**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH**

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**Board Minutes May 25, 2022**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ann Bagley, Alberta Chokshi, Walter Claypool, Martin Fay, James Lee Holden, Vanessa Jensen, Kathy Johnson, Jennifer Malainy, Linda Miller, Gregory O’Brien, Steven Oluic, Michael Petruziello, Mary Ruth Shumway

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Carolee Lesyk

**GUESTS INCLUDE:** Kim Carter, Susan Parker (NAMI Geauga), Vicki Clark, Brittain Paul (Ravenwood Health), Mary Wynne-Peaspanen, Stacy Noyes (Signature Health), Melanie Blasko, John Lewis (Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers), Michelle Bertman (Catholic Charities), Tia Lawrence (Torchlight Youth Mentoring Alliance), Andrea Gutka (WomenSafe), Gail Roussey, (Geauga League of Women Voters), Angi Daugherty (Family Pride), Judge Carolyn Paschke (Geauga Common Pleas Court), Anastasia Nicholas, Lee Miller, Mary Briggs

**STAFF PRESENT:** Amie Martin-D’Arienzo, Jim Mausser, Teresa Slater

1. **CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Ms. Malainy called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. She then stated that this meeting of the Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services is being held in public for the purpose of conducting the Board’s business. Public comments will be allowed for a total of ten minutes at the end of the meeting.

Ms. Chokshi called the roll for attendance purposes and the following Board members were present: Ann Bagley, Alberta Chokshi, Walter Claypool, Martin Fay, James Lee Holden, Vanessa Jensen, Kathy Johnson, Jennifer Malainy, Linda Miller, Gregory O’Brien, Michael Petruziello and Mary Ruth Shumway. Steven Oluic arrived at 6:20 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those in attendance.

1. **JUDGE CAROLYN PASCHKE – NEW LEAF PROGRAM (DRUG COURT)**

Chairwoman Malainy introduced Geauga Common Pleas Court Judge Carolyn Paschke, who oversees the New Leaf Drug Court Program. Judge Paschke had two points she wanted to cover: Description of the New Leaf Program and the need for mental health services at the Safety Center.

Background: Judge Paschke said the Common Pleas Court is experiencing record levels of cases this year due to a backlog at the state crime lab, and not necessarily due to more crimes being committed. In 2021, there were 225 felony cases. There have been 138 felony cases so far as of last week, and they are on track to have close to 300 this year.

Judge Paschke explained that the municipal court sees low level offenses and common pleas court oversees felony cases. Local jails are intended to be used for shorter term stays of usually not more than 6 months. Prisons are intended for those who receive longer terms of sentencing, usually for years. Judge Paschke said the prisons are overcrowded and there is a lot of recidivism of previously incarcerated individuals, either due to a violation of probation or new criminal activity.

The New Leaf Program is designed to help reduce recidivism and cut back on the number of people she is seeing over and over again, especially someone with a substance use disorder. Most of the individuals involved with the drug court have already served jail or prison sentences.

Judge Paschke said putting someone with a substance use disorder, not treating that person, and then releasing them in the community to commit crime again is not a good use of taxpayer money. There is a better way to address this issue by using some type of treatment model. It costs $72.00 a day to keep someone in the jail. In 2019 the cost for someone incarcerated in a prison for a year was $28,640.

Drug Court is a volunteer program. Individuals must have a substance use disorder, and must apply and get accepted. The program is not available for anyone who has committed a violent crime or who is a sex offender. The treatment team consists of representatives from Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers, Ravenwood Health, Public Defender’s Office, Prosecutor’s Office, Sheriff’s Office, Probation Department, Northeast Ohio Community Alternative Program, and Family Pride. Participants have to graduate from six phases, which can be completed in a minimum of 16-24 months.

The program requires accountability by each participant. They must call in every morning and twice a week go for a drug screening. They must follow the recommended treatment plan. Judge Paschke said 85% of criminal cases are substance use related, and almost all of the participants have a dual diagnosis. In the first two phases, each participant must see her every week, which helps achieve a better success rate. Goals include treatment, sobriety, and to be employed by the end of the program. There are scholarships and funding opportunities available. Participants are encouraged to become involved in social activities, church, communities, etc. Participants must maintain sobriety to advance through each phase. As they work their way through the program, by the time someone reaches graduation, they only check in with Judge Paschke once a month. If a participant has a setback, there are steps in place to help get them back on the right track. Most participants are high risk with not a lot of family or friend support. The program does provide rewards and incentives (gift cards, etc.). The program was certified by the Ohio Supreme Court in June of 2019. Since the program’s inception, they have had a 69% success rate. There have been six graduates with two more graduating tomorrow at 11:00 on Chardon Square.

Mental Health Needs at the Jail: Judge Paschke said she has been seeing a big increase in the number of mental health cases before her. She approximates that 85% of individuals at the jail have some type of mental health issue. She said it is difficult to deal with people who are not totally rational. She has observed that medication can be very effective. It may take some time and adjusting of medication, but she has seen individuals make vast improvements. Another thing she is seeing revolves around compliance issues. She has asked the probation department if there is something different that can be done instead of just sending someone to prison, where they will probably become a victim. She has been exploring the idea of implementing a mental health jail treatment program similar to intensive outpatient programs. There is no facility where an inmate can be sent for a 30/60/90 period. The program would include medication management, intensive therapy, and reentry skills and goals. A person could be put on probation and monitored. If not successful, they will have to go back to jail. Judge Paschke sees this as a good way to cut down on recidivism and she has been meeting with people in the county to that end.

Ms. Shumway asked if the New Leaf program provides supportive services to families. Judge Paschke said there is a person from JFS who is on the treatment team who works with them. Ms. Shumway then asked if there is funding available for a mental health court. Judge Paschke believes there is, but it has to be determined if there is a need for a full-blown mental health court.

Mr. Claypool asked what the cost is for a 16 to 24-month period and how many people are in the program. Judge Paschke said they were approved by the Supreme Court for 25 participants and there are 22 right now. As of tomorrow, there will be eight graduates. There have been eight unsuccessful terminations which ended with either a warrant being issued or the person committing additional crimes. Out of 35 total participants, eight have failed. Mr. Claypool then asked about the cost of the program. Judge Paschke said the program accesses pooled funding from many sources. She does not have a specific number because all the participants are involved with many agencies. The program has not increased the cost to the court at all. Mr. Claypool said Judge Trebets told him years ago that the program cost $1 Million per person. Judge Paschke replied absolutely not. Mr. O’Brien asked if an individual continues to receive some type of services once they graduate from the program. Judge Paschke replied that they do. She can’t force them to participate in AA, but she does encourage participation in an alternative such as Smart Recovery and to develop a sober support network. Judge Paschke said after graduation, the drug court coordinator and probation officer check in with them about once a month. Graduates are encouraged to become mentors and peer support training is offered.

Judge Paschke said she has committed some of the court’s funds in working toward a mental health program in the jail. They have increased the jail treatment program using Board funds. They do need a therapist and Ravenwood Health is advertising for that position.

1. **APPROVAL OF BOARD MINUTES FROM APRIL 20 AND MAY 4, 2022**

Ms. Miller referenced Mr. Claypool’s Planning and Policies report from the April 20, 2022 meeting and asked where we are at with SurveyConnect. Mr. Claypool replied that with the current situation, it has been put on hold, but he can move forward if the Board chooses. Ms. Miller asked why it was put on hold and again referenced his verbal report. Dr. Jensen said she wants to make sure her comment that the purpose stated for going into Executive Session does not meet what is allowable is included. She would like the Minutes to reflect that the restated motion for Executive Session did not match what was originally advertised. **Mr. Claypool then moved to approve the April 20, 2022 Minutes. Ms. Miller seconded the motion, with the above stated correction.** **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved with the requested change.**

**Mr. Claypool moved to approve the May 4, 2022 Minutes. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-10; Nays-0; Abstentions-3. Motion approved.**

1. **CHAIRWOMAN’S REPORT**

Ms. Malainy said Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo sent out an online schedule for Sunshine Law training. She asked that Board members let Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo know if anyone would prefer to have a group training session.

1. **INTERIM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT**

Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said she did not have anything to add to her written report. She was asked not to review the whole report due to time constraints. Mr. Claypool referenced her comment about a 353% increase in the need for services. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo replied that figure was based upon a study in 2021 by OhioMHAS, the Governor’s Office of Workforce Transformation, InnovateOhio and Deloitte. She further stated that the need for services has increased, but the people who can provide those services has not increased. The Governor will be allocating $85 Million in the hopes of closing that gap with incentives to employees and to allow for paid interns. Mr. Claypool said the Board needs to have a conversation about this, whether there is that big of an increase or if the government just wants to grow. Mr. O’Brien suggested that Mr. Claypool and Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo discuss this at another time. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo reported that Resolution 22-05-13 came about due to the pre-audit requirements of HUD. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said she will be on vacation during the next regularly scheduled Board meeting. It was decided that the meeting would go forward on the normal date.

1. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**
   1. **Agency Relations**

Ms. Miller said Agency Relations met four times with Finance to hear from agencies about their Requests for Proposals for SFY2023. They also met last night to review and present Resolutions 1 and 3-12 this evening for Board consideration.

* 1. **Finance**

Mr. Petruziello said he attended a meeting with the Budget Commission. Mr. Mausser said they are not happy about the level of the Board’s reserves and think it is too high. They would like to see some type of plan to use the funds or a reduction in millage collection for a year or so. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said at the time, they did not have the information about the two capital projects that are in process and would require the Board to commit at least $1.2 Million for those projects. Dr. Oluic said he has had the same issue at the water department. He doesn’t recommend changing the budget and said the Board has to plan for a rainy day. Mr. Petruziello said another meeting with the Budget Commission has been scheduled and the capital projects information will be presented to show that funds have been committed. Dr. Oluic said the Board does have long range plans. There is a housing crisis in the county and the Board needs to address it.

* 1. **Planning and Policies**

Mr. Claypool reported there has been no meeting and no action since his last report.

* 1. **Housing**

On April 26th members of the committee had an informal discussion with Craig Swenson of Job and Family Services about what they see from their organization’s perspective regarding housing. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo, Mr. Mausser, Mr. Petruziello, Ms. Johnson, and Mr. O’Brien had a discussion yesterday about a five-year capital expenditure plan. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo will provide the Commissioners and the Budget Commission with information about how the Board intends to use its funds for housing. Two locations are being looked at now – the Center Street location in Chardon after county offices have moved to their new location and property currently owned by the Board. Mr. O’Brien asked for a motion to submit a Request for Quote to contract with an architect to see what would be possible at either site. The land where the Board’s apartment complex is located could support the construction of an additional ten units. The Board will need to weigh the cost of new construction versus renovation, and bringing on an architect will help them make that decision.

Mr. Claypool said he has heard a lot of very vague terms about the need for housing. This issue should be discussed with the whole Board before proceeding. Mr. O’Brien said Mr. Swenson from Job and Family Services will attend the next meeting to talk about the need for housing. Mr. O’Brien then said he would be happy to have a general agenda item to discuss housing needs and would include other stakeholders and members of the ad hoc housing committee. He has seen firsthand that there is a need. Mr. O’Brien said the Board has heard from several agencies that mental health issues are rising. There will always be a need for housing. He is not suggesting a new building or renovating an existing facility right now, but he does think the Board should move forward and commit to addressing this need. Mr. Claypool feels the Board is putting the cart before the horse until we decide what the need is. Mr. O’Brien asked if any Board members believe we should not move forward with housing.

Dr. Oluic said the Board has received a lot of information and had in depth discussions with agencies about the need. That is why the Sheriff was invited to speak last month and why Judge Paschke came today to try and address this issue. He said facts and figures have been presented to the Board. Dr. Oluic said the Board also has details from staff and anecdotal evidence about having to place residents outside of this county, which is very expensive. He doesn’t want to slow down the momentum the Board has. Ms. Chokshi talked about having other agencies come in to speak about specific types of housing – mental health, recovery, half way, independent – although a lot of this information has been included in many emails. Ms. Malainy suggested that Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo, Mr. O’Brien, Ms. Shumway and Dr. Oluic put something together for the whole Board to review and understand.

1. **BOARD REVIEW AND ACTION ITEMS**
   1. **Resolution 22-05-1 System of Care Funding Allocations for SFY2023**

**Ms. Miller moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Chokshi seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-2 Disposition of Board Vehicle**

**Mr. Petruziello moved to approve the Resolution. Mr. Holden seconded the motion.**  **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-3 Administrative Budget for SFY2023**

**Ms. Miller moved to approve the Resolution. Mr. Holden seconded the motion.** Discussion: Dr. Jensen said she was under the impression that some type of discussion relating to salaries would take place in Executive Session. Ms. Malainy replied that the Board would not be talking about salaries today. Mr. Petruziello said the Board’s budget can be amended at any time. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-12; Nays-0; Abstentions-1. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-4 Signature Health Grant Award for SFY2023**

**Dr. Jensen moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Miller seconded the motion.** Discussion: Ms. Johnson asked if there is anything which states that the Board has to provide this service. Mr. Mausser said levy funds are used, but he does not think the Board is mandated to provide this service. Ms. Johnson asked if there is another agency who could provide this. Mr. Holden feels this is a matter for public health. Dr. Oluic said it was clarified to most people’s satisfaction, but the Board could more critically review this program. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-9; Nays-4; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-5 Geauga Sheriff Grant Award for SFY2023**

**Dr. Oluic moved to approve the Resolution. Dr. Jensen seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-10; Nays-3; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-6 Torchlight Allocation for SFY2023**

**Mr. Holden moved to approve the Resolution. Dr. Jensen seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-7 Lake-Geauga Recovery Centers Allocation for SFY2023**

**Ms. Johnson moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Bagley seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-8 NAMI Geauga Allocation for SFY2023**

**Mr. Holden moved to approve the Resolution. Mr. Petruziello seconded the motion.** Discussion: Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said the amount recommended is less than what was requested. Ms. Shumway said the reason is because of the potential for double billing for some of the programs. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-9 WomenSafe Allocation for SFY2023**

**Ms. Shumway moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Bagley seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-10 Family Pride Allocation for SFY2023**

**Ms. Miller moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Shumway seconded the motion.** Discussion: Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said one of the allocations was slightly increased from what was recommended. Ms. Shumway said the agency told the Board they could provide more case management if they had additional funds. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-12; Nays-1; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-11 Ravenwood Health Allocation for SFY2023**

**Dr. Oluic moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Chokshi seconded the motion.**  Discussion: Mr. Claypool asked if there was any discussion last night about the requested increase to mental health community support. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said the need has increased that much. Mr. Claypool asked what the need is. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said due to the increase in the number of clients. This additional funding will help fill that gap. Mr. Claypool then again asked what the nature of the increase is. Ms. Clark said they have seen an increase in adults with severe and persistent mental illness due to the pandemic and seclusion. There has also been a significant increase in the number of kids seeking services. Mr. Claypool asked what the underlying issue is. Ms. Clark said they are working with kids who are acting out in homes, schools and the community. This program helps keep kids in their homes and get them stabilized so the behavior doesn’t continue. She is not sure there is one underlying reason. Mr. Claypool said depression is one issue and psychosis is another issue all together. He asked if this will be a permanent increase. Ms. Clark said this is a point in time increase which they may not need in the future. Ms. Miller said the agency needs to have enough funding to either raise the pay of current staff and/or hire more staff in an effort to compete with other agencies, and address the problems they are seeing.

Mr. Holden said when comparing the Resolution allocations with the budget presented last night, there is a $100,000 difference. Mr. Mausser said that allocation will be covered by a separate resolution.

Mr. Claypool asked about the line item allocating funds to Geauga Metropolitan Housing Authority. Ms. Martin-D’Arienzo said this is a new program to have a case manager onsite at GMHA because they are seeing an increase in mental health issues. Some of their residents are already mental health clients and they need someone to help intervene when necessary. Mr. Petruziello said the staff at GMHA are not trained to handle the mental health problems they are seeing. He recommended staff at Metro Housing meet with Ms. Clark to see what could be done. Ms. Clark said the case manager will be full time, but some of her time will be billed to other funding sources. Mr. Claypool asked if it is appropriate for some of the clients to be at GMHA. Ms. Clark responded there is no mental health housing available. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-12 Catholic Charities Allocation for SFY2023**

**Ms. Johnson moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

* 1. **Resolution 22-05-13 Permanent Supportive Housing Grant Award**

**Ms. Miller moved to approve the Resolution. Ms. Johnson seconded the motion.** Discussion: Mr. Mausser reported that as a part of the HUD funding review, since the Board is the actual recipient, HUD wants to see the Board’s intake procedure. Since this service is contracted out, the Board needs to adopt the procedures of Ravenwood Health for placing people in HUD facilities. Those procedures are attached to the Resolution and the Board would be approving that process. Boards cannot provide services but must need to show they are following federal guidelines. **Roll Call Vote: Ayes-13; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.**

Ms. Miller reported that Agency Relations and Finance met last night to make allocation recommendations for this evening. There was discussion that the Board would entertain agency requests for additional funding if they could show need.

* 1. **Finance Reports**

Mr. Mausser reported that 69.3% of the administrative budget has been expended through April 30, 2022. There was an expense from the Community Education budget for food costs at a couple of trainings. The Calendar Year Budget through April 30th was just under $2.5 Million, and the Unencumbered Balance was just over $4.15 Million. He reported that the Cash Balances by Sources of Funds are all in order. He said there will be a lot of zeroing out as we approach the end of the fiscal year. The Board received Voucher Recap #670 in the amount of $639,841.46 which represents April payments. Ms. Miller commented on the amount of SOR opiate response funds and the fact that there are only five months left to spend the money. Mr. Mausser said he made a substantial draw down that is not shown and will make another big draw down next week. He estimates that the carryover from this fiscal year will be approximately $520,000.

1. **OLD BUSINESS**

There was no Old business discussed.

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1. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
   1. **Industrial Appraisal**

Ms. Slater reported that she has contacted Industrial Appraisal to provide an updated appraisal and new construction cost for the Board’s facilities, pursuant to the recommendation of our insurance agent. They have been out to review the properties and will provide a proposal for reappraisal. Mr. O’Brien said once the reappraisal determination is made, there may be a corresponding increase to the cost of insurance for the buildings.

Ms. Bagley did have a discussion item that should go under Old Business. She said a number of Board members could have been present for the special meeting on May 4th if they would have been allowed to participate via Zoom. She is very concerned that Zoom was not allowed. Ms. Malainy said she was sorry, but there will not be Zoom. That decision has already been made.

* 1. **Nominating Committee**

Ms. Malainy will be contacting Board members to serve on the Nominating Committee to submit a proposed Slate of Officers for SFY2023 which will be voted on at the June meeting. Dr. Jensen clarified that Board members will receive the proposed Slate of Officers prior to the meeting. Ms. Slater said it will be sent out with the meeting packet for June.

Mr. O’Brien suggested taking public comments now and then moving to go into Executive Session. He said there will not be any action from Executive Session, so the Board will come out of Executive Session and then immediately adjourn. Dr. Jensen asked for clarification of the purpose of the Executive Session. She has two different sets of information. The first agenda she received says Executive Session will be held to discuss employee salaries and that is not listed on the agenda in front of her this evening. She then asked if employee salaries will be discussed. Ms. Slater said she sent out an amended agenda along with the Resolutions this morning. Ms. Malainy said the updated agenda does not include discussion of employee salaries during Executive Session and will not be part of the discussion this evening.

1. **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Mary Briggs: 1. She has heard from three prominent sources - and she wanted to have it in the public realm – that Diane Grendell is being considered to become the next director of this agency. 2. She helps coordinate many different community events, because Geauga County is not just all Anglo Christians, to show inclusiveness. Part of the June 19th celebration was going to be on the square, but there was concern about racism and it will now be held at Chagrin Falls Park. She is co-coordinator of Geauga County’s first gay pride day to be held on Chardon Square on June 18th. Retired Justice William O’Neill is one of the speakers and will talk about individual freedoms. The tag line is to honor, connect and embrace the diversity of our community. 3. There was an election recently, and in paper after paper there were articles about the sexualization of children by one of the candidates. She is not sure what he meant, but 62 plus years in Geauga county attending the school system and living here, United States Senator Grassley’s son-in-law’s sister was molested by a janitor at Westwood and the janitor kept his job. Ms. Briggs said there are priests that are not with us any more – sometime before 1992 – there was a spiritual advisor in a catholic school that had over 100 pictures of naked boys. Ms. Briggs used to speak at the Polaris Center where there are at risk children (14-year-old pregnant girls) and how could they afford to finish school and support their families. During the 1970’s there was a serial rapist in the community that has never been punished. She said the Park Board used to cover up things that happened in the park. Schools in urban areas used to pass out prophylactics in the restrooms. She also spoke about the three Amish boys who watched porn on a smart phone. Two boys went home and one went next door and his raped neighbor and was sentenced to a minimum of three years. She reminded everyone of the events on June 18th and 19th. She then thanked the Board for its time and said she appreciates the work they do in the community.

Michelle Bertman of Catholic Charities: She was recently told about three senior citizens in Geauga who are losing their homes. Ms. Bagley asked if they need mental health housing. Ms. Bertman said some do.

Gail Roussey from the Geauga League of Women Voters: She wanted to clarify that the Board will not be taking any action as a result of Executive Session. Ms. Malainy confirmed that there will be no action taken. The Board will come back into Regular Session and then adjourn.

1. **Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, or demotion of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual pursuant to ORC Section 121.22(G)(1)**

**Mr. Petruziello moved to enter into Executive Session to consider the appointment, employment, dismissal, discipline, promotion, or demotion of a public employee or official, or the investigation of charges or complaints against a public employee, official, licensee, or regulated individual pursuant to ORC Section 121.22(G)(1). Mr. Claypool seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-9; Nays-4; Abstentions-0. Motion Approved.** The Board went into Executive Session at 7:36 PM, then came out of Executive Session and was back in Regular Session at 8:31 PM.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Petruziello moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Fay seconded the motion. The meeting was then adjourned at 8:32 PM.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

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**Ms. Teresa Slater**

**Secretary/Receptionist**

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**Ms. Jennifer Malainy**

**Chairwoman of the Board**

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**Ms. Alberta Chokshi**

**Secretary of the Board**