



## OLYMPIC HEALTH & RECOVERY SERVICES

### GOVERNING BOARD

Kevin Shutty, Commissioner  
Mason County District Two

Carolina Mejia, Commissioner  
Thurston County District One

Emily Clouse, Commissioner  
Thurston County District Five

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### Thurston-Mason Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (TMBH-ASO)/Olympic Health & Recovery Services (OHRS) Governing Board Meeting Minutes for June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2024

#### **Agenda Setting Meeting**

##### **In Attendance:**

Kevin Shutty, Chair; Carolina Mejia, Commissioner; Emily Clouse, Commissioner; Joe Avalos, TMBH-ASO/OHRS Administrator; Tara Smith, Fiscal Director; Sherri Nehl, Human Resources Director; Chris Foster, Information Services Director; Molly McIver, Clerk of the Board; Amy Martin, TMBH-ASO.

##### **1. Call Meeting to Order**

- I. Commissioner Shutty called the agenda setting meeting to order at 1:02 PM
- II. Agenda Items:
  - a) The governing board reviewed consent items 3a-3h as presented.

Agenda setting meeting adjourned at 1:26 PM.

#### **Governing Board Meeting**

##### **In Attendance:**

Kevin Shutty, Chair; Carolina Mejia, Commissioner; Emily Clouse, Commissioner; Joe Avalos, TMBH-ASO/OHRS Administrator; Tara Smith, Fiscal Director; Sherri Nehl, Human Resources Director; Chris Foster, Information Services Director; Molly McIver, Clerk of the Board; Amy Martin, TMBH-ASO.

##### **1. Call Meeting to Order**

Commissioner Shutty called the governing board meeting to order at 1:27 PM.

##### **2. Approval of Agenda**

- a) Commissioner Mejia moved to approve the June 2024 agenda. Commissioner Clouse seconded the motion. The motion carried.
- b) Commissioner Clouse moved to approve the May 16th, 2024, meeting minutes. Commissioner Mejia seconded the motion. The motion carried.

There was no public comment at this meeting.

##### **3. Consent Items**

Commissioner Clouse moved to approve consent items 3a through 3h. Commissioner Mejia seconded. The motion carried.

TMBHO, LLC	
<b>a) Description:</b>	Executive Management Re-Organization and New Clinical Director Position
<b>Action:</b>	Move to approve Resolution 24-06, establishing the following changes: reclassification of 1 Chief Executive Officer position to 1 Executive Director position, 1 Human Resources Director position to 1 Administrative Services Director position, 2 Behavioral Health Care Manager positions to 1 Care Coordination Director and 1 Contracts and Compliance Director; creating 1 new Clinical Director position; eliminating 1 Chief Operations Officer position and amending the pay and classification plan, effective July 1, 2024.
<b>b) Description:</b>	Updated Fiscal Signature Authorization Form for CY2024
<b>Action:</b>	Move to approve the Fiscal Authorized Signature Approval List as of June 2024 to ensure internal controls are in place to prevent fraud, waste and abuse as well as meet the requirements of the Thurston County Treasurer's Office who acts as the bank for the TM BHO, LLC, TM BH-ASO and OHRS.
<b>c) Description:</b>	Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Organization, LLC Voucher List for May 2024
<b>Action:</b>	Move to approve the Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Organization, LLC voucher list for the month of May 2024 in the amount of \$5,183.83.
Thurston Mason Behavioral Health - ASO	
<b>d) Description:</b>	Interlocal Agreement between Mason County and Thurston-Mason Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (TMBH-ASO) for Involuntary Treatment Court Services
<b>Action:</b>	Move to approve the Interlocal Agreement between Mason County and TMBH-ASO for an estimated total not to exceed \$175,000 for CY2024, for judicial services related to individuals involuntarily detained due to their mental disorder under chapters 71.05 and 71.24 RCW; and authorize the TMBH-ASO Administrator to execute the Interlocal Agreement and any future amendments that do not change the amounts by more than 15%.
<b>e) Description:</b>	Thurston Mason BH-ASO Voucher List for May 2024
	Move to approve the Thurston Mason Behavioral Health Administrative Service Organization (TMBH-ASO) voucher list for the month of May 2024 in the amount of \$1,007,498.47.
Olympic Health & Recovery Services (OHRS)	
<b>f) Description:</b>	Co-Responder Services Contract between Mason County and Olympic Health & Recovery Services, Amendment 02
<b>Action:</b>	Move to execute the Contract Amendment 02 between Olympic Health and Recovery Services and Mason County for continued co-responder mobile outreach crisis services in the amount of \$245,100 from July 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024; and authorize the OHRS Administrator to execute the contract and any future amendments that do not change the amount by more than 15%.
<b>g) Description:</b>	Olympic Health & Recovery Services Voucher List for May 2024

<b>Action:</b>	<b>Move to approve the Olympic Health &amp; Recovery Services (OHRS) voucher list for the month of May 2024 in the amount of \$208,689.19.</b>
<b>h) Description:</b>	Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD) Program, Professional Services Contract Amendment 01 between Mason County and Olympic Health and Recovery Services
<b>Action:</b>	<b>Move to execute the Professional Services Contract Amendment 01 between OHRS and Mason County in the amount of \$497,814 from April 19, 2024, through June 30, 2025, for the purpose of purchasing a vehicle and continued LEAD case management services to divert willing individuals with unmet behavioral health needs and/or extreme poverty to social service providers and services in lieu of jail booking and prosecution; and authorize the OHRS Administrator to execute the contract and any future amendments that do not change the amount by more than 15%.</b>

#### 4. Updates

- Staff are actively working on applying for accreditation with the International Council for Helplines (ICH). This application is very in-depth and requires compliance with many factors. The application will be submitted on July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- A Letter of Support from governing board members was submitted along with a Request for Proposals for Trueblood Phase V grant funds that would provide short-term housing options in the region. An answer is expected by July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Staff from OHRS presented at the Washington Behavioral Health Conference in Kennewick last week, the presentation reflected how the agency supports peers and received great feedback.
- A building located on South Bay Road, that was redesigned to be a long-term inpatient treatment facility, is up for sale. Joe Avalos toured the building with another provider from the region and stated it could be a valuable resource for the community regarding behavioral health treatment. The building was partially funded by the Washington State Department of Commerce and is owned by Recovery Innovations (RI). Both, Commissioner Shutty and Commissioner Mejia, asked to talk more about the possibilities for this facility.
- A farewell gathering for Mark Freedman is scheduled for June 28<sup>th</sup>, 12:30-2:00 PM, at the TMBH-ASO/OHRS main office in Lacey.
- The July 18<sup>th</sup> governing board meeting will be held in Shelton and the Mason County Commissioner's Chambers.
- Chris Foster, Information Services Director, shared that her team is actively gathering bids to add upgraded audio visual (AV) equipment to the training and conference rooms in the Lacey headquarters office.
- Costs for migrating the organization's network from one vendor to another are over the original budget; an amendment will be presented to board members in July.
- Two of the agency's residential homes are adding tenants this week, one in Shelton and one in Tumwater.
- The crisis team is experiencing fast turnover with Designated Crisis Responders. Pay is one major cause for this as OHRS is struggling to compete with local hospitals and

agencies in Pierce County. An active pay assessment is occurring with updates to be presented in the future.

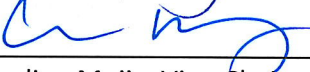
- Northwest Resources has received rate increases from some Managed Care Organizations (MCO), which is helping them cover costs a bit more. Increases from additional MCOs would further help them with overhead.
- Commissioner Shutty shared that one of the Mason County Commissioners is proposing an option to drop charges for some crimes for persons convicted in their county. This would have a stipulation that those persons would need to leave the county. An article featured by KING 5 News was published with details.

## 6. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 2:03 PM.

Thurston and Mason County, Washington

  
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Kevin Shutty, Chair

  
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Carolina Mejia, Vice-Chair

  
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Emily Clouse, Commissioner

ATTEST:

  
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Molly McIver, Clerk of the Board

Date: July 18, 2024