

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

October 15th, 2026

Pending Approval

Via Hybrid

Members Present: Tina Lounsbury
Pat Gillule
Porshea Moore
William Standing, III
Bob Williams
Carolyn Galatzan
Keith Nichols, MD
Kristine Maslin

Members Excused: Christine Schweitzer
Fran Bialy
Shawn Nalepa

Members Absent:

Mental Hygiene Present: Sarah Begeal, Director of Community Services
Susan Graves, Secretary to the Director of Community Services

Meeting called to order at 9:35am

Category: Meeting Minutes

Topic: Review of the September 2026 Minutes – motion to approve – Kristine Maslin
2nd Carolyn Galatzan, approved as written

Topic: Director Report – Sarah Begeal

Discussion: Updates:

- Budget
 - 2026 continues to track well except for Criminal Psych
 - Brief discussion ensued regarding the current status
- Resolutions
 - Contingency transfer request for Criminal Psych expense
 - Reclassify CSW to Sr. CSW
 - Kirsten VanSlyke being promoted allowing her to supervise
- Staff
 - Emily Parsons, former intern, started as a CSW on 10/5/26
- Subcommittee Separation
 - Smaller group discussion
 - More productive
 - LSP Goals will be highlighted on each subcommittee's agendas
 - All three meetings take place on the first Tuesday of the month

- OPWDD Subcommittee at 9:30
- MH Subcommittee at 10:30
- ASA Subcommittee at 1:00pm
- Each Subcommittee should have three CSB members in attendance
- AOT position offered
 - Individual is in the background check process
- Today is Wear Purple for Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Committee Reports – Sarah Begeal

Discussion: Highlights:

- Mental Health Subcommittee
 - LSP Goals
 - Increase Workforce
 - Increase Affordable Housing
 - Access to Transportation
 - Increase Prevention Services
 - Residential Treatment
 - Seeking one consumer of Mental Health Services and two family/relative of a consumer for membership
 - Pat Gillule is willing to serve
 - Porshea writing an article for the Pennysaver for Domestic Violence Awareness Month
- ASA Subcommittee
 - LSP Goals
 - Increase Workforce
 - Increase Affordable Housing
 - Access to Transportation
 - Increase Prevention Services
 - Residential Treatment
 - Question raised in Subcommittee regarding Family Drug Court
 - Exploring if it would be beneficial for Tioga County
 - Subcommittee has membership openings
 - Reaching out to Probation & Law Enforcement
- OPWDD Subcommittee
 - LSP Goals
 - Increase Workforce
 - Increase Affordable Housing
 - Access to Transportation
 - Crisis System
 - Residential Treatment
 - Transitional Age Services
 - Non-clinical Supports
 - Obtaining information regarding Tioga County is proving difficult
 - DDRO cannot give out county specific data
 - Brief discussion ensued

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Unfinished Business

Discussion: Updates:

- By-Laws still in process
- Additional meeting to be scheduled

Status: Informational – Complete

Other

Discussion: Camp Badger – Pat Gillule

- In June the US Department of State issued changes regarding international employment
- Any international staff member can no longer supervise anyone over the age of 20
- 70-80% of Camp Badger's workers are from other countries
- Pat does have some international workers coming back to instruct students but not supervise
- The Camp seeking more American applications
- Applications are on the website
- A lot of brainstorming taking place regarding program creation within the United States
- May extend camp two additional weeks to grow the youth program (ages 6-17)
- More information to come

EMS – Bob Williams

- TAM meeting monthly
- LAPC meeting on 11/4
 - Representative from the Department of Agriculture speaking
- COAD becoming the subcommittee of the LAPC

Coroner Report – Bob Williams

- 3-year-old kicked to death by a horse on 10/9
- Children's cases are up this year
- Suicides are slightly up from last year

Rehabilitation Support Services – Kristine Maslin

- All CR beds are full with a wait list
- Currently connecting individuals with Medicare/Medicaid Dual Plans due to the changes coming down
 - Outreaching with clients to get them set up
 - Navigator in the RSS office twice a week
 - Some insurance companies providing a "debit" card to help pay for food, utilities, etc.

Certified Recovery Peer Specialist – Porshea Moore

- OD Vigil held on 10/13
 - Very well attended
 - A lot of re-occurring families
 - NARCAN kits distributed
- Open Door Mission closed the men's unit earlier this year
 - History reviewed
 - Looking into revamping the program to include supervision

- Mission funds the program
- Dorm Coalition started with the goal of re-opening before it gets cold
- Discussion ensued

Legislator – William Standinger, III

- Resolutions presented to the Legislature passed
- Coalitions appear to be working well together

Status: Informational – Complete

Adjournment: There being no further business a motion to adjourn was made by Carolyn Galatzan, Bob Williams 2nd. The meeting adjourned at 10:33am. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 19th, 2026, at 9:30am.