

**LYONS TOWNSHIP MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION
REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 17, 2021**

The Regular Board Meeting (**ZOOM VIDEO/TELECONFERENCE MEETING**) was held on Monday, May 17, 2021 from the Lyons Township Mental Health Commissions' Boardroom, 6404 Joliet Road, Suite 204, Countryside, Illinois, 60525. Meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m.

President Alan Dorobiala asked for the Roll Call.

Commissioners Present: Al Dorobiala, Bill Seith, Tony Przeklasa, Steve Palmer, and Nick Kantas,

Commissioners on Zoom: Mike Porfirio

Staff Present: Ron Melka, Executive Director; and Jazmin Lopez, Administrative Assistant.

Agency Directors on Zoom: Bill Dwyer, Helping Hand Center; Diane Farina White, Community Support Services; Angela Curran, Pillars Community Health; and Alan Morales, The LeaderShop.

Guest(s) Present: Marquitta Trotter, Del Galdo Law Group, LLC.

AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

A **MOTION** was made by Palmer and seconded by Seith to approve the Agenda. Roll Call: Steve Palmer, Bill Seith, Al Dorobiala, Nick Kantas, Mike Porfirio, and Tony Przeklasa. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the Agenda was approved.

REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The Minutes of the Board Meeting held on April 19, 2021 were reviewed.

A **MOTION** was made by Palmer and seconded by Seith to approve the Minutes of April 19, 2021 as presented. Roll Call: Steve Palmer, Bill Seith, Al Dorobiala, Nick Kantas, Mike Porfirio, and Tony Przeklasa. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the Minutes were approved.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES PRESENTATION:

Diane Farina White, President and CEO of Community Support Services and Alaina Washington, Director of Home and Community-Based Services gave a wonderful presentation on their efforts and impact at Community Support Services. A moving testimony by the parent of a client was the highlight of the presentation. As always, the Commissioners are thankful for Community Support Services presentation.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT:

A written report was provided to the Commissioners in their meeting packets.

AGENCY REPORTS:

Angela Curran, President and CEO of Pillars Community Health reported that Pillars Community Health is they have activities planned for Mental Health Month. They are partnering up with other agencies to host a Mental Health First Aid Training on May 26. On May 29, they are hosting TRU The Mental Health Musical Theatre along with NAMI, RiverEdge and Cicero Family Services. There will be a 1-hour panel presentation and you can register on their website to attend this. They are also promoting a mental health self-assessment tool on their website throughout the month.

Alan Morales, Executive Director of The LeaderShop reported that Party4Youth was successful. The numbers have not been finalized, but it looks like they either reached their goal or got very close to it. Their Director of Development has submitted her letter of resignation, and they are still searching for a Program Manager.

Bill Dwyer, Chief Executive Officer of Helping Hand Center reported that they are finishing the year in a good financial position. Their Payment Protection Program (PPP) Loan was approved. Their Gala is in June and they are preparing interactive games for that night.

FINANCE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

A MOTION was made by Palmer and seconded by Seith to approve the FY2022 Budget, including Program and Grant Awards. Roll Call: Steve Palmer, Bill Seith, Al Dorobiala, Nick Kantas, Mike Porfirio, and Tony Przeklasa. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the FY2022 Budget was approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

A MOTION was made by Przeklasa and seconded by Seith to approve a Levy Increase Request and submit to the Township. Roll Call: Tony Przeklasa, Bill Seith, Al Dorobiala, Nick Kantas, Mike Porfirio, and Steve Palmer. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the Levy Increase Request was approved.

TREASURER’S REPORTS:

In the absence of Treasurer Sophia Mallis, Ron Melka presented the Treasurer Report for May 17, 2021 as follows:

Beginning Balance as of March 31, 2021:	\$2,525,880.39
Receipts during April 2021:	\$ 257,445.86
Disbursements during April 2021:	\$ 348,502.28
Ending Balance as of April 30, 2021:	\$2,434,823.97

A MOTION was made by Palmer, seconded by Seith to approve the Treasurer Report dated April 19, 2021 as presented. Roll Call: Steve Palmer, Bill Seith, Al Dorobiala, Nick Kantas, Mike Porfirio, and Tony Przeklasa. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY PAYABLES:

In the absence of Treasurer Sophia Mallis, Ron Melka presented the list of Twenty-Four (24) Payables totaling \$325,998.01 dated May 17, 2021.

A **MOTION** was made by Porfirio and seconded by Seith to approve the Monthly Payable dated May 17, 2021 as presented. Roll Call: Mike Porfirio, Bill Seith, Al Dorobiala, Nick Kantas, Steve Palmer, and Tony Przeklasa. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion to accept the May 17, 2021 Monthly Payable as presented.

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC: NONE

ADJOURNMENT:

A **MOTION** to adjourn the meeting was made by Palmer and seconded by Seith at 8:03 p.m. All in favor. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Meeting was adjourned.

Al Dorobiala, President

Sophia G. Mallis, Secretary/Treasurer