



MEETING MINUTES

BRUNSWICK COUNTY SUBSTANCE USE, ADDICTION, & MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING OFFICIAL MINUTES

JANUARY 2ND, 2025
5:00 PM

The Brunswick County SUBSTANCE USE, ADDICTION, & MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION met in Regular Session on January 2nd, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. in the Boardroom of the Health Services Building, located at the Brunswick County Government Center, 25 Courthouse Drive NE, Bolivia, North Carolina.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Josh Torbich, Chair, District 2
Kate Gomes, District 1
Jeremy Seamon, Member-at-large
Jeremy Gunn, District 5
Charles Francka, District 4
Laura Trueman, Member-at-large
Johnnie McAdams, Chief Superior Court Judge
Anthony Grimaldi, Local Mental Health Professional

MEMBERS ABSENT

Cecelia Peers, Trillium Regional Director
Jennifer Faircloth, Board of Education
Acacia Alston, Sheriff's Office
William Eberle, Vice-Chair, District 3

STAFF PRESENT

David Howard, Health Director
Olivia Jarvis, Health Educator
Erika Booth, Community Paramedic

OTHERS PRESENT

Teresa Mobley, Coastal Horizons
Dena Hamilton, Trillium

Commission Action, containing all items in this set of minutes, is filed within Health Services.

I. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Torbich called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

II. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commission Member Seamon gave the Invocation.

III. ATTENDANCE

Commission Member Peers was absent.

Commission Member Faircloth was absent.

Commission Member Alston was absent.

Vice-Chairman Eberle was absent.

IV. ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairman Torbich asked for adjustments to the agenda. Commission Member Trueman made a motion for the following adjustments: addition of iv. Re-entry Simulation Report and v. Community Paramedicine/PORT Introduction & Progress under 1. Staff Report within VII. Presentations. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Seamon and passed unanimously (9 to 0). Chairman Torbich made the motion to approve the updated meeting agenda template. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Seamon and passed unanimously (9 to 0).

V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

1. Meeting Minutes – December 5th, 2025, Regular Meeting

Chairman Torbich made the motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of the December 5th, 2025, Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Seamon and passed unanimously (9 to 0). Chairman Torbich made the motion to approve the updated meeting minutes template. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Gunn and passed unanimously (9 to 0).

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

No Public Comment.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

1. Staff Report

The Commission received an update from Olivia Jarvis, Health Educator, with Brunswick County Health Services on Projects & Training Updates; ITTS Program; Community Health Needs Assessment Kick-Off; Trillium Re-entry Simulation.

The Commission received an update from Erika Booth, Community Paramedic, with Brunswick County EMS on the Community Paramedicine and Post Overdose Response Team progress.

VIII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. No Public Hearing Scheduled.

IX. OLD BUSINESS

1. Previous Meeting Assignments

None

X. NEW BUSINESS

1. None

XI. BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

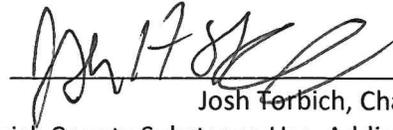
1. No appointments at this time.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS/INFORMAL DISCUSSION

Discussion held regarding the first small working group for the upcoming quarterly update to the Board of Commissioners. It was noted that the Commission members needed a way to all have input other than during meetings. Staff were tasked collecting draft questions from Commission members to develop a quarterly survey for Commission members to gather input and guide the content to be discussed in meetings.

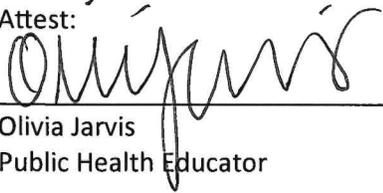
XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Commission Member Seamon moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Gunn and passed unanimously (9 to 0).



Josh Forbich, Chairman
Brunswick County Substance Use, Addiction, &
Mental Health Commission

Attest:



Olivia Jarvis
Public Health Educator