

Meeting with DSHS

December 19, 2019

10:30 a.m.

Present: Commissioner Jackson, Commissioner Fund, County Manager Erik Martin, JP Anderson, Alison Puckett, Doug Hieronymus of DSHS, Ken Taylor of DSHS

Guests: Dr. Lindsey Pollock, Linda Williams

Recorder: Rieva Lester

Ken Taylor and Doug Hieronymus of the Department of Social and Health Services (DSHS) discussed recent talks about possibly creating a mental health facility at Maple Lane.

Ken said he is submitting to the state a list of six possible sites for a mental health facility.

Ken discussed preventive measures taking place in Clark, Pierce and Spokane counties to create crisis beds in an effort to prevent a cyclical rotation of needed care.

JP Anderson discussed crisis prevention already taking place in Lewis County.

Ken discussed a possible funding source linked to Trueblood et al v. Washington State DSHS.

Ken said the BCRA study will be available Jan. 13.

Erik Martin left at 10:59 a.m.

The group continued discussing the possibility of locating in Lewis County.

Meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.