

**Proviso Township Mental Health Commission  
Meeting Minutes –October 16, 2013  
4565 Harrison Street  
Hillside, IL 60162**

**Present**

Michael A. Corrigan  
Michelle De La Rosa  
Sherby Miller  
Arturo J. Mota  
ShawnTe Raines  
Eric R. Sawchuk  
\*Angela D. Walker

**Staff**

Nancy Colucci  
Jesse D. Rosas

**Guests**

Homer L. Bizzle  
Jay Donovan  
Arthur Doss  
Chris Welch

Attorney: James Vasselli

\*Denotes absent

President Corrigan introduced newly appointed Commissioner ShawnTe Raines, explaining that the appointment was approved at the last Township Board meeting. Commissioner Raines was then officially sworn in by President Corrigan and was welcomed by the entire Board and the Commission's Executive Director Jesse D. Rosas.

President Corrigan presided and called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Secretary Miller called the roll. The following Commissioners represented a Quorum:

Michelle De La Rosa  
Sherby Miller  
Arturo J. Mota

ShawnTe Raines  
Eric R. Sawchuk  
Michael A. Corrigan

**MINUTES**

President Corrigan asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the September 24, 2013 Board meeting. Vice President Sawchuk moved to approve the minutes as presented. Secretary Miller seconded the motion.

The Board was polled:

Michelle De La Rosa	Abstain	Eric R. Sawchuk	Aye
Sherby Miller	Abstain	Angela D. Walker	Absent
Arturo J. Mota	Aye	Michael A. Corrigan	Aye
ShawnTe Raines	Abstain		

Motion Carried

**PRESENTATION**

Executive Director Rosas reported that a crisis team was being dispatched to MacArthur Middle School in Berkeley Illinois after authorities reported that a 12-year-old juvenile fired a gun inside a bathroom at the school. Police say the 9 mm gun may have been accidentally fired into a toilet.

**PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

President Corrigan stated there was nothing to report.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Treasurer Mota presented the Financial Status report for September, 2013. President Corrigan asked for a motion to accept the Financial Status report for September, 2013. Vice President Sawchuk moved to accept the report as presented. Treasurer Mota seconded the motion.

The Board was polled:

Michelle De La Rosa	Aye	Eric R. Sawchuk	Aye
Sherby Miller	Aye	Angela D. Walker	Absent
Arturo J. Mota	Aye	Michael A. Corrigan	Aye
ShawnTe Raines	Aye		

Motion Carried

Secretary Miller inquired about the negative balance on the Financial Status report. The Executive Director explained that the amount due for outstanding property tax funds goes toward that negative balance. He cited that the Commission expects to be operating at approximately a 10% loss similar to last year. President Corrigan further explained that it is a balance between what is levied versus what is collected as well as the impact from the number of foreclosures.

Treasurer Mota presented the Bills & Disbursements for the month of September, 2013. President Corrigan asked for a motion to approve the Bills & Disbursements for September, 2013. Treasurer Mota so moved. Secretary Miller seconded the motion.

The Board was polled:

Michelle De La Rosa	Aye	Eric R. Sawchuk	Aye
Sherby Miller	Aye	Angela D. Walker	Absent
Arturo J. Mota	Aye	Michael A. Corrigan	Aye
ShawnTe Raines	Aye		

Motion Carried

#### **ATTORNEY'S REPORT**

Attorney Vasselli remarked there was nothing to report at this time.

#### **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

Executive Director Rosas spoke of the government shutdown which has challenged the agencies to maintain their services.

The Executive Director stated that the State had approved the ACE grant proposal. The application is due in January and since the material literature is vast, amounting to 16 TB's of information, the Commission will need the time to peruse all of it. Additionally, the VanGuard Medical Group had expressed interest in the Commission's endeavor, however the Executive Director expressed caution and was weighing the risks.

The President inquired on the status of the West Suburban Senior Services (WSSS) agency. Executive Director Rosas informed that the Commission had conducted an audit and found that the WSSS was operating at a 40% level, having lost their federal funding for their Age Options program. The Commission had funded them for a 6 month contract in an effort to minimize risking taxpayers' money.

President Corrigan commented that he had met with other agencies in Proviso Township to discover how to take over the services for seniors.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Attorney Vasselli addressed both the Board and the public stating the veteran issues were intertwined with the government shutdown which predicates that the Commission cannot make an informed decision at this time. Citing Section 28 of Roberts Rules of Order, he recommended a motion to table the issue until the November 20, 2013 meeting. President Corrigan asked for a motion to table the Veterans Program until the November 20, 2013 Board Meeting. Commissioner Raines moved to table the Veterans Program until the November 20, 2013 Board Meeting. Vice President Sawchuk seconded the motion.

The Board was polled:

Michelle De La Rosa	Aye	Eric R. Sawchuk	Aye
Sherby Miller	Aye	Angela D. Walker	Absent
Arturo J. Mota	Aye	Michael A. Corrigan	Aye
ShawnTe Raines	Aye		

Motion Carried

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Homer L. Bizzle of America Cares Too thanked the Board for their consideration and stressed the need for jobs for veterans. Treasurer Mota expressed the Board's appreciation for their advocacy and Vice President Sawchuk stated that if there's a service not being provided...the Commission Board needs to know about it.

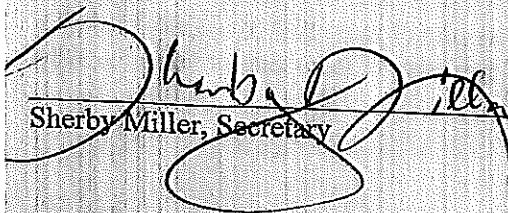
**ADJOURNMENT**

President Corrigan stated there being no other business, called for a motion to adjourn at 6:50pm. Vice President Sawchuk so moved. Treasurer Mota seconded the motion.

The Board was polled:

Michelle De La Rosa	Aye	Eric R. Sawchuk	Aye
Sherby Miller	Aye	Angela D. Walker	Absent
Arturo J. Mota	Aye	Michael A. Corrigan	Aye
ShawnTe Raines	Aye		

Motion Carried

  
Sherby Miller, Secretary

Nancy Colucci, Recorder