

**APPROVAL OF
YORK TOWNSHIP MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING MINUTES
May 22, 2025, 6:00PM**

Held in the Auditorium of York Township Offices, 1502 S. Meyers Road, Lombard, Illinois.

1: Meeting Called to Order: Michael Ledonne **Time:** 6:02 PM

2: Pledge of Allegiance: Mike Murray

3: Roll Call:

Board Member	Present	Absent	Board Member	Present	Absent
Michael Ledonne	x		Carmen Olmetti	X-Remote	
Chassy Datoli	x		Carol Scinto	x	
Jill Mueller	x		Albert Rago	x	
Counsel: Ken Florey	x		Jim Danielson		x

4: Motion to allow Carmen Olmetti to attend remotely per the bylaws: Motion to Approve: Motion 1- Jill Mueller- Motion 2- Chassy Datoli- President Ledonne asked Secretary Datoli to take roll call:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Board Member	Aye	Nay
Michael Ledonne	x		Albert Rago	x	
Chassy Datoli	x		Carmen Olmetti	x	
Jill Mueller	x		Carol Scinto	x	

Motion passed by all board members present.

5: Approval of April 24, 2025, Meeting minutes: Motion to Approve: Motion 1- Chassy Datoli Motion 2- Carol Scinto- President Ledonne asked secretary Datoli to take roll call:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Board Member	Aye	Nay
Michael Ledonne	x		Albert Rago	x	
Chassy Datoli	x		Carmen Olmetti	x	
Jill Mueller	x		Carol Scinto	x	

Motion passed by all board members present.

6: Introduction of new board Members: President Ledonne wants to introduce the two new appointed members of the board. Al Rago and Jim Danielson. to introduce himself and give a little background.

1st- Al Rago-One of the newly appointed board of trustee members of York Township. Al Rago stated he is a resident of Lombard. Mental health services are very important to him and his family. He has experienced very traumatic situations overtime and was very lucky to have mental health services available. He lost a family member to suicide despite all efforts. His reasons for wanting to be a part of the MHB is to provide many types of services both preventive and recovery to York Township.

2ND- Jim Danielson- President Ledonne mentioned Jim Danielson was appointed at the previous special meeting and unfortunately could not attend. We will wait to hear from Jim at our next meeting.

7: Public Comment: No Public comments

8: Election of Vice President: President Ledonne to a moment to elect a new Vice President- Carmen Olmetti: Motion to Approve: Motion 1- Chassy Datoli Motion 2- Carol Scinto-President Ledonne asked Secretary Datoli to take roll call:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Board Member	Aye	Nay
Michael Ledonne	x		Albert Rago	x	
Chassy Datoli	x		Carmen Olmetti	x	
Jill Mueller	x		Carol Scinto	x	

Motion passed by all board members present.

9: Election Of Board Position: Head of Finance: President Ledonne stated he would like to use this position to track and assess where the money is and how effective the money is for the people in York Township. This person will help develop a budget, figure where the money goes to and how funds are used, then report to the board members, which will then be relayed to the public. President Ledonne would like to elect Jill Mueller to be Head of Finance.

Motion to Approve: Motion 1- Chassy Datoli- Motion 2- Carol Scinto- President Ledonne asked Secretary Datoli to take roll call:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Board Member	Aye	Nay
Michael Ledonne	x		Albert Rago	x	
Chassy Datoli	x		Carmen Olmetti	x	
Jill Mueller	x		Carol Scinto	x	

Motion passed by all board members present.

10: Approval of RFP for York Township Needs Assessment: President Ledonne stated that in the last couple of meetings, one of the first actions is creating an RFP for the needs assessment. Each member has received a copy of the RFP. This will be sent out to the providers. Line 5 on the RFP states “Identify current service wait times and locations”. He feels this is especially important to assess the gaps and the wait times. Extended times could cause problems.

Al Rago asked for a further explanation about the last sentence of the RFP. “This procurement is for professional services and is therefore exempt from the provisions of Section 1-10(b)(12) of the Illinois Procurement Code, 30 ILCS 500/1-10”.

Per President Ledonne he asked Counsel Ken Florey to explain: Contracts are usually publicly bid. Professional services are exempt under the township code from bidding, giving RFP’s a way of having transparency and the ability to send to all potential agencies.

Albert Rago asked- How does this impact the ability of the board to look at all the proposals versus the lowest bidder? Counsel Ken Florey responded- Because it is not required to be publicly bid, the board has the discretion to not select the lowest bidder based on numbers. We do not want the lowest bidder to do our assessment. Cost alone is not the only factor. We can consider any criteria.

Jill Mueller -Do we know who other 708 boards have used for their assessments and were they happy with them? President Ledonne stated-that will be part of our boards consideration and will request that a public presentation be given by those the RFP was sent. At that time, those questions will be asked as to what other townships have they done the assessment for and what the opinion was, etc. Ken Florey stated- the RFP can be sent to providers of other townships. Kelly will find other providers, if any, and we will let them know the RFP is out there.

Motion to Approve: Motion 1- Carol Scinto- Motion 2- Chassy Datoli- President Ledonne asked Secretary Datoli to take roll call:

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Board Member	Aye	Nay
Michael Ledonne	x		Albert Rago	x	
Chassy Datoli	x		Carmen Olmetti	x	
Jill Mueller	x		Carol Scinto	x	

Motion passed by all board members present.

President Ledonne said that staff will go ahead with the RFP and sent to providers in the region immediately. The plan will be that the party will submit proposals on or before June 20, 2025. Providers will have their public presentations at our next meeting, July 24, 2025.

11: Discussion of mental Health Fair: President Ledonne would like the board to coordinate with the township board, asking Albert Rago to bring it to the board and having a Mental Health Fair here at York Township. Albert asked what timeline President Ledonne was thinking. Not in May, but in the fall. Target service providers, community organizations, etc. Albert asked -Is there any cost associated? President collaborates with the Lombard board, and they charge a Nominal fee for security. Chassy Datoli agrees with this happening in the fall. She feels this is a great way to raise awareness. Carmen also agrees. Ken stated that Kelly will research these fairs. Jill said there is an Options fair that is in the fall, and we want to make sure we don't schedule around the same time. Carol asked about the location and President Ledonne said right here at York Building.

12: Discussion of Proclamation for Mental Health: President Ledonne wanted to share the proclamation with the board and that May is Mental Health awareness month.

13: Adjournment: President Ledonne called for motion to adjourn.

Carol Scinto- Motion 1 Albert Rago- Motion 2

Board Member	Aye	Nay	Board Member	Aye	Nay
Michael Ledonne	x		Albert Rago	x	
Chassy Datoli	x		Carmen Olmetti	x	
Jill Mueller	x		Carol Scinto	x	

Respectfully submitted,

Kelly Simms

York Township Administrator