

**March 20, 2024 MEETING**  
**2:00 - 4:00 P.M.**  
**SCCCMH 1<sup>st</sup> Floor Auditorium**

**Present:**        **Chair:** Debra Johnson, St. Clair County CMH

**Vice Chair:**   Scott Crawford, The Council on Aging Inc.

Karen Palka	A Beautiful Me
Barbara Payton	Blue Water Allies
Sharon Wilton	Blue Water Area Chamber of Commerce
Karen Lake	Blue Water Community Action
Nicole Bickel	Blue Water Recovery & Outreach Center
Colleen Burrum	Blue Water Safe Horizons
Kathleen Swantek	Citizen
Robert Furtado	Citizen
Dr. David Goetz	Colonial Woods Christian Counseling Center
Caitlin Reynolds	Community Enterprises of St. Clair County
Mike Baranowski	Community First Health Center
Daniel Brejnak	Community First Health Center
Maggie Toole	Community Foundation of St. Clair County
Laken Hammond	Comprehensive Youth Services – The Harbor
Stacey Bednar	Comprehensive Youth Services – The Harbor
Lynn Wilhelm	Dementia & Alzheimer’s Association of SCC
Christine Cook	Disability Network Eastern Michigan
Sheri Faust	Friends of St. Clair River
Trish Spencer	Goodwill Industries of St. Clair County
Mike Weaver	Harbor Impact Ministries
Suzanne Powers	Legal Services of Eastern Michigan
Erin O'Brien	Michigan Works! Macomb/St. Clair Counties
Ann Austin	Michigan Works! Macomb/St. Clair Counties
Jacqui Rabine	MSU Extension Services of St. Clair County
Courtney Eveningred	NorServ Group, Ltd.
Kimberly Burdick	Offender Success – Catholic Charities of Shiawassee & Genesee Counties
Andrew Seppo	Operation Transformation
Whitney Ostrom	Professional Counseling Center, P.C.
Ken Heuvelman	Professional Counseling Center, P.C.
Jennifer MacDonald	Spero Pregnancy Center
Sheriff Mat King	St Clair County Sheriff’s Office
Sherry Archibald	St. Clair County Child Abuse/Neglect Council Inc.
Deb Johnson	St. Clair County Community Mental Health Authority
Misty Wojnarowicz	St. Clair County Department of Health & Human Services
Liz King	St. Clair County Health Department
Jennifer Michaluk	St. Clair County Health Department
Cassidy Livingston	St. Clair County Health Department
Riley Alley	St. Clair County Regional Education Service Agency
Scott Crawford	The Council on Aging Inc. serving St. Clair County
Major Jenny Ortman	The Salvation Army St. Clair County
Brent Gillette	United Way of St. Clair County

Shannon Benjamin 211  
Renee Pettinger Blue Water Area Rescue Mission  
Joe Bixler Southside Neighborhood Authority

## CSCB Staff

Bethany Murdick St. Clair County Community Mental Health / Secretary  
Gloria Valentin St. Clair County Community Mental Health / Secretary

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### I. **Welcome, Introductions**

Ms. Deb Johnson welcomed members to today's CSCB Full Body Meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves and state what organization they are from.

### II. **Agenda Changes**

Ms. Deb Johnson asked if there were any agenda changes at this time. Hearing none, the meeting moved forward.

### III. **Acceptance of January 2024 Meeting Minutes**

Ms. Deb Johnson asked if there were any corrections or additions to the January 2024 CSCB Full Body meeting minutes. Mr. Scott Crawford moved to approve the minutes as presented, seconded by Mr. Sheriff Mat King. **MOTION CARRIED**

### IV. **Organizational Presentations (30 minutes)**

#### **Colonial Woods Christian Counseling Center**

Mr. David Goetz gave a brief overview of his organization. He went over the history and the services offered. He explained that there are many different counseling services available, such as Premarital Counseling, Family Therapy, GriefShare Groups, Marital and Couple Therapy, Individual Therapy, Older Adult Therapy, and Adolescent/Child Therapy. Mr. Goetz handed out a brochure with more information about Colonial Woods Christian Counseling Center's staff, referral process and fee and insurance. Also distributed was a handout regarding Boundaries and Healthy Conflict Resolution that Mr. Goetz briefly addressed.

### V. **Southside Neighborhood Improvement Authority**

Mr. Joe Bixler shared that the Southside Neighborhood Improvement Authority used to be known as the Southside Coalition. Last year when Mr. Bixler attended the CSCB Full Body Meeting, he shared the newly developed community strategic plan created to address the needs of the residence of the Southside. They have now renamed themselves and are working toward some of the strategizes previously outlined. In the handouts today is information of upcoming meetings that members are invited to attend. On March 28<sup>th</sup> there is a Community Workshop to help generate ideas for redevelopment in the Southside area. He noted that food would be served at 5:00 PM for anyone interested.

### VI. **Emerging Issues (20 minutes total)**

#### **A. Homeless Shelter Ad-Hoc Disbandment**

Ms. Kathy Swantek noted that in today's packet was a handout from the Homeless Shelter Ad-hoc Committee outlining the accomplishments since this group began meeting. With the re-opening of Blue Water Area Rescue Mission, there is no longer a need for this ad-hoc committee, and the request is to disband the Homeless Shelter Ad-Hoc committee. Mr. Brent Gillette moved to approve the elimination, seconded by Mr. Robert Furtado. **MOTION CARRIED**

## **B. Blue Water Area Rescue Mission Ministries (BWARM)**

Ms. Renee Pettinger noted that BWARM opened on December 24<sup>th</sup>, 2023, and will stay open until the end of May 2024. BWARM has served 81 men, unduplicated count, with an average of 20 new individuals a month. Ms. Pettinger noted that 20% of the people served lived out of St. Clair County. They are hoping to open 9/8/24 and stay open all year round. BWARM is also looking for volunteers. Ms Pettinger offered for anyone who would like more information or has questions of BWARM, to please contact her.

## **C. SCC Link**

Ms. Cassidy Livingston presented the SCC Link to the Full Body members. She explained this is a HIPPA compliant survey that anyone can complete inquiring about substance use issues. It can be completed by any person who may have questions about services as well as someone who is looking for treatment referrals and recovery supports. The survey generates an email for the appropriate organization, who then reaches out to the individual. This ensures a virtual warm hand off and gets users connected to treatment and recovery resources. Ms. Livingston explained this will reduce wait time, improve workflow, and track referrals. sccLINK can be found on the Health Department's website or there is a QR code available on sccLINK the marketing material.

## **VII. CSCB Updates (30 minutes)**

### **A. Steering Committee**

#### **a. New Member Vote – Friends of St. Clair River**

Ms. Debra Johnson noted that Friends of St. Clair River, under the director Sheri Faust has requested membership to the CSCB. Ms. Johnson asked for a motion to accept the applications. Ms. Kathy Swantek moved to approve the new memberships, seconded by Ms. Jennifer MacDonald. **MOTION CARRIED.** Ms Johnson stated that now that Friends of St. Clair River is a member, they will be making presentation to this group at the July meeting.

#### **b. CSCB's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

Ms. Johnson notified the committee that there was a 40<sup>th</sup> Year logo made for the CSCB Full Body. Ms. Johnson expressed there will be a video made highlighting the history and the accomplishments of the CSCB to show as part of the November End of the Year meeting. If any member has any other ideas to recognize and celebrate this milestone, they can be forwarded to Amy Smith, Scott Crawford or Deb Johnson.

#### **c. 2023 Fiscal Report**

Ms. Johnson shared the 2023 Year End Expense Report. This report included: \$58,750 was collected from last year's memberships, total expenses were \$92,399.37. Ms. Johnson explained that the majority of the expenses for the CSCB are staffing issues. CMH will pick up the overage of 33,124.37. Moving forward Amy has developed a better checks and balance system to ensure expenses are logged correctly initially and timely. Also highlighted were the budgets for the Community Resource Fair, Suicide Prevention Committee, Car Seat Program and the Housing Summit.

Ms. Kathy Swantek moved to approve the 2023 Fiscal Report, seconded by Mr. Scott Crawford . **MOTION CARRIED**

### **B. Workgroup Updates**

#### **a. Business Resource Network**

Ms. Ann Austin noted BRN is currently meeting every other month. Ms. Austin explained that this group is trying to figure out through survey monkey what impact they can have on some of the workforce barriers. Participation has been very low and the group is looking at possibly disbanding if the data from the surveys indicates no interest.

#### **b. Early Childhood**

Ms. Riley Alley noted pre-school enrollment is now open.

Ms. Alley noted income eligibility may change and is encouraging everyone to apply.

**c. Housing & Support Services Workgroup**

Ms. Kathy Swantek reviewed the Point in Time Count with members. There were 183 people counted homeless in St. Clair County. Ms. Swantek reminded committee members that the Community Resource Fair is May 8, 2024. Fliers are in today's packet to post at member's organizations. Also in the packet is the vendor registration information and Resource Guide Advertisement form. Ms Swantek reminded members to make sure to complete the vendor form to reserve a spot at the Community Resource Fair. Anyone who is interested in purchasing an ad for the Resource Guide is encourage to do so.

**d. Substance Use Disorder PTR**

Mr. Ken Heuvelman reported that at the last SUPTR meeting, Millennium Health made a data presentation and noted the presentation will be sent out to the group in the future. Mr. Heuvelman reminded each committee member there is free naloxone at multiple areas in the county as listed on the flier in today's packet.

**e. Adolescent Services**

Ms. Karen Palka provided members with an updated Speakers Bureau List, which can also be found on the CSCB website. that will be a living document and is updated annually. She also noted that the Adolescent Resource Guide has also been updated and is available on the CSCB website.

**VIII. Additional Agenda Items (15 minutes)**

**A. CSCB Help Card Update**

Ms. Jennifer Michaluk provided everyone with a 2024 St. Clair County Help Card and noted changes will not be made until next year. She encouraged members to reach out if anything needs to be changed.

**B. CHIP Update**

Ms. Cassidy Livingston noted there is a stakeholders meeting the week of March 25<sup>th</sup> and will get information to put together a survey monkey to obtain more information.

**C. DAASCC**

Lynn Wilhelm noted there is a Dementia & Alzheimer's Luncheon on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2024. They are currently looking for sponsorships and nominations. Information is in today's packet.

**IX. Announcements**

➤ **St. Clair County Child Abuse/Neglect Council Dinner for Kids' Sake**

April 10, 2024 – Blue Water Convention Center – 6:00 PM

➤ **Spero Open House**

April 12, 2024 – Spero Pregnancy Center – 8:00 AM

➤ **Dementia & Alzheimer's Association Luncheon**

June 4, 2024 – Port Huron Golf Club – 11:30 AM

➤ **Blue Water Safe Horizons – Training & Educational Opportunities**

For more information, call 810 989 5246

➤ **Stronger together at BWROC**

1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of every month – BWROC – 6:30 PM

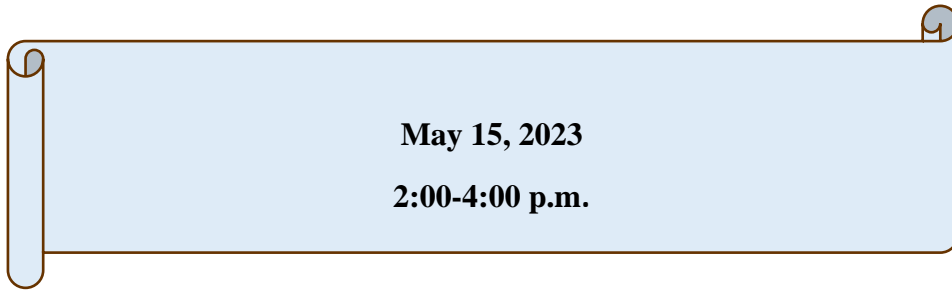
➤ **BWAT Millage Renewal**

May 2024

➤ **Lake Huron Medical Center Heath Fair**

August 17, 2024 – Lake Huron Medical Center – 10:00 AM

**X. Next Meeting**



**May 15, 2023**

**2:00-4:00 p.m.**

**XI. Adjournment**

With no further business to address, Ms. Debra Johnson adjourned the meeting at 3:31 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Reviewed and Approved by,

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Bethany Murdick  
Recording Secretary

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Debra Johnson  
Chair