

CMHB, Moraine Township

Minutes of Board Meeting

August 10, 2026

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

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

Remote attendance: Case Manager/ Community Liaison Guadalupe Somerville.

Absent: Chair David Paushter, Member Heather Schwartz, and Moraine Township Administrator Sanela Abazovic.

Public Comment:

- None

Approval of Minutes:

- Member Duenow moved, seconded by Member Jenks, the approval of minutes from the July 27, 2026 regular board meeting.

Approval of Bills:

- Member Jenks moved, seconded by Member Raftery, to approve the bills for the period of July 28, 2026 to August 10, 2026 in the amount of \$926.17.
Voting Aye by roll call vote: Vice-Chair Yohanna, Secretary Guhl, Members Barquin, Duenow, Jenks, Levin, and Raftery.
Voting Nay: None. **The motion passed.**

Financial Reports:

- None

Action Items:

- None

Chair's Remarks:

- None

Executive Session:

- None

Standing Committee Reports:**Governance: Members Yohanna and Levin**

- Member Yohanna commented that the Governance Committee is continuing to monitor the pending Illinois legislation.

Finance: Members Jenks and Yohanna

- Member Jenks informed the board of his recommendation to simplify our cash flow procedures by using a CD for short investment gains.

Grants: Chair Paushter and Member Barquin

- Member Barquin commented that the grantee feedback received was favorable and will be used to update the application and guidelines for the next round of granting. Member Barquin and Community Liaison Guadalupe Somerville have been meeting to make the necessary updates.

Working Group Reports:**Website/Navigation: Member Duenow and Secretary Guhl**

- Member Duenow provided comments on his outlined vision to further the mission of the website for users. Updates are being made weekly by RJ Guhl to enhance the user experience.

Convening: Members Barquin and Raftery

- Member Raftery shared the list of needs by the police department social worker, Amy Bricker, to discuss if the CMHB is a good fit to apply for a grant.

Communication/Outreach: Secretary Guhl and Member Raftery

- Secretary Guhl will connect with Moraine Township Administrator Sanela Abazovic to create a business card for CMHB Board members to use when visiting grantees in the future.

Strategic Planning: Members Levin and Schwartz

- Member Levin updated the Board that the September 14th CMHB meeting is the deadline to complete the Implementation of Strategic Metrics by Working Groups.

Old Business:

- Board Members agreed that Option #2 for The Grant Cycle Schedule, proposed by the Grants Committee, for the next round of granting is optimal.

New Business:

- Replacement for Member Heather Schwartz at the end of her term, December 31, 2026 will be beginning now. Interviews will be conducted by Chair Paushter and Member Levin.

Staff Report:

- None

Adjournment:

Member Jenks moved, seconded by Member Duenow, adjournment of the meeting at 8:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Kari Guhl
Kari Guhl – CMHB Secretary