

WASHTENAW COUNTY COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH AGENCY (WCCMH) MILLAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

4135 Washtenaw Ave, Ann Arbor, MI
Learning Resource Center, Michigan Conference Room
January 13, 2019 4:00pm

MEMBERS PRESENT: N. Graebner, C. Collins, G. Waddles, B. King, F. Brabec (phone),
D. Jackson, A. Dusbiber, R. Rion, H. Heaviland

MEMBERS ABSENT: A. Carlisle, K. Scott, J. Martin

STAFF PRESENT: T. Cortes, N. Phelps, R. Clark, K. Hoener, M. Taylor, H. Linky, M. Harding,
T. Florence, M. Tasker

OTHERS PRESENT: M. Creekmore, E. Spanier

N. Graebner called the meeting to order at 4:00 pm.

- I. Introductions
 - D. Jackson introduced his two interns, J. Ali and K. Eis
- II. Audience Participation
 - None
- III. Millage Advisory Committee Minutes and Actions from 12/9/19
 - The Millage Advisory Committee Minutes and Actions from 12/9/19 were reviewed.
 - Request to add B. King on the minutes as absent.

MOTION BY A. DUSBIBER, SUPPORTED BY B. KING TO APPROVE THE MILLAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES AND ACTIONS FROM DECEMBER 9, 2019 WITH THE CHANGE TO ADD B. KING LISTED AS ABSENT.

MOTION CARRIED

- IV. Discussion Items
 - Millage Process, Investments and Progress Update
 - L. Gentz presented the millage process, investments and progress update to the committee.
 - D. Jackson stated that the WCSO applied for a housing grant for persons that are coming out of jail. The grant was approved and the WCSO has accepted the funding.
 - This grant was written to assist approximately 150 individuals within the e48197 and 48198 areas.
 - G. Waddles inquired to see if the funding will assist with the constraints regarding private landlords versus residential housing.
 - CARES Program Update
 - M. Tasker and M. Harding presented the CARES Program Update and Dashboard to the committee.
 - To date there have been 565 referrals, with about 50 referrals per month.
 - Of the 565 referrals, 397 were opened to CARES.

- Most of the referrals are in private residences, with most of the population being female.
 - Mostly case management services have been rendered. With most of the cases served in the 25-29 age range.
 - The majority of these cases have no insurance.
 - Most of the cases are in Ypsilanti and Ann Arbor with a slight increase in Whitmore Lake.
 - M. Tasker stated that they will revise the CARES data dashboard to include individuals that identify with a different gender. She also stated that she will look at updating the data to include the zip code location of where the individuals are coming from.
 - A. Dusbiber was inquiring to see if there is information regarding the length of stay in the CARES program. M. Tasker stated that she is working to include this information in the dashboard.
 - N. Graebner requested information to include when satellite locations are opened.
- The new 750 Towner location should be open within the next few weeks.

V. Old Business

- Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) Millage Update
 - D. Jackson presented the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office Millage update to the committee.
 - The Sisters United Resilient Empowered (SURE) program is in place and the millage funds have helped to expand this program. This program works with mothers that are in the program to help give support to the families that have young people that are in the court system. It's a good way to have the officers and the families to work together to be supportive to each other as well as the young people in the court system.

VI. New Business

- Financial Budget Update
 - N. Phelps presented the Financial Budget update to the committee.
 - This report is for January 1, 2019 through November 30, 2019.
 - The 750 Towner renovation is a line item that she wanted to bring attention to.

VII. Items for Future Discussion

- Request for Millage Funds Update
 - L. Gentz stated that there was a recent meeting with United Way and Ann Arbor Community Foundation and they both recommended to have small awards over multiple years as opposed to the multiple grants without the administrative backing regarding pushing out funds.
 - Ann Arbor Community Foundation also stated that they would recommend having discussions regarding what type of outcomes are being looked at regarding dispersing funds versus project funding.
 - T. Cortes suggested considering multiple proposals or one big structural investment.
 - United Way and Ann Arbor Community Foundation stated that they would assist in providing information to help avoid duplicating efforts.
 - N. Graebner also suggested that the committee continue to over-communicate information to show accountability to the community.
 - C. Collins mentioned that the committee should include an RFP that requires community networking so that more zip codes are covered.
 - Suggestion to put the "Getting ready" for year 2 on the agenda in the next few months.

- L. Gentz also stated that instead of doing a typical reporting for award recipients, to encourage a presentation to hear from them to see what they did with the funding they received. .
- T. Cortes recommended to investigate deeper information through a Constant Contact newsletter.
- N. Graebner suggested presenting a Millage update at a Board of Commissioners meeting to show how the Millage dollars are spent in the first year.
- Year End Report
 - B. King suggested to make sure that we ensure that we over communicate to the community so that they are aware about the requirements to receive the funding
 - R. Rion added that we need to make sure that we are focused in what we do.
- A summary of the proposal from the Washtenaw Health Initiative (WHI) should be brought to the next meeting for further discussion.

MOTION BY B. KING TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 4:55pm.

VIII. Meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM