

# **CMHB, Moraine Township Minutes of Board Meeting May 11, 2026**

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm by Chair David Paushter at the Moraine Township Office located at 800 Central Ave, Highland Park.

The following Board Members were in attendance in person: Chair David Paushter, Secretary Kari Guhl, Members Nora Barquin, Zach Duenow, Daniel Jenks, Allison Levin, Desmond Raftery, Heather Schwartz, and Dan Yohanna.

Also present: Moraine Township Supervisor Nancy Chausow Shafer, Moraine Township Administrator Sanela Abazovic, Rachel Sacks and Lauren Knapp from Leading Healthy Futures.

Remote attendance: Case Manager/ Community Liaison Guadalupe Somerville.

## **Public Comment:**

- None

## **Approval of Minutes:**

- Member Yohanna moved, seconded by Member Schwartz, the approval of minutes from the April 27, 2026 regular board meeting.

## **Approval of Bills:**

- Member Jenks moved, seconded by Member Levin, to approve the bills for the period of April 28, 2026 to May 11, 2026 in the amount of \$940.00.  
Voting Aye by roll call vote: Chair Paushter, Secretary Guhl, Members Barquin, Duenow, Jenks, Levin, Raftery, Schwartz, and Yohanna.  
Voting Nay: None. **The motion passed.**

## **Financial Reports:**

- None

**Presentation:**

Guadalupe Somerville, Rachel Sacks and Lauren Knapp led a discussion on grant applications and funding recommendations. The CMHB received 21 grant applications addressing mental health, intellectual and developmental disabilities, and substance use disorders and addictions, totaling \$1,054,000. All grants were reviewed in detail and funding recommendations were discussed.

**Action Items:**

- Member Jenks moved, seconded by Member Yohanna to approve the first round of grants for fiscal year end 3-31-2027 in the total amount of \$759,500 to the following agencies:

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Amount</b>
A Safe Place	\$50,000
Arts of Life	\$25,000
Cancer Wellness Center	\$50,000
Center for Enriched Living	\$75,000
Family First of Lake County	\$100,000
Family Service of Glencoe	\$25,000
Fenix Family Health Center	\$35,000
Friends of the Highwood Public Library	\$35,000
Glenkirk	\$15,000
JCFS Chicago	\$46,600
Knowtice, Inc.	\$50,000
Nicasa Behavioral Health Services	\$30,000
Lake County Partners In Aging	\$47,900
Collaborative Community Housing Initiative	\$100,000
Josselyn Center	\$50,000
Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center	\$25,000

Member Duenow and Member Schwartz departed the meeting prior to the vote, at 8:30 pm and 8:45 pm, respectively. Voting Aye by roll call vote: Chair Paushter, Secretary Guhl, Members Barquin, Jenks, Levin, Raftery, and Yohanna. Voting Nay: None. **The motion passed.**

**Chair’s Remarks:**

- The Chair expressed his appreciation for the Board’s dedication and efforts throughout the grant review process.

**Executive Session:**

- None

**Standing Committee Reports:**

**Governance: Members Yohanna and Levin**

- None

**Finance: Members Jenks and Yohanna**

- None

**Grants: Chair Paushter and Member Barquin**

- None

**Working Group Reports:**

**Website/Navigation: Member Duenow and Secretary Guhl**

- None

**Convening: Members Barquin and Raftery**

- None

**Communication/Outreach: Secretary Guhl and Member Raftery**

- As part of community outreach efforts, discussion included participation in the Fourth of July parade and National Night Out.

**Strategic Planning: Members Levin and Schwartz**

- Member Levin indicated that a draft of the CMHB 3-Year Plan will be shared at a future meeting.

**Old Business:**

- None

**New Business:**

- None

**Staff Report:**

- None

**Adjournment:**

Member Raftery moved, seconded by Member Jenks, adjournment of the meeting at 9:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Kari Guhl

Kari Guhl – CMHB Secretary