



# MEETING MINUTES

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

SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2025  
5:00 PM

The Brunswick County SUBSTANCE USE, ADDICTION, & MENTAL HEALTH COMMISSION held a special meeting on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 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

Jeremy Gunn, District 5  
Charles Francka, District 4  
Kate Gomes, District 1  
Josh Torbich, Chair, District 2  
Jeremy Seamon, Member-at-large  
Cecelia Peers, Trillium Regional Director

### MEMBERS ABSENT

Anthony Grimaldi, Local Mental Health Professional  
Emma Long, Sheriff's Office  
Jennifer Faircloth, Board of Education  
William Eberle, Vice-Chair, District 3  
Laura Trueman, Member-at-large  
Johnnie McAdams, Chief Superior Court Judge

### STAFF PRESENT

Olivia Jarvis, Health Educator  
Erika Booth, Community Paramedic

### OTHERS PRESENT

Teresa Dubose, Coastal Horizons

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

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Torbich called the meeting to order at 5:09 p.m.

**II. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chair Torbich gave the Invocation.

**III. ATTENDANCE**

Commission Member Grimaldi was absent.

Commission Member Long was absent.

Vice-Chair Eberle was absent.

Commission Member Faircloth was absent.

Commission Member Trueman was absent.

Commission Member McAdams was absent.

**IV. ADJUSTMENTS/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chair Torbich asked for adjustments to the agenda. Hearing none, Commission Member Gunn made the motion to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Peers and passed unanimously (6 to 0).

**V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**1. Meeting Minutes – July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Regular Meeting**

Commission Member Seamon made the motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of the July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025, Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Peers and passed unanimously (6 to 0).

**2. Meeting Minutes – August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Regular Meeting**

Commission Member Seamon made the motion to approve the Meeting Minutes of the August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Regular Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Peers and passed unanimously (6 to 0).

**VI. PUBLIC COMMENT**

**VII. PRESENTATIONS**

**1. Staff Report**

Olivia Jarvis, Health Educator, shared information regarding the 2025 Community Health Opinion Survey that was open to the public, as part of the 2025 Brunswick County Community Health

Needs Assessment Process. Information and materials are available to share throughout our networks, and commission members were asked to share this survey as well.

**VIII. OLD BUSINESS**

None.

**IX. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**X. BOARD/COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

1. FY 2025-2026 Officer Positions

i. Chair

Commission Member Seamon made a motion nominating Vice-Chair Eberle to serve as Chair for the 2025 – 2026 FY. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Gunn and passed unanimously (6 to 0).

ii. Vice Chair

Commission Member Seamon made a motion nominating Commission Member Peers to serve as Vice-Chair for the 2025 – 2026 FY. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Gunn and passed unanimously (6 to 0).

**XI. OTHER BUSINESS/INFORMAL DISCUSSION**

1. Brief discussion regarding options for Treatment presentation. Options will be further discussed at a future meeting.
2. Discussion on the purpose of the NCACC NC Opioid Settlement Academy and the Brunswick County team. The Commission would like to be kept updated on the progress of the team and of any needs that the Commission could assist with.

**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

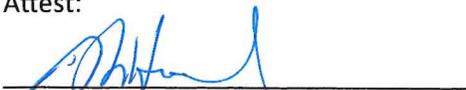
Commission Member Seamon moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m. The motion was seconded by Commission Member Peers and passed unanimously (6 to 0).



William Eberle, Chair

Brunswick County Substance Use, Addiction, & Mental Health Commission

Attest:



David Howard  
Health Director