

HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE MEETING

TUESDAY, JULY 6, 2021

9:00 A.M.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: Commissioners Jim Mott, Barbara Rogers, Mark Mudry, Blake Mulder, Dairus Reynnet

MEMBER ABSENT: Commissioner Tim Barnes and Jeanne Pearl-Wright

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioners Jeremy Whittum and Joseph Brehler; Colette Scrimger, Sara Lurie and John Fuentes

The July 6, 2021 regular meeting of the Health and Human Services Committee was called to order at 9:00 am by Chairperson Mott.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given by all.

There were no proposed changes to the presented agenda.

Commissioner Mulder moved to approve the minutes of the June 7, 2021 meeting, as presented. Commissioner Rogers seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

There was no limited public comment.

Colette Scrimger, Health Officer, Barry-Eaton District Health Department was present to provide the agency's semi-annual update. It was reported that with the reduction of COVID-19 cases in the county, the Department has been able to direct staff resources to non-pandemic programs and services. The Department continues to provide vaccination clinics on-site and is also conducting mobile and on-site clinics at special events, including the upcoming Eaton County Fair. It was also reported that some services may remain virtual, where proven effective, but the majority of programs are returning to on-site, including WIC.

It was reported that recruitment and staffing remain difficult as present. It was also reported that the District is in the process of recruiting a qualified physician to serve as Medical Director.

The community impacts related to the closure of the Cherry Health primary care clinic in Charlotte were discussed. The closure resulted in a gap in service for the uninsured and at-risk population. Existing clients were referred to the Cherry Health Clinic in Hastings and the Eaton Rapids Medical Center. Discussion held.

Sara Lurie, Executive Director, Clinton-Eaton-Ingham Community Mental Health Authority, was present to request the Board of Commissioners consider approval of a resolution opposing

legislative proposals that reduce the role of county government and Community Mental Health Services Programs in the mental health service delivery system and its oversight. Discussion held.

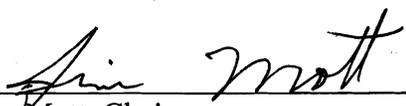
Commissioner Mulder moved to recommend approval of the Resolution to support the use of local county funds for local community mental health services, to the Board of Commissioners, as presented. Commissioner Mudry seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

It was reported that an individual had been selected to provide the contractual collaborative coordinator services funded through the grant the county received from Eaton Community Health.

It was also reported that there is a vacancy for the remainder of a term expiring December 31, 2021, for a County resident citizen appointee to the Tri-County Office on Aging Advisory Council. A public service announcement will be posted to the county website to seek interested individuals for the committee to consider at its next regular meeting.

Chairperson Mott adjourned the meeting at 9:57 a.m.

The next regularly scheduled meeting of the Health and Human Services Committee will be held on Monday, August 2, 2021 at 9:00am in the Board of Commissioners Room of the County Courthouse located at 1045 Independence Blvd., Charlotte, MI 48813.



Jim Mott, Chairperson