TIOGA COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HYGIENE

COMMUNITY SERVICES BOARD

September 18th, 2025

Pending Approval

Via Hybrid

Member Shawn Nalepa Attendance: Tina Lounsbury

> Keith Nichols, MD Bill Standinger, III Carolyn Galatzan Christine Schweitzer Patricia Gillule Porshea Moore

Guests: Renee Nuzak, OPWDD

Mental Lori Morgan, Director of Community Services

Hygiene Susan Graves, Secretary to the Director of Community Services

Attendance:

Meeting called to order at 9:38am

Category: Meeting Minutes

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

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Topic: Director Report – Lori Morgan

Discussion: Updates:

- Criminal Psych
 - One individual currently utilizing at \$35,000 per month
 - Will have to find \$50,000 in Mental Hygiene budget if not discharged by years end
 - County carries 100% of the financial burden
 - History & process reviewed
 - Judges can ask for status reports
 - Working towards that for Tioga County
- Staff
 - Contracted with two Nurse Practitioners for the clinic
 - One for Health Assessments
 - Another in person 17 hours per week
 - Current Nurse Practitioner will be on maternity leave in the fall
 - o Have not been successful in recruitment efforts through Indeed
- Budget
 - No issues with the budget going through

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Chair Report – Shawn Nalepa, Co-Chair

Discussion: No new updates

Topic: Committee Reports

Discussion: Update:

- Mental Health Mobile Crisis team up and running
- OD Vigil in August was a success
 - o 10-15 agencies tabled at the event
 - o 5 speakers presented
 - A lot of agencies stepped in to help
- Narcan numbers have increased significantly
 - o 93-94 Narcan kits given out at the Red Door in Waverly in one day
- ASAP Coalition received their grants
- Hiring for the SOS program
- DDRO/DDSO from OPWDD reviewed the federal funding cuts
 - o No OPWDD cuts
 - Change in eligibility determinations
 - Details shared

Status: Informational – Complete

Topic: Other Business

Discussion: Updates:

Renewal Ranch

- New hours: 2:00-4:00pm
- Partnered with CHOW now a registered daily food pantry
- Room built for the pantry

Tioga Opportunities

- Lori had a meeting with Tioga Opportunities to renew partnership
- MOU to be completed
- Have walk-in acute care
- Tioga Opportunities is working with Renewal Ranch to do physicals and other medical needs

Peer Advocate – Porshea Moore

- Met with Becky at Renewal Ranch to discuss boundaries
- Porshea reiterated they each need to stay within their own scope
- Becky is receptive to Porshea's guidance
- Detailed discussion pursued regarding Renewal Ranch

A New Hope Center – Christine Schweitzer

- Changes taking place at the Center
- Fran will share next month
- Halloween Event October 4th, at the Owego Elks from Noon 5:00pm
 - "Let's Ghost DV" family carnival
 - Looking for people to table at this event

Status: Informational – Complete

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 10:05am. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 16th, 2025, at 9:30am.

