

MINUTES
CITY OF ST CHARLES, IL
708 MENTAL HEALTH BOARD MEETING
SUBCOMMITTEE KANE COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AUGUST 23, 2017

1. Call to Order 5:42 by Barb Gacic
2. Introductions with St Charles Council Members Ron Silkitis, Rita Payleitner, 708 Member Carolyn Waibel, Barb Gacic, Kane County Mental Health Advisory Member Bill Beith
3. Bill Beith Presentation
Bill Beith gave an extensive history on the background of Kane County Mental Health and the local 708 board dating back to 1969. There are a total of 16 townships in Kane county with only 10 represented currently with 708 boards either in townships or municipalities. He went on to explain the county wide levy, details of the proposal not yet worked out. Currently McHenry and Kendall have one. No comparable data was available at the time of ask.
His opinion is that it would be more efficient at the county wide level to coordinate with agencies, spread the tax over a wider base of people and ultimately lower taxes.
When asked for proof of a successful model or data to support he did not have any at the time.
4. Questions
Discussion ensued
*Referendum is required to pass the new levy and it would automatically dissolve current township boards
*Specifically St Charles as a home rule municipality would be exempt but would be liable to double taxation.
*The original bill that put this in place was Senate Bill 1584 and will sunset 12/31/2018
*The Advisory Committee has not formally created a proposal or settled on a % number yet and does not yet have a timeline of the presentation date but will advise us on next steps.
5. Meeting Adjourned by Carolyn Waibel 7:24 pm