standard for this to be considered.

Masking at all schools should be encouraged for those who are unvaccinated, have medical issues or have vulnerable household members.

Matt Fuller indicated that more data perhaps 2 months' worth is needed and then the Board could reassess the situation.

A letter will be drafted to send to the School Committee by February 15th 2022 indicating the aforementioned points and the Board's ultimate recommendation for continued masking at Clyde Brown Elementary.

On a motion made by Chair LeBlanc, seconded by Member Fuller it was unanimously approved to close the Board of Health meeting of February 14th 2022 at 8:30 PM.

