

**Livingston County Mental Health Board**  
**708 Board Meeting Minutes**  
**November 21, 2024 at 4:00 PM**

**708 Board Present:** Jack Vietti, Pam Stone, Clark Reamer, Debbie Studnicki, Barb Schlatter, Gary Beier, Ed Legner

**708 Board Absent:**

**377 Board Present:** Bob McCarty, Vicki Day, Chris Johnson

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**Livingston County Board Members:** Jack Vietti

**Staff Present:** Taylor Hartman, Tanya Melvin, Meg Gillette

**Guests:** Patty Haberkorn, Futures Unlimited; Susan Bursztynsky, Safe Journeys, Maryssa McCoy, AIR; Joe Vaughan, IHR; Sheriff Ryan Bohm

The 708 Board meeting was called to order by President Jack Vietti.

**Agenda:**

- It was moved by Barb Schlatter, seconded by Debbie Studnicki to approve the October 2024 Minutes. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Pam Stone, seconded by Ed Legner to approve the October 2024 Check Listing. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Barb Schlatter, seconded by Clark Reamer to approve the October 2024 Financial Statement. Motion carried.

**Executive Director Report:**

- Taylor announced that she will be attending the ACHMAI Membership meeting on December 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup>. They asked if she would be one of the Speakers during the business meeting so she will be presenting on the County.
- Taylor thanked Vicki for reaching out to do a Premise Alert power point so she is getting that ready. So, either she can go out and present it or if anyone would like it to present it themselves.
- Also, she Thanked Clark for helping write the AED Policy. So, if anyone reaches out we have a set guide line on what's allowed.
- Health News. Illinois is set to receive 1.3 Billion from Opioid Settlements in the next 14 years. It is estimated that 772.6 Million will go to fund substance use disorder programs.
- The CD's are being rolled over monthly at 4.7%
- She has been nicely stalking the agencies to get all the fiscal year things together and it is all coming together.

## **Agency Comments:**

### **Futures:**

- Patty announced that they hired a new HR Manager. He is in the process of becoming acclimated with the agency needs.
- Still working on the kitchen, thought it would be done this month but not likely. Waiting for the cabinets to get delivered. Hopefully it will be done by the New Year.
- The BHC is clicking along, there has been a lot more clients. They did land on an electronic health record platform and have concluded that there is not one platform that will cover everything they would need to use it for. The BHC will have one and the rest of the organization will have a different one.
- Finally got the approval on the Rule 116 Nursing Survey.

### **Safe Journeys:**

- Susan reported that they have one position open which is a case manager it was a part time position and now it is full time. There will be more opening for other positions down the road as they get more grants going.
- The Shelter is continuing to be good. There are 16 beds and they have 17 people right now.
- With the increase of sexual assault funding they put money into helping with emergency basic needs for sexual assault clients. The funding will help w/emergency needs during the healing process, housing/rental assistance, employment services such as job searching and uniforms, education services, and anything physical or MH related not covered by insurance. It will be up to \$3,500 per client. They have about \$30,000 for that and will move more money over and do less advertising if that is what the need is.

### **IHR:**

- Joe reported that the nurse practitioner Bre is back from maternity leave after 12 weeks, she had a little boy. Glad to have her back. They are looking for a part time substance use counselor to help fill in with the substance use department.
- The Snowflurry event was held in Fairbury for 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders. They had just under 50 kids, which was a huge improvement usually there is only about 25. The goal was 50 and they were just shy of that so very happy with that. Hopefully when Snowflake comes along this spring they can get the kids back into these programs.
- The Annual Report is in the packet. It has some data with some of the programs.
- The demand is still high and they have a plan to kind of deal with some of the people that are waiting to get in to see an individual counselor so they are going to rethink on how they do some things and provide some services in the meantime so they don't have to wait so long to get something.

**Sheriff Bohm:**

- Sheriff reported they received the grant for the opioid settlement and utilized that to send out some drug take back flyers. They saw a really great uptick in utilization in the P2D2 Program because of that flyer, immediately after they had to empty the box out in the lobby 2-3 times within a few days so it is working. The reason they went that route was the target audience for that was the older people that don't use social media, they get their mail every day and read it, so that was a great way to contact that demographic. Hoping to send out another flyer in the spring. The reason they are partially the target audience is they have more meds than everyone else and we want to clean up as much of that as they can.

**Old Business:****New Business:**

- **Leftover Funding**
  - **IHR – Requesting \$10,400 for ongoing stress management groups to alleviate their MH waitlist.** It was moved by Debbie Studnicki, seconded by Pam Stone to approve using the interest earned from rolling over CD's. Motion carried.

**Executive Session:**

- It was moved by Barb Schlatter and seconded by Ed Legner to go into executive session for personnel. Motion carried.
- It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Ed Legner to leave executive session. Motion carried.

**Adjourn**

It was moved by Debbie Studnicki and seconded by Ed Legner to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Pam Stone, Secretary