

Batavia Township
Community Mental Health 708 Board Meeting
Thursday, June 22, 2023

MINUTES

President Howard Katz called the regular meeting of the Batavia Township Mental Health 708 Board to order at 7:00 PM on Thursday, June 22, 2023, via conference call.

Members Present: Nancy Hubbard, Howard Katz, Helen Sue Krol, Nancy Murphy, TJ Vaughan

Members Absent: Kim Tarver, John West

Also present: Dalila Alegria, INC MHA
Colleen Balija, INC MHA

President Katz asked for approval of the minutes of the February 09, 2023, meeting. Upon a motion by Nancy Murphy and second by TJ Vaughan, the minutes were unanimously approved.

Under Staff Report, Operations Manager Colleen Balija reported on the INC finances for the period of July 1 through April 30, 2023. All tax revenues have been received plus additional funds from Big Rock township, and interest rates are improving. Expenses YTD are \$1,756,971. Overall, Net Income is \$354,580.

Balija reviewed the unaudited client statistics for the fiscal year through April 30, 2023. She reported that 1,603 Batavia Township residents received 13,450 units of service for that period.

Executive Director Dalila Alegria reviewed the 2022 Tax Extension Report. She reported that the Batavia levy request was \$442,916 and the extension is \$435,794.

Alegria reviewed the preliminary 2023-2024 budget and noted changes to several items while offering explanations.

Balija presented the approved 2023-24 Allocations. She reported that the INC Board of Directors approved the funding recommendations by the Program Committee. There are 3 new agencies and 8 new programs in FY24.

Under New Business, Alegria shared the recommendation from the INC Board of Directors to the Batavia Township 708 Board for the proposed 2023 mental health tax levy. The increase would be for the 5% Consumer Price Index (CPI) allowed under the tax cap, plus any additional levy allowed due to new construction. Helen Sue Krol made the motion to accept the recommendation for the increase to the township board. The

motion was seconded by Nancy Hubbard and passed unanimously. Staff will forward the recommendation to Supervisor Leigh Tracy.

Balija presented the 708 Board with the proposed meeting schedule for 2023-24 and stated that concerns with the schedule can be directed to her.

Alegria reported that Kim Tarver's term will expire on June 30, 2023. Tarver graciously agreed to be re-appointed to another 4-year term. Alegria will request a reappointment from Supervisor Tracy.

Balija invited 708 board members to participate in the INC MHA Program Committee and Scholarship Ad-hoc Committee. Description of the committees was reviewed. Board members interested in these committees can contact Balija directly.

Under the Liaison Report, Vaughan reviewed a few items from the INC Board of Directors meeting in more detail for the Batavia 708 Board.

Under Other, Katz announced a new ad-hoc committee created to study Batavia Township government effectiveness.

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Krol and, with a second by Murphy, it was passed by unanimous vote at 7:29 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Helen Sue Krol
Secretary