

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

June 19th, 2025

APPROVED

Via Hybrid

Member Fran Bialy
Attendance: Porshea Moore
Bob Williams
Tina Lounsbury
Keith Nichols, MD
Bill Standing, III
Carolyn Galatzan
Christine Schweitzer

Guests:

Mental Lori Morgan, Director of Community Services
Hygiene Susan Graves, Secretary to the Director of Community Services
Attendance: Meeting called to order at 9:35am

Category: Meeting Minutes

Topic: Review of minutes from May 2025 – Approved as written

Topic: Director Report – Lori Morgan

Discussion: Updates:

- Local Service Plan (County Plan)
 - Subgroup created and plan worked through
 - Plan discussed with Board members & approved as presented
 - Next year there will be a new 5-year plan
- Jail Funding
 - Resolution to accept additional funding specifically for the MAT program being presented
 - Funding to be sent to the Jail
 - \$8,000 annual funding per year going forward
 - Meeting with Captain Yaeger on Monday regarding over-runs in Medicaid Assisted Treatment and how to pay for it
 - 1st Quarter billing for 2025 is over \$4,000
 - Met with Trinity & Jail to determine over-run reason
 - Per Dr. Nichols – tablets & strips are more economic and safer than injectables
 - Lori will follow up with the above points at the next meeting
- Staffing
 - Lousie Henley, CSW starting in Owego 7/14/25
 - Candidate found for the Mental Health Crisis Worker position
 - Resolution in July to downgrade a Senior position to fill this vacancy

- Individual is very qualified
- Mobile Crisis
 - Additional extension was requested to roll funding into 2026
 - Two vehicles purchased with funding
 - Approximately \$500,000 in funding left for the program
 - Continued concerns over sustainability
 - Crisis worker could be used in different ways to make position sustainable
 - Will have a Mental Health Peer eventually
- Budget
 - Nothing unexpected regarding directives
 - New: vacancies over 12 months need to be justified as to why it is a need
 - Vacant CASAC position being filled by Porshea Moore in August
- Active Shooter Trainings
 - Training taking place in June & August
 - Mandatory for all county employees
- DFC, CARA. & STOP ACT Grants
 - Could be at risk for cuts
 - Wait and see the situation

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Chair Report – Fran Bialy

Discussion: Updates:

- Members asked about Dr. Bezirgianian
 - Lori updated all on Dr. Bezirgianian progress

Status: Informational - Complete

Topic: Committee Reports

Discussion: MH – ASA- OPWDD Subcommittee – Lori Morgan

- Majority of the conversation focused on the County Plan
- Great discussion
- Tioga Opportunities gave a presentation in May on Housing

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Other Business

Discussion: Updates:

- Peer Advocate – Porshea Moore
 - Passing out massive amounts of Narcan in the community
 - Got two individuals in for an assessment this week
 - Work in the community discussed

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: New Business

Discussion: EMS/TAM – Bob Williams

- TAM Team
 - Currently working on two cases
 - Training took place in May
 - Next meeting is June 23rd, 2025
 - Taking Referrals
- “Caring for the Amish” Presentation (flyer attached)
 - Lewis County Frie Coordinator Robert Mackenzie presenting
 - Wednesday, June 25th, 2025, at 6:00pm at the Public Safety Building
 - This will be a hybrid meeting
 - Training will teach EMS how to work with the Amish Community
- COAD
 - Trying to get up and running again
 - Meeting in July

Coroner Report – Bob Williams

- Toxicology for March OD Death received - Meth and prescription drugs
- Baby death in the Amish community in May – natural causes

Status: Informational – Complete

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:32am. There will not be a meeting in July. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 21st, 2025, at 9:30am.