



Board of Carroll County Commissioners

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Open Session

~ Minutes ~

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Thursday, December 1, 2016

1:30 PM

County Office Building Rm 311

I. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Organization	Title	Status	Arrived
Stephen Wantz	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	President	Absent	
Richard Weaver	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Vice-President	Present	
Dennis Frazier	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Secretary	Present	
Richard Rothschild	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Commissioner	Present	
Doug Howard	Board of Carroll County Commissioners	Commissioner	Present	

II. Organization Highlights ~ Extension Office

Agriculture in Carroll County is a diverse industry including livestock and milk production, grains, egg production, fruits, vegetables and more. The Extension Agent assists farmers and landowners by providing technical assistance and education programming. These services are designed to offer the county's natural resources. Extension has an Agriculture Agent that works with producers in subjects related to animal and plant sciences, agricultural profitability, sustaining and viability, as well as alternative enterprise development for agricultural enterprise development for agriculture entrepreneurs.

Carroll County has an active Home Horticulture and Master Gardener Program. Their full-time Educator provides programs to the community regarding home horticulture concerns and provides programs to the community regarding home horticulture concerns and provides educational research-based programming for home landscaping, food production, arboriculture and Integrated Pest Management (IPM). Their education outreach also includes the use of indigenous plants in the landscape, while providing effective control strategies for invasive species on publicly owned lands and private landscapes.

III. Organization Highlights ~ Community Media Center

In FY2016, the Community Media Center (CMC) staff covered over 76 individual events beyond Municipal meetings. CMC staff are onsite at local festivities and parades and provide coverage of events that range from health and safety, to new technology, economic development and non-profit services. In August, the CMC streamed over 60 hours of LIVE, online coverage of the Carroll County 4H & FFA Fair. Each year 45-50 video production students from the Career and Tech Center utilize the studio and other tools at the Media Center, as part of their learning experience. CMC's staff is available to provide ongoing assistance, oversight and training for specific projects.

By partnering with other organizations and institutions, the CMC is better able to serve our community. They are working with MAGIC, Ting, Freedom Broadband and the Career and Tech Council to high-light new technology and opportunities in their new light, new technology and opportunities in our county. They work with the Carroll County Chamber of Commerce to showcase small businesses and entrepreneurs in the area.

IV. Organization Highlights ~ Union Mills Homestead

The Union Mills Homestead is a unique museum in the fact that they have the original artifacts and original documentation that supports their authenticity. They run a seasonal operation, they are open weekends throughout the summer with festivals, some examples are the annual Corn Roast, Microbrewery Festival and weekdays with school tours from all over the area and programs with the Library. Bringing in over 10,000 people to Carroll County reaching out to numbers of people on the East Coast and are bringing tourism into Carroll County. They depend heavily on volunteers, it is the backbone of their organization. Next year they will be partnering with the Farm Museum and with the Smithsonian Institute in "The Way We Work". They were the first Industrial Park, a Saw Mill, Cooper Shop, Tannery and even a Canning business started in Union Mills. They have come up with a program concept called "Citizen Meets Soldier" to promote the Civil War Weekend. They try to switch things around every few years and added a new event last year called the Kris Kringle Bark, German Festival.

The Homestead has updated their Strategic Plan and they are also participating in what is called the MAP Program (Museum Assessment Program) try to add a level of professionalism. They are a small museum, however, they do a good job on running special events, tourism operating but they want to be on a higher level as a Museum. Thinking from the Curator aspect how they present themselves, the way they work as a Museum they are hoping this Museum Assessment Program will help them to be a better organization on a professional level. They have had field trips with staff to observe how other Museums operate so that they can manage and interpret the Union Mills Homestead.

They are closed for the 2016 season but will reopen in May, 2017.

V. Organization Highlights ~ Youth Service Bureau

Youth Service Bureau (YSB) - because of the support from the Board of County Commissioners increased funding last year the YSB wanted to share with the Board how those dollars have been used and the extra things they have put in place because of it. The Bureau has added two part time assessors to client hours; it has helped with type of insurance, and now are able to serve more groups with mental health and substance user and to have groups expanded; have 9 clinicians and are using a good approach with on-going in house training. They now have a psychiatrist and are currently interviewing for nursing positions. New clinician hours. An assessment is the 1st priority in getting people into treatment (mental health and substance abuse treatment) and then match appropriately. The challenge is treatment dealing with individuals and how often they are seen (attendance). The therapist talk to the patient about what's getting in the way of them not making their appointments, and having them see how important accountability of coming to the YSB is for their recovery. They are also working with the Court System on court order patients and the YSB gives monthly updates on how that person is doing.

Lynn Davis, Executive Director - Youth Service Bureau Goal:

The current goal of the Youth Services Bureau is to secure a vacant building from the county. They have already outgrown their current building because of the number of customers being served. Their request is for them to lease a building from the County for

\$1.00 a year lease and the YSB would take responsibility for renovating it. They would like to meet with the Board to discuss any excess county building that might fit their needs.

VI. Organization Highlights ~ Boys & Girls Club of Westminster

Boys and Girls are bused to the Boys & Girls Club of Westminster, 25 Union Street, Westminster for after school activities. It is a chance to develop relationships with other children, help with homework if needed or just to take the time there to complete your homework. The Board of Education is a proponent of the program, they have a great relationship with the teachers as well as the administration. Students from McDaniel College come down each day and act as mentors to the children and serve as role models not just academically but role models so that these kids can see what they can accomplish if they put their minds to it. The Club is working on purchasing a building on Main Street, Westminster so that there will be more room for the 200+ children that are on the waiting list and can have a chance to come to the club as well. The new building will have a gymnasium with a capacity for 600 children in total. They are fundraising for \$5M to purchase the building. Their hope for the future is to have the club open in the evening hours so that it will be a place for teenagers to come and bring their friends to keep them off the streets.

Mission: The Mission of the Boys & Girls Club of Westminster is "To inspire and enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to realize their full potential as productive responsible and caring citizens." We accomplish this mission by providing a safe place to learn and grow, develop ongoing relationships with caring adult professionals, participate in life-enhancing programs, building character development experiences, hope, and opportunity. In all of our programs we utilize a time-tested youth development strategy.

VII. Organization Highlights ~ Access Carroll

Access Carroll

- Community Based Health Center since 2005
- Serves Carroll County Residents
- Open Full-time (Monday thru Friday)
- Medical, Dental, Behavior Health Care
- Expanded Behavior Health (mental and substance abuse 2016)
- Hybrid Staffing Model - paid in kind and volunteer
- Clinical site for medical, dental, and behavior health professional students

Strategic Partnerships

- Carroll Hospital Center
- Carroll County Health Department
- The Partnership for a Healthier Carroll County worked together - collaborative partnership working together

FY16 Major Accomplishments

- Phase II Behavior Health Expansion Capital Project Completed (approx. 4,600 sq. ft.)
- Full Behavior Health Integration with Carroll County Health Department - expanded services
- Transition to Billing Model with Medicaid
- Established model partnership with University of Maryland School of Dentistry
- 20% Growth of New Patients served
- Recognized Community Health Fair Model - State of Maryland and by Federal

Representatives

VIII. Organization Highlights ~ Mosaic Community Services

Mosaic is a Behavioral Service Provider in four other counties (Baltimore City, Baltimore County, Harford County and Howard County) as well. Funding of what they do is challenging but they have come together with another organization and between the two (2) of them they have been ramping up their fundraising both individual and together with grants. Last year they raised about \$2.5M.

Some other areas they are working on is the Coordination of Healthcare and Behavioral Health. Providing mental health with primary care settings. So, if people do need that they are able to provide that and they are seeing a demand for children services here in Carroll County. They are waiting to see what is going to happen after the 1st of the year with the new administration and their ability to maintain services. For them regardless of funding sources the people need them and the demand has never been greater. In Maryland, in order to receive outpatient public funds medical assistance, the system uses Outcome Measurement System (OMS) by the state administered by Beacon Health Options which is the administrative agency that oversees funds for, Behavioral Health Systems. Every six months after receiving behavior health or addiction treatment services patients have to meet with their clinician to and sit down and answer questions on a survey that is how the quality measures get assessed on the state level. Mosaic is in the top 10% of all the providers in the state that have been able to sustain these outcomes. The only way this can be sustainable is if the patient continues and maintains treatment as long as the services provided this is maintainable and in most cases improvable. Mosaic is expanding their partnership with CareFirst and then they can treat more people with private insurance, this is a huge need in Carroll County.

IX. Organization Highlights ~ Human Services Programs of Carroll County

Human Services Programs (HSP), a Community Action Agency, is a private, nonprofit 501(c)3 organization with a volunteer Board of Directors, coordinating over 20 programs and service over 12,200 Carroll County residents. Operates and administers the following: Emergency Assistance: Homelessness prevention through financial support to maintain or secure housing and/or essential utilities. Energy Assistance through the local Office of Home Energy Programs (OHEP) provides financial support to keep clients' utility and heating costs affordable in relation to their household income.

Opportunity Work: Provides low income individuals with the opportunity to increase their income and move out of poverty by utilizing support services, workforce development strategies, and financial education to empower participants to become independent, thriving community members. Second Chances prepares individuals to obtain and maintain a job. Program participants are empowered to manage Second Chances, Carroll County's only free store, along with an eBay business.

Carroll County Family Center: Center-based and home visiting support services for expectant parents and parents with their children under age four, to attend together to learn and grow.

Child and Adult Care Food Program: Reimbursements to licensed family child care providers for the nutritious, USDA approved, meals and snacks served to the children in their care.

Shelter and Housing: Provides the basic need of shelter for those in our community who are homeless, and assists with the transition into permanent housing to enable self sufficiency.

Neighbors in Need Year Round (NINYR): Helps people facing critical needs every day, in every season, such as housing, essential utilities, financial stability and self-sufficiency.

X. Organization Highlights ~ Carroll County Historical Society

Founded in 1939, the Historical Society of Carroll County is a private 501(c)3 nonprofit educational organizational.

Mission Statement: The Historic Society of Carroll County connects the past to the present and makes the County's vibrant historic tangible, relevant, and meaningful for today's diverse communities and for generations to come.

Vision Statement: The Historical Society of Carroll County (HSCC) is an important county educational institution, which uses materials and knowledge of the past to explore topics of timeless relevance and current public interest and benefit. Inside and outside the walls of its buildings, HSCC encourages broad engagement in the diversity of experiences it offers. It develops and deploys its collections, knowledge, connections, and expertise to build relationships among individuals, organizations, educational entities, and communities to enhance understanding and to engender a pride of place. The Society offers a compelling reason to live in and to visit Carroll County.

XI. Public Comment

Citizen comment(s): no citizen comments were received

XII. Adjourn - 4:35 PM

1. Motion To: adjourn

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Doug Howard, Commissioner
SECONDER:	Richard Weaver, Vice-President
AYES:	Richard Weaver, Doug Howard
ABSENT:	Stephen Wantz, Dennis Frazier
EXCUSED:	Richard Rothschild