

**Hanover Township Mental Health Board
Minutes of the Meeting
August 27, 2013**

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Linda Best at 6:31 p.m.

Roll Call: Brian Gorcowski, Linda Best, Jan Joerin, Marvin Kramer, and Kim Lemke present. A quorum was confirmed. Also present: Suzanne Powers, HTMHB Coordinator, James Barr, Township Administrator, and Carrie Estrada, Safe from the Start.

Approval of the Agenda: Motion to approve the agenda was moved by Mr. Kramer, seconded by Mr. Gorcowski. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Presentation: Carrie Estrada made a presentation to the Board about the mission and services of her agency, Safe from the Start.

Approval of the Minutes: Motion to approve the minutes of the May 28, 2013 meeting was moved by Mr. Gorcowski, seconded by Ms. Lemke. The motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Approval of Financials: Motion to approve the Financial Reports of May 2013, June 2013, and July 2013 was moved by Mr. Kramer and seconded by Mr. Gorcowski. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	Yes	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	Yes		

Coordinator's Report: The Coordinator's report was presented and reviewed.

Unfinished Business: There was no unfinished business to discuss.

New Business:

Emergency funding Grant Request

Alexian Brothers' request for Emergency funding grant was discussed. Mr. Kramer made a motion to approve a \$25,000 grant to Alexian to continue a second day of clinical services at the Senior Center to eliminate the waiting list. Ms. Lemke seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. It was noted that Alexian made the same request and received a \$25,000 grant for the same situation a year ago. The issue of the wait list was discussed. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was denied.

Brian Gorcowski	No	Linda Best	No	Jan Joerin	No
Marvin Kramer	No	Kim Lemke	No		

JOURNEYS /The Road Home's request for Emergency funding grant was discussed. Mr. Kramer made a motion to approve a \$10,540 grant to JOURNEYS to reduce budget shortfall due to increased cost of

services. Mr. Gorcowski seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. It was noted that JOURNEYS indicated \$155 per hour cost of services is above the norm and the HTMHB will request JOURNEYS to attend and discuss the next application. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	No	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	No		

Staff Development Grant Requests

Hanover Township Senior Services’ request for Staff Development was discussed. Mr. Gorcowski made a motion to approve Staff Development Grant of \$1500 for staff to be trained to recognize signs of gambling addiction as required by the Hanover Township Board. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. It was noted that clerical staff have major contact with clients and need to be able to recognize signs of a gambling addiction. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	Yes	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	Yes		

Capital Project Request

Little City Foundation’s request for Capital Project Grant was discussed. Mr. Kramer made a motion to approve the Capital Project Grant of \$24,252.34 for improvement/renovations of the Cherry Street housing facility. Ms. Joerin seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. It was noted that the State only pays for support of clients, salaries of staff and transportation of clients. There are no allocated funds for capital replacement or improvement of CILA housing. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	Yes	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	Yes		

Challenge Grant Requests

CEDA Northwest Self-Help Center’s Challenge Grant Request was discussed. Mr. Gorcowski made a motion to approve the Challenge Grant of \$20,000 for the Housing Assistance and Education Program. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was denied.

Brian Gorcowski	No	Linda Best	No	Jan Joerin	No
Marvin Kramer	No	Kim Lemke	No		

Renz Addiction and Counseling Center’s Challenge Grant Request was discussed. Mr. Gorcowski made a motion to approve the Challenge Grant of \$25,000 to fund “Too Good For Drugs” Program for 8th

graders at Eastview Middle School. Ms. Lemke seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. It was noted this is a repetition of services. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. The motion was denied.

Brian Gorcowski	No	Linda Best	No	Jan Joerin	No
Marvin Kramer	No	Kim Lemke	No		

Runzel Reserve Donation

Mr. Kramer made a motion to donate two benches to the new Runzel Reserve; cost not exceeding \$1,600. The motion was seconded by Mr. Gorcowski. Discussion ensued. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. The motion approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	Yes	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	Yes		

Appointment of Mental Health Board Attorney

Mr. Barr, Township Administrator explained the need for the appointment of a Mental Health Board Attorney. Mr. Kramer made a motion to select Kopon Airdo, LLC as the HTMHB Attorney. Motion was seconded by Ms. Lemke. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	Yes	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	Yes		

Prevailing Wage Ordinance

Ordinance #08-27-13-01 was submitted for approval. Mr. Gorcowski made a motion to accept the ordinance. Mr. Kramer seconded the motion. Discussion ensued. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	yes	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	Yes		

AACMHAI Trial Membership

Ms. Powers, MHB Coordinator explained Pros and Cons of a trial membership in ACMHAI. Mr. Gorcowski made a motion to subscribe to a one year trial membership in ACMHAI at the cost of \$500. Ms. Best seconded the motion. Ms. Best called for a roll call vote. Motion was approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	Yes	Jan Joerin	No
Marvin Kramer	No	Kim Lemke	Yes		

Executive Session: Ms. Joerin moved to go into executive session pursuant to paragraph 2(c)1 (Personnel) Illinois Open Meetings Act. Ms. Lemke seconded the motion. Ms. Best called for roll call vote. Motion was approved.

Brian Gorcowski	Yes	Linda Best	Yes	Jan Joerin	Yes
Marvin Kramer	Yes	Kim Lemke	Yes		

Board adjourned to Executive Session at 8:15 p.m.

Chair called the meeting back to order at 8:17 p.m.

Other Business: No other business

Open Comment: No one offered comments

Adjournment: There being no other business, Mr. Kramer moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Gorcowski seconded the motion. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted

Jan Joerin

Secretary