

Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Meeting
January 27, 2020
Minutes

Present: Carl Alexander, Jim Bertrando, Marilyn Burns, Anne Cobbin, Rocco DiGennaro, Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler, Bill Gambrel, Chief Bob Gavalier, Anna Howells, Anne Lally, Ruth Mastriana, William Morvay, Sue Paluga, Patricia Sciaretta Eric Ungaro, and Atty. Thomas Vasvari

Absent: Bishop C.M. Jenkins, and Linda Warino

Staff: Duane Piccirilli, Brenda Heidinger, Mark Dunlap, and Jessica Makosky

Guests: Commissioner Carol Rimedio-Righetti, Mark D'Apolito, (Mahoning County Prosecutors office), Sharon Hackett (Mahoning County Prosecutors office), Darla Gallagher (Meridian HealthCare), Joseph Caruso (Compass Family and Community Services), Darryl Alexander (YUMADAOP), Vince Brancaccio (Help Network of NEO), Joe Shorokey (Alta) and Jeff Magada (Flying HIGH, Inc.)

Anne Lally, Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:59 p.m.

23 – 2020: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to approve the minutes of the November 25, 2019, MCMHRB meeting. Seconded by: Tom Vasvari...motion carried.

24-2020: Motion: Scott Fowler – to enter Executive Session at 5:03 p.m. to discuss the purchase of property. Seconded: Ruth Mastriana...Roll Call Vote

Yes Carl Alexander
Yes Jim Bertrando
Yes Marilyn Burns
Yes Anne Cobbin
Yes Rocco DiGennaro
Yes Atty. Wm. Scott Fowler
Yes Bill Gambrel
Yes Chief Bob Gavalier
Yes Anna Howells
Yes Anne Lally
Yes Ruth Mastriana
Yes Bill Morvay
Yes Sue Paluga
Yes Patricia Sciaretta
Yes Eric Ungaro
Yes Tom Vasvari

Return to open session at 5:20 p.m.

Board members discussed with Mahoning County Commissioner Carol Rimedio-Righetti, Attorneys Hackett and D'Apolito the MOU and resolution for the YDC property. Commissioner Rimedio-Righetti assured the MCMHRB members that the commissioners will hold the MHRB harmless throughout the purchase and transfer of the property. They will cover all utility and maintenance costs during that time.

25-2020: Motion: Bill Morvay – to approve the MOU between the MCMHRB and the Mahoning County Commissioners. Seconded: Eric Ungaro...motion carried

26-2020: Motion: Anna Howells – to approve the Resolution regarding the purchase of the YDC property from the State of Ohio. Seconded: Ruth Mastriana...motion carried.

27-2020: Motion: Eric Ungaro – To authorize Duane Piccirilli to sign purchase order with the State of Ohio for purchase of YDC property on behalf of the MCMHRB. Seconded: Sue Paluga...motion carried.

Officer Reports

A. Chair Report

- None

B. Treasurer Report

- Robert Gavalier, Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer's report for November 2019 and December 2019 Mahoning County MHR Board and noted a balance in the amounts of \$7,742,740.00 and \$7,457,268.78 respectively. *Balance of General Ledger only reflects the cash balance and does not represent contractual appropriations through the end of SFY20.

28 – 2020: Motion: Scott Fowler – to approve the November and December 2019 Treasurer's Reports. Seconded by: Marilyn Burns...motion carried.

- Approve blanket list of bills for November 2019

29 – 2020: Motion: Eric Ungaro – to approve the blanket list of bills for November 2019. Seconded by: Anne Cobbin...motion carried.

- Approve blanket list of bills for December 2019

30 – 2020: Motion: Marilyn Burns – to approve the blanket list of bills for December 2019. Seconded by: Patricia Sciarretta...motion carried.

Committee Reports

Community Relations and Marketing (January 13, 2020)

- Scott Fowler reviewed the information from the meeting:
 - The Canfield Fair booth for the MCMHRB needs refreshed. The Committee will request Anna Howells look at the booth for some design ideas. The budget for any work will be included in the SFY2021 budget that comes to the Board in July 2020.
 - The committee discussed continuing the Preferred Network of Care Commercials for the 2nd half of March (delayed because of primary election), April, May and June.

31 – 2020: Motion: Scott Fowler – to continue the Preferred Network of Care commercials on WFMJ at \$3,500 per month for the 2nd half of March, April, May and June. Seconded by: Tom Vasvari...motion carried.

32 – 2020: Motion: Scott Fowler – to contract with WFMJ to air and advertise on social media the reconfigured suicide prevention commercial in the amount of \$6,000. Seconded by: Tom Vasvari...motion carried.

Executive Director Report

- See attached report

Old Business

- Criteria for Preferred Care Network

Preferred Network of Care

Criteria for Preferred Care Network

- 1) Agency agrees to all sections of the Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board Provider contact's that is relevant to their services
- 2) Received Funding (other than pass through funds/reimbursement from a 3rd party) from the Mahoning County Mental Health and Recovery Board for five (5) years
- 3) Service provided must be consistent with the Boards community plan
- 4) Preferred Care Network membership is contingent on available funding
- 5) The Board agrees to the need of the new program/agency requested service
- 6) The Board reserves the right to remove a member based on finding from a financial or program audit

33 – 2020: Motion: Scott Fowler – to approve the corrected Preferred Care Network Criteria as presented. Seconded by: Ruth Mastriana...motion carried

New Business

- New allocations/grants and contract increases (see attached)

34 – 2020: Motion: Anna Howells – to accept the new allocations/grants and contract increases as presented. Seconded by: Pat Sciaretta...motion carried

- Duane reviewed changes to policy regarding Ohio Public Records Request (see attached)

35 – 2020: Motion: Ruth Mastriana – to accept the changes to the policy regarding Ohio Public Records Request. Seconded by: Anna Howells...motion carried

- Board discussed MCMHRB Staff attending zoning meetings with providers. Attending or not will remain at the discretion of the Executive Director.

Board Remarks

- None

Provider Remarks

- Jeff Magada, Flying High Inc. announced is Medicaid audit was compliant and he was recertified as a Medicaid provider.
- Vince Brancaccio, Help Network of NEO stated that with the Preferred Network of Care ads and Suicide Prevention ads they saw a spike of calls to the hotline, inquiries to the database also increased. Call have increased in time spent on the calls. PATH has been engaging homeless and connecting them to services

and reached their year-end goals already in January. Fund raser is 2/13/20 an evening with Sinatra.

- Joe Shorokey stated that Alta received a \$310,000 Early Childhood Mental Health Grant from OhioMHAS. They are hosting a job fair in Boardman in an effort to fill 26 vacancies in their behavioral health and head start programs.
- Darryl, YUMADAOP received a \$50,000 grant from SAMHSA STOP Act carry over funding. They also received a \$10,000 grant from the Care Source Foundation.
- Joe Caruso, Compass Thanked the Board for their action on YDC property and stated he is excited about the opportunity for Compass on that campus. They had a CARF site visit 2 weeks ago. On 4/24/20 is the American Made Country Songwriter fundraising event for Compass Family and Community Services, watch for opportunities to purchase tickets. He and Vince are scheduled to visit the NORD Center in Lorain to look at the CSU and Mobile Crisis services that are offered there. Compass has submitted a waiver to allow clients coming in the CSU as a Class 1 facility to receive a health assessment within 72 hours of admission rather than having to have and Emergency Department visit for health assessment before admission to the CSU.
- Darla, Meridian HealthCare, announced the Winter Sprinter at Mill Creek Park, this is a fun run, fund raiser event for Meridian. She announced Meridian has purchased Cafaro Chiropractic Services in Mineral Ridge and are providing chiropractic care for their clients requiring pain management. She thanked the board for the Regional Detox funds, and stated the funds have been helpful. Meridian can now provide detoxification services for clients currently on MAT therapy. They are still watching the status of the states IMD waiver request, to determine if expansion plans are possible.

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Minutes reported by:

Ruth Mastriana
Secretary

Minutes recorded by:

Brenda Heidinger, OCPS
Associate Director