LYONS TOWNSHIP Mental Health COMMISSION

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**REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES**
**September 21, 2026**

The Regular Board Meeting was held on Monday, September 21, 2026, at the Township of Lyons, 6404 Joliet Road, Countryside, Illinois, 60525. The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Hoffenberg.

President Hoffenberg asked for the Roll Call.

Commissioner(s) Present: Elyse Hoffenberg; Rev. Jeffrey Clemons; Sophia Mallis; Al Dorobiala, Barbara Minneci; and Erin Miller.

Commissioner(s) Absent: N/A

Staff Present: Mariam Ahmad, Executive Director of Operations & Partnerships, Dr. Emmie Crement, Community Support Specialist, and Julie Rule-Ong, MSW Program & Community Social Worker

Agency Director(s) Present: N/A

Guest(s) Present: Jessica Fese, Del Galdo Law Group.

Guest(s) via Telephone: N/A

**AMENDMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

A **MOTION** was made by Clemons and seconded by Mallis to approve the agenda as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the Agenda was approved.

**REVIEW/APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

The Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on June 15, were reviewed. A **MOTION** was made by Clemons and seconded by Minneci to approve the Minutes of June 15, 2026, as presented. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Hearing no Nays, the Minutes were approved.

**BOARD PRESIDENT REPORT:**

President Elyse Hoffenberg invited Community Support Specialist Emmie Clement and Community Social Worker Julie Rule-Ong to speak about LTMHC events. Emmie Clement reported on the successful summer camp and internships; Martha, the facility dog in training, the launching of the new Dolly Parton Imagination Library initiative for children 0-5; Beautiful Sounds meditation; Art Expressions; upcoming 'Pause Prom resource fair; and recent domestic violence Movers and Shakers breakfast. Julie Rule-Ong reported on appointments that residents can make with her and drop-in social work hours at libraries throughout the township. Other updates included the literacy task force LTMHC is developing, three upcoming cycles of the FAST program, upcoming Warrior Leadership Academy in October, upcoming hosting of Kid Enrichment Days during Thanksgiving and winter break, Changemaker workshop, upcoming Halloween-themed senior lunch, upcoming congregate meal in Hickory Hills, and continuing NAMI Lunch and Learn series.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**N/A**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2026-01: A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FY26 AGENCY PROGRAM GRANTS, COMPREHENSIVE BUDGET, AND OPERATIONS BUDGET FOR THE LYONS TOWNSHIP MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION, COUNTY OF COOK, STATE OF ILLINOIS.**

A **MOTION** was made by Dorobiala and seconded by Clemons to approve Resolution No. 2026-01 as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Rev. Jeffrey Clemons, Sophia Mallis, Al Dorobiala, Barbara Minneci, and Erin Miller. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORTS:**

Sophia Mallis presented the Treasurer's Report dated July 20, 2026, as follows:

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| Ending Balance as of May 31, 2026: | $3,088,744.92 |
| Receipts during June 2026: | $ 153,788.52 |
| Disbursements during June 2026: | $ 354,588.08 |
| Ending Balance as of June 30, 2026: | $2,887,945.36 |

A **MOTION** was made by Clemons and seconded by Hoffenberg to approve the Treasurer's Report dated July 20, 2026, as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Rev. Jeffrey Clemons, Sophia Mallis, Al Dorobiala, Erin Miller, and Barbara Minneci. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY PAYABLES:**

Sophia Mallis presented a list of Forty-six (46) Payables totaling $330,912.56 dated July 20, 2026.

A **MOTION** was made by Minneci and seconded by Clemons to approve the Monthly Payables dated July 20, 2026 as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Rev. Jeffrey Clemons, Sophia Mallis, Al Dorobiala, Erin Miller, and Barbara Minneci. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORTS:**

Sophia Mallis presented the Treasurer's Report dated August 17, 2026, as follows:

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| Ending Balance as of June 30, 2026: | $2,887,945.36 |
| Receipts during July 2026: | $ 42,730.67 |
| Disbursements during July 2026: | $ 332,482.09 |
| Ending Balance as of July 31, 2026: | $2,598,193.94 |

A **MOTION** was made by Clemons and seconded by Hoffenberg to approve the Treasurer's Report dated August 17, 2026, as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Rev. Jeffrey Clemons, Sophia Mallis, Al Dorobiala, Erin Miller, and Barbara Minneci. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY PAYABLES:**

Sophia Mallis presented a list of Forty (40) Payables totaling $315,166.08 dated August 17, 2026.

A **MOTION** was made by Clemons and seconded by Hoffenberg to approve the Monthly Payable dated August 17, 2026, as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Rev. Jeffrey Clemons, Sophia Mallis, Al Dorobiala, Erin Miller, and Barbara Minneci. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**TREASURER'S REPORTS:**

Sophia Mallis presented the Treasurer's Report dated September 21, 2026, as follows:

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| Ending Balance as of July 31, 2026: | $2,598,193.94 |
| Receipts during August 2026: | $ 172,106.16 |
| Disbursements during August 2026: | $ 312,858.31 |
| Ending Balance as of August 31, 2026: | $2,457,441.79 |

A **MOTION** was made by Clemons and seconded by Hoffenberg to approve the Treasurer's Report dated September 21, 2026, as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Rev. Jeffrey Clemons, Sophia Mallis, Al Dorobiala, Erin Miller, and Barbara Minneci. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF MONTHLY PAYABLES:**

Sophia Mallis presented a list of Forty-seven (47) Payables totaling $306,073.19 dated September 21, 2026.

A **MOTION** was made by Clemons and seconded by Mallis to approve the Monthly Payables dated September 21, 2026, as presented. Roll Call: Elyse Hoffenberg, Rev. Jeffrey Clemons, Sophia Mallis, Al Dorobiala, Erin Miller, and Barbara Minneci. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. Motion Carried.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**A MOTION** to adjourn the meeting was made by Mallis and seconded by Clemons at 6:33 p.m. All in favor. Ayes: Unanimous. Nays: None. The meeting was adjourned.

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| Commission President | Secretary |