

CMHB, Moraine Township

Minutes of Board Meeting

September 14, 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, Heather Schwartz, and Dan Yohanna.

Also in attendance: Moraine Township Administrator Sanela Abazovic.

Remote attendance: Case Manager/ Community Liaison Guadalupe Somerville.

Absent: Member Desmond Raftery

Public Comment:

- None

Approval of Minutes:

- Member Duenow moved, seconded by Member Jenks, the approval of minutes from the August 24, 2026 regular board meeting.

The motion passed by voice vote.

Approval of Bills:

- Member Jenks moved, seconded by Member Yohanna, to approve the bills for the period of August 25, 2026 to September 14, 2026 in the amount of \$366.48.

Voting Aye by roll call vote: Chair Paushter, Secretary Guhl, Members Barquin, Duenow, Jenks, Levin, Schwartz, and Yohanna.

Voting Nay: None. **The motion passed.**

Financial Reports:

- None

Action Items:

- Member Levin moved, seconded by Member Duenow to approve the CMHB 2027 Meeting Schedule. **The motion passed.**

- Member Schwartz moved, seconded by Member Duenow to approve the Investment Policy presented by Member Jenks. Voting Aye by roll call vote: Chair Paushter, Secretary Guhl, Members Barquin, Duenow, Jenks, Levin, Schwartz, and Yohanna. Voting Nay: None. **The motion passed.**

Chair's Remarks:

- None

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

- Case Manager/ Community Liaison Guadalupe Somerville distributed the weekly Website Analytics Report. The Board reviewed the report in detail and provided suggestions for including additional information in future reports.

Convening: Members Barquin and Raftery

- None

Communication/Outreach: Secretary Guhl and Member Raftery

- None

Strategic Planning: Members Levin and Schwartz

- Member Levin and Schwartz had each Standing Committee and Working Group present their 2026-2028 strategic plan outline.

Old Business:

- Continued discussion regarding the replacement of Member Heather Schwartz.

New Business:

- The Board discussed a request from Knowtice, a grant recipient, for early disbursement of its final grant payment. The Board requested that Knowtice submit an updated usage report detailing the use of grant funds and will consider the request upon review of the submitted report.
- The Board reviewed a request from Worry Free Wednesday, a student-led initiative focused on supporting social-emotional wellness and normalizing conversations around anxiety in schools. The Board will provide a contact at the school district to explore a potential connection and partnership.

Staff Report:

- Community Liaison Guadalupe Somerville reported that all grant agencies have been assigned a board member to serve as a liaison to the CMHB and help build relationships with each agency's leadership.

Adjournment:

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

Respectfully submitted:

/s/ Daniel Yohanna

Daniel Yohanna, Acting CMHB Secretary