

PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, November 19, 2019 @ 4:00PM
(Retired) Milton Lockett Jr., Community Room

Call to order

Chairperson Tyson Begly called to order the regular meeting of the **Public Safety Advisory Committee** at 4:07 p.m.

The following persons were present: Dr. Dothel Edwards Jr., Donald Watkins, Bill Ward, Scott Taft and Tyson Begly.

Absence: Byron Hickey, Geraldine Buckner, Julio Portillo, Pete Temesgen.

Visitors: Councilperson C. Crabb, Andrea Winston, CEO, New Horizon's, Susan Gallagher, Denise Wade

Chair Tyson Begley Welcomed the Committee

Chairperson Tyson Begly welcomed the committee. Mr. Begly introduced Andrea Winston CEO of the New Horizons Behavioral Health, who introduced Susan Gallagher, Director of Development and Denise Wade, Clinical Director from New Horizons.

Ms. Winston, Susan Gallagher and Denise Wade from New Horizons spoke to the committee.

Ms. Winston explained that New Horizons Behavioral Health is a Community Service Board and provider of community-based mental health, addictive disease and developmental disability services for Clay, Chattahoochee, Harris, Muscogee, Quitman, Randolph, Stewart and Talbot counties.

New Horizons provides recovery-oriented affordable outpatient, day treatment and residential services to people with mental disabilities.

Mental Health

- Assessment & Referral
- Crisis intervention and stabilization
- Psychiatric/medication support
- Day services-treatment and support
- Peer support
- Individual/group/family counseling
- Case management
- Job placement/supported employment
- Residential Services
- Family education

Developmental Disabilities offers a number of community-based services to persons with developmental disabilities. Support is available within the home, at one of our facilities or within the community. Consideration of a person's basic needs, desires and dreams are of utmost importance in service outcome planning.

- Assessment & evaluation
- Program planning
- Referral/follow-up
- Individual/group/family counseling

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- Crisis management
- Behavior management
- Outreach
- Job placement
- Case management
- Family Support
- Day services-work activities
- Family/consumer education
- Respite Care

Addictive Diseases, New horizons is responsible for providing recovery and encouraging prevention efforts to reduce alcohol, tobacco and other drug use among children, youth, and adults. New Horizons provide free HIV/AIDS and Hepatitis C testing as part of our Comprehensive Adult Treatment System.

- Crisis Intervention
- Adult/juvenile court evaluation
- Adult intensive outpatient
- Individual/group counseling, including specialized probation/parole groups
- Family treatment
- Adult dually diagnosed day services
- Community education
- Peer Support
- Contracted drug screening
- Residential Services
- Free HIV/AIDS/ & Hepatitis C testing

A lengthy discussion among the staff of New Horizons and the committee concerning the services New Horizons provides for the counties.

Adjournment

Mr. Tyson Begly thanked everyone for attending the meeting. The meeting ended at 5:15 p.m.

Next Meeting

PSAC Meeting, Thursday, January 23, 2020 at 4 p.m., in the Milton Lockett Jr., Public Safety Building Community Room.

Deborah Gasaway
Recording Secretary

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