**GEAUGA COUNTY BOARD OF MENTAL HEALTH**

**AND RECOVERY SERVICES**

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**Board Minutes July 7, 2022**

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:** Ann Bagley, Alberta Chokshi, Walter Claypool, Martin Fay, James Lee Holden, Kathy Johnson, Carolee Lesyk, Jennifer Malainy, Linda Miller, Steven Oluic, Michael Petruziello

**BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT:** Gregory O’Brien, Mary Ruth Shumway

**GUESTS:** Gail Roussey (League of Women Voters), Valerie Clause (Karlovec Media Group), Mary Wynne Peaspanen (Signature Health), Mary Briggs (Public), Joe Schellentrager (past Board member, concerned citizen), Anastasia Nicholas (Chagrin Valley Times)

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

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

Dr. Oluic called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM.

Ms. Chokshi called the roll for attendance purposes and the following Board members were present at that time: Ann Bagley, Alberta Chokshi, Walter Claypool, James Lee Holden, Kathy Johnson, Carolee Lesyk, Linda Miller, Steven Oluic and Michael Petruziello. Jennifer Malainy arrived at 6:20 PM and Martin Fay arrived at 6:30 PM.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by those present.

Dr. Oluic said the Board plans to go into Executive Session after a motion has been made. There will be no public comments taken this evening. He further said serving as Chair is a very interesting position to be in. He is hoping to get a lot more done with less turmoil so that the Board can achieve its mission.

1. **EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO ORC 121.22(G)(1) TO CONSIDER THE EMPLOYMENT, COMPENSATION, DISMISSAL OR TERMINATION OF PUBLIC EMPLOYEE(S) AND ORC 121.22(G)(3) TO DISCUSS WITH LEGAL COUNSEL IMMINENT COURT ACTION AND LITIGATION**

Ms. Bagley moved to go into Executive Session for the purpose stated above, which was also recited by Dr. Oluic, and to invite Attorney McLandrich into said Executive Session. Ms. Chokshi seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-9; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.

Dr. Oluic asked the public and other staff members to leave and said they would be called when the meeting was back in Regular Session. The Board then went into Executive Session at 6:05 PM. The Board came out of Executive Session and was back in Regular Session at 6:51 PM.

Dr. Oluic said the following action is being taken as a result of the Executive Session: The Geauga County Board of Mental Health and Recovery Services agrees with the Release and Settlement Agreement between the Board and Mr. Jim Adams, provided the following changes are made to the Agreement: 1. Removal of Paragraph 1, Subparagraph c. 2. Removal of the words “physical and” 3. Changing the wording “as compensation for alleged lost wages” to a new phrase reflecting future wages to be determined by the attorneys involved. 4. The addition of a clause stipulating that both parties agree not to make disparaging comments about either party as determined by the attorneys involved. 5. Correction of spelling, grammatical and spacing errors. Mr. Claypool moved to approve the Agreement with the changes recited by Dr. Oluic. Ms. Miller seconded the motion. Roll Call Vote: Ayes-11; Nays-0; Abstentions-0. Motion approved.

1. **ADJOURNMENT**

Mr. Claypool moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Bagley seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 6:58 PM.

**Respectfully submitted by:**

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**Ms. Teresa Slater**

**Secretary/Receptionist**

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**Dr. Steven Oluic**

**Chairman of the Board**

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**Ms. Alberta Chokshi**

**Secretary of the Board**