

MINUTES

LARIMER COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH POLICY COUNCIL

Date: April 8, 2019
Time: 8:00-10:00am
Location: Hearing Room, 1st Floor, County Courthouse Office Building
300 West Oak Street, Fort Collin, CO 80521
Contact: Laurie Stolen, Behavioral Health Services Director

ATTENDEES: Troy Hamman-Wellington, Kristie Melendez- Windsor, Kristin Stephens-Fort Collins, Ken Zornes-Estes Park, Steve Olson-Loveland, Steve Johnson-Commissioner Liaison, Will Karspeck-Berthoud, Kevin Lemasters-Johnstown, Mary Maldonado-At-Large, Nick Christensen-At-Large, Chad Morris-At-Large, Marianne Dungan-At-Large, Lisa Kurth-At-Large, Clark McCoy-At-Large, Laurie Stolen-Staff, Rachel Iverson-Staff

ABSENT: Jill Grossman-Belisle-Timnath,

CALL TO ORDER/INTRODUCTIONS – Steve Johnson called the meeting to order at 8:05 a.m.

AGENDA REVIEW

DISCUSSION/DECISIONS

- a) Introductions of all BHPC members as the new At-Large members were in attendance.
- b) At-Large member terms were defined. Mary Maldonado and Lisa Kurth will each serve three-year terms ending in 2022. Nick Christensen and Clark McCoy will each serve two-year terms ending in 2021. Chad Morris and Marianne Dungan will each serve one-year terms ending in 2020. It was also discussed that there isn't a limitation on terms for At-Large members and anyone can reapply when there are openings, including the existing At-Large members.

- c) Funding options and recommendations on how to spend the 2019 distributed funds of \$1 Million. The Policy Council would like the Technical Advisory Committee to determine the highest, immediate needs and give presentations at future meetings backing up the recommendations with data and research.
- d) Members talked about the desire to create a calendar on the Behavioral Health website where all municipalities can have their community events posted.
- e) Future meetings were agreed upon for the first Monday of each month from 8:00am to 10:00am alternating between the Fort Collins building and the Loveland building.

INFORMATION AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) Two new fulltime employees for Behavioral Health Services, a Business Operations Manager and Health Planner and Evaluation Specialist, were approved by and carried unanimously from the Board of County Commissioners.
- b) Gary Darling has been appointed as the Behavioral Health Services advisor.
- c) Town of Windsor will be holding a “Community Cares Day” on June 20th as an awareness night.

COMBINED MEETING:

- a) Technical Advisory Committee members joined the Policy Council at 8:45am.
- b) Introductions of everyone were done.
- c) Expectations of the Policy Council for the Technical Advisory Committee were discussed including processes of how to determine spending of the 2019 distributed funds. The Policy Council would like to hear from foundation experts regarding the funding decisions.

OTHER BUSINESS:

- d) Both committees reviewed their rosters for accuracy. Updated rosters will be given at the next meetings. All members will receive both rosters.
- e) Group photos were taken and posted on the Behavioral Health Services website.

NEXT MEETING:

- a) Next meeting will be held in Loveland on May 6th from 8:00-10:00am

ADJOURN for the Policy Council – 10:10 a.m.



BALLOT LANGUAGE

Shall Larimer County taxes be increased \$19,000,000 dollars annually (estimated first fiscal year dollar increase in 2019) and by whatever additional amount as may be raised annually thereafter, for a period of 20 years by the imposition of a .25% (25 cents on \$100 dollars) sales and use tax with all revenue from such tax to be used in accordance with the Board of County Commissioners Resolution # 07242018R013 for the following Mental/Behavioral Health care purposes;

-Provide preventative, early identification, intervention, support, and treatment services for youth, adults, families and senior citizens, either directly or indirectly, who are residents of Larimer County including Berthoud, Estes Park, Fort Collins, Johnstown, Loveland, Timnath, Wellington, Windsor and rural communities of Larimer County through in-person and other delivery methods, which may include tele-services, community based services and other service options and;

-acquire, construct, improve, maintain, lease, remodel, staff, equip, and operate new and/or existing mental/behavioral health facilities;

Further provided that an annual report shall be published and provided to the Board of County Commissioners on the designation or use of the revenues from the tax increase in the preceding calendar year consistent with its approved purposes.

