

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

This meeting was held by video conference due to the recent State of Michigan legislature allowing public boards and commissions to meet virtually.

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February 8, 2021

4:00pm

N. Graebner started the meeting at 4:01 pm.

ROLL CALL:

- A. Dusbiber attending remotely from Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI
- N. Graebner attending remotely from Chelsea, Washtenaw County, MI
- H. Heaviland attending remotely from Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI
- D. Jackson attending remotely from Ypsilanti Township, Washtenaw County, MI
- B. King attending remotely from Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI
- J. Martin attending remotely from Scio Township, Washtenaw County, MI
- R. Rion attending remotely from Ann Arbor, Washtenaw County, MI
- G. Waddles attending remotely from Ypsilanti, Washtenaw County, MI
- K. Walker attending remotely from Pittsfield Township, Washtenaw County, MI

MEMBERS ABSENT: A. Carlisle, K. Scott

STAFF PRESENT: N. Phelps, M. Harding, R. Dornbos, T. Cortes, L. Gentz, S. Lefferts, S. Amos O'Neal, T. Florence

OTHERS PRESENT: S. Hierman, L. Lutomski, Ninja Ang, M. Creekmore. R. Jefferson, G. Nelson, B. Higman

- I. Introductions
 - S. Hierman will be presenting the WIDS Trauma Proposal Discussion later in the meeting.
- II. Audience Participation
 - None
- III. Committee Response to Audience Participation
 - None
- IV. Millage Advisory Committee Minutes and Actions from 1/11/21
 - Millage Advisory Committee Minutes and Actions of 1/11/21 were reviewed.

MOTION BY B. KING, SUPPORTED BY D. JACKSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AND ACTIONS FROM THE JANUARY 11, 2021 MILLAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING AS PRESENTED.

ROLL CALL VOTE:

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| CARLISLE | N/A | DUSBIBER | Not present at time of vote |
| GRAEBNER | Y | HEAVILAND | Y |

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| JACKSON | Y | KING | Y |
| MARTIN | Y | RION | Not present at time of vote |
| SCOTT | N/A | WADDLES | Y |
| WALKER | Y | | |

MOTION CARRIED

V. Discussion Items

- Millage Process, Investments and Process Update
 - L. Gentz reviewed the Millage Process, Investments and Progress Update document with the committee.
 - Housing RFP
 - a. All projects are underway, and the 6-month report is delayed until March 2021 due to the pandemic.
 - WISD Mini Grants/31N
 - a. 20 school projects have been funded from the Millage with a total of \$61,804 being awarded.
 - b. Schools that applied are Ann Arbor Public, Lincoln, Dexter, Milan, Saline, Chelsea, Whitmore Lake and YCS.
 - Mental Health First Aid Education Initiatives
 - a. Staff are meeting with a group of trainers to establish needs and determine training dates for a proposed rollout of March 2021.
 - b. Working with WISD to coordinate youth and adult rollout.
 - Anti-Stigma Campaign
 - a. Campaign has relaunched and additional billboards and ads coming out soon.
 - b. Campaign materials continue to be utilized by school systems.
 - Justice Initiatives
 - a. Youth Center Mental Health Professional
 - Staff are in place and program is going well.
 - b. LEAD
 - Ongoing meetings with National Support Bureau and completing outcomes for the project.
 - Grant funding has been received to assist with some of the key positions to implement the program.
 - c. Community Response to Mental Health Crisis
 - Initial discussions have occurred, and outcomes are being developed by the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) and CMH teams.
 - d. Jail MAT
 - No updates
 - Rethink Health/5 Healthy Towns
 - a. Working together with 5-Healthy Towns, Michigan Medicine and St. Joseph Hospital to start an information campaign. St. Joseph submitted a SAMHSA Grant and should be hearing back towards the end of summer 2021. The plan is to use these funds to implement training and support around mental health as well as resource connection and streamlining connections within the community.
 - NAMI
 - a. Special community education initiative with millage funding focusing on Ypsilanti and Whitmore Lake.
 - b. Staff have completed key informant interviews, 5 community conversations and continuing to connect to the faith-based community.

- c. Received grant funds to assist Rethink Health/5 Towns to coordinate faith-based leaders in the 5 towns region. The scope of this project is being determined with a meeting scheduled the 2nd week of February.
- d. Facebook Live event being planned to focus on Ypsilanti Community and in partnership with MBK.
- SUD Systems Change
 - a. Co-occurring RFP for Juvenile Court
 - i. The award was not received but are excited to collaborate with the new provider Black Family Development, Inc.
- Millage Communication Strategy
 - a. Funding Level A was approved by the Millage Advisory Committee at the February meeting.
 - b. There will be a newsletter distributed next week.

A. Dusbiber joined the meeting at 4:05pm

R. Rion joined the meeting at 4:08pm

VI. Financial Budget Update

- N. Phelps presented the Financial Budget update to the committee.
- The Millage and CCBHC Grants budget to actuals are presented through the month of December 2020, this represents 12 months of the millage fiscal year 2020.
- The millage fund balance at the close of 2019 is \$2,972,557.
- Preliminary close out of 2020 shows a fund balance contribution of \$2,202,490 for a preliminary total of \$5,175,047.
- CCBHC #1-Year 2 Grant January 2020-December 2020 YTD actuals are \$508,819 under budget.
- CCBHC #2-Year 1 Grant May 2020-December 2020 YTD actuals are \$357,593 under budget.
- N. Phelps will bring an updated document over the course of the next couple of months that will help to show a list of the commitments made thus far.

VII. Old Business

- Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office (WCSO) Millage Update
 - D. Jackson presented the WCSO Update to the committee.
 - The Behavioral Health Specialist position is a part time position that is currently housed in the Community Corrections Department. This staff works directly with clients that were originally with Circuit Court violations to check in with them during the bi-weekly/monthly drug testing, to help navigate the systems, connect them to resources or just to check in with them.
 - This was originally a part-time position but with the Vital Strategies Grant this could turn into a full-time position and help to expand these services into the District Court also.

VIII. New Business

- CCBHC Update
 - M. Harding and T. Cortes presented the CCBHC Update to the committee.
 - A concept paper was received recently and the CMH Leadership Team is looking at this paper to better understand the next steps.
- Youth Assessment Center Update
 - L. Gentz and T. Cortes presented the Youth Assessment Center update to the committee.
 - Suggestion to pause on this project for now to re-assess the Juvenile Justice system needs and community needs since major system leadership changes. Millage Advisory Committee should continue to explore youth service needs in the community.

- WISD Trauma Proposal Discussion
 - L. Gentz and S. Hierman presented the WISD Trauma Proposal to the committee. There is no action being requested for this at this time this is for draft purposes currently.
 - There is a significant need within the community for mental health and assessment within our schools with the youth in the community.
 - Anticipating a significant need within the schools due to the recent pandemic with youth and families in the community.
 - Working with Ypsilanti on the train the trainer model for the trauma informed resilience training.
 - The district Superintendents had requested a training to help to address trauma that young people are experiencing.
 - Draft proposal includes investigating the Starr Commonwealth strategy training for all staff within 9 districts (this does not include charter school districts/private schools) to train them in the 1st 2 modules. Module 1 is free with module 2 having some expense associated with it.
 - A concern was made that with the varying salaries within the districts that the amount of funding that is being allocated could be different than what teachers/administrators might be earning and could come across as offensive.
 - Request for further information to clarify what the outcomes are within the school communities after completing the training with Starr Commonwealth.
 - Request for the Millage Advisory Committee to develop a process to look at grants to community based agencies, prioritization of needs with grant making with non-Medicaid dollars.
 - This proposal will come back to the committee to further look at youth needs within our community within the schools, supports/services, suicide prevention in regard to the services in our community and what the focus would be.
 - This item will be added to a future meeting.

- There will be a Housing RFP update presentation for the March Millage Advisory Committee.

- The Anti-Stigma Campaign update presentation will be on the March Millage Advisory Committee agenda.

- Youth Needs Discussion
 - Due to time issues the Youth Needs Discussion was tabled until the March meeting.

IX. Items for Future Discussions

- Millage Investment Plan
- Updated Millage Commitments
- Housing RFP Update presentation
- Anti-Stigma Campaign update presentation
- Youth needs discussion

MOTION BY G. WADDLES, SUPPORTED BY H. HEAVILAND TO ADJOURN THE MILLAGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING.

- X. Meeting adjourned at 5:05 pm.