

Regular Meeting
May 26, 2021

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL:

Meeting was called to order at 9:04 am

Board Members:

- Kevin Shutty, BOCC
- Randy Olson, Citizen
- Eric Onisko, Council, City of Shelton
- Cappy Shapiro, Citizen
- Peggy VanBuskirk, MC Board of Health
- Mark Freedman, Administrative Service Organization (ASO)

Staff Members:

- Lydia Buchheit, MC Public Health
- Todd Parker, MC Public Health
- Abe Gardner, MC Public Health

Guests/Public:

- Jeff Niten, City of Shelton
- Sharon Lee, Low Income Housing Institute
- Aaron Long, Low Income Housing Institute
- Jim States, M.D. Citizen, Area Command

2. PUBLIC COMMENTS: None

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA:

Motion was made by Eric Onisko, and seconded by Peggy VanBuskirk to approve the agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

Motion was made by Eric Onisko and seconded by Peggy VanBuskirk to approve the regular minutes from March 2021, April 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

5. MEETING TOPICS:

- a. Guest Speaker:** Sharon Lee & Aaron Long
Low Income Housing Institute (LIHI) Housing First and Permanent Supportive Housing Presentation

b. Behavioral Health: Abe Gardner

- i. TST Policies and Procedures-Update- Reviewed updates and changes to the By-Laws.

Peggy Vanbuskirk motioned to move the revised Policies & Procedures to the County Commission for review. Eric Onisko seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

- ii. Current TST contract review- Abe reviewed 2021-2022 budgets for TST contracts
- Recommend funding a two-year contract for NWRH with an increase of \$10,000/year
 - Recommend funding Olympic Health and Recovery Services (OHARS)
 - Recommended not funding Consejo for this next cycle and revisiting their needs for the next cycle.

Peggy Vanbuskirk motioned to move forward contract proposals to the Board of County Commissioners, Randy seconded. Motion carried unanimously.

c. Homelessness and Housing: Todd Parker

- i. Coordinated Entry (CE)-Information- Todd reviewed that WA State is currently updating the CE guidelines. Todd presented a report with graphs on Mason County's CE program data for the past few years and YTD. Sent the report on the CE Survey and reviewed results. Agency Communication, marketing plans and policies and procedures adherence have continued work to do.
- ii. Homeless Encampment Call-update-Jeff Niten shared calling the encampment a "supportive encampment".
- iii. Contracting update-Agencies have been sent information to update for upcoming contract renewals. Todd shared spreadsheet on 2021-2023 Housing Award breakdown. Awaiting on Commerce to get their awards announced. On target to get contracts out by July 1, 2021.

6. GOOD OF THE ORDER: Commissioner Shutty announced information about a grant opportunity for a Crisis Stabilization center that the BHO is reviewing.. The second is a request for the June meeting to have Casey Bingham present on Covid Housing funding, FEMA, Commerce and Treasury.

7. CLOSURE- Meeting adjourned at 10:55 AM

8. NEXT MEETING—JUNE 23, 2021