



## **MENTAL HEALTH LOCAL ADVISORY COUNCIL**

March 11, 2024

12:00 - 1:30 PM

Gallatin County Courthouse Community Room and Via Zoom

### **IN ATTENDANCE:**

**Voting Members Present-** Commissioner Zach Brown, Erin Taylor, Ryan Mattson, Andrea Lower, Lori Christenson, Melaney Swenson, Anthea George, Roper Green, Yvonne Rudman, Susan Gregory, Tom Peluso, Steve Nash

**Non-Voting Members Present-** Rick Gale, Ben Frentsos

**Voting Members Absent-** Jennifer Madgic, Nicole Madden, Eric Szemes

**Guests-** Kirsten Smith, Gary Popiel- NAMI, Kristi Lahusen- GMC

**Staff-** NA

- Call to Order- Erin Taylor welcomed the group.
  - Roll Call- Erin Taylor took attendance.
  - Approval of Minutes: February minutes- Erin Taylor approved the minutes as distributed.
  - Public Comment:
    - Gary Popiel introduced himself as a liaison for NAMI to LAC.
    - Rick Gale raised \$1,000 for the Help Center with BINGO nights.
  - Officer and Committee Reports
    - Strategic Planning Committee
    - Outreach Committee
    - Membership Committee
    - Accounting- Tom Peluso gave the Treasurer report. The LAC has not spent anything for months. The balance is \$1685 with a \$2400 request for funds for the Salons and Saloons event.
    - Central Service Area Authority
  - Unfinished Business
    - Salons and Saloons Event- Yvonne updated the group. The event will be in the Emerson Ballroom, May 7<sup>th</sup> 9-10:30 a.m. They submitted a CSA grant to cover the cost of the ballroom rental. The deposit is due tomorrow, so Yvonne is asking for approval to pay for the Emerson Ballroom with LAC funds, hoping the CSA grant refunds the dollar amount.
- Ryan Mattson moves to approve using LAC funds for the Emerson Ballroom deposit, hoping the CSA grant reimburses the LAC. Steve Nash seconded the motion. All in favor say aye. Motion carried, unanimously.**

- New Business
  - Gallatin Behavior Health Coalition Update- Kirsten Smith presented an update. Documents are attached.
  - Gallatin Mobile Crisis- Kristi Lahusen introduced herself and told some stories about her work.
- Announcements- GGUW June 21, United Way Day of Action.
- Adjournment- Erin Taylor adjourned the meeting.
- Next Meeting is April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024.

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Erin Taylor, Board Chair