Mill Levy Community Advisory Council Meeting Minutes
June 16, 2026

Members Present:	Maeline Barnstable, Chair Tinsley Ore, Member Lynn Kutner, DHS Liaison Corinne DePersis, Member Jennifer Gilbert, Member Seth Grove, Member and DHS liaison Alfredo Jesús Bonilla Flores, Member Michelle Dumay, Member	**Staff:**	Dana Johnson, Executive Assistant Abby Grinstead, Mill Levy Associate Director Kizzly Blue, ML Program Manger
Members Absent:	Schuyler Kropp, Member Benny Mudliar, Member Cristina Gomez, Member	**Guests:**	Leah Wing, Heather Seiden, Gabriel Utt, and Michael Gillett of Jewish Family Services

Maeline Barnstable, Community Advisory Council Chair, called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm via Microsoft Teams.

Minutes
The council reviewed the May 19, 2026 minutes. The minutes approval was moved by Michelle Dumay and seconded by Tinsley Ore.

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Seith Grove reported an update to the council.

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Community Initiative: Jewish Family Services
Representatives from Jewish Family Services provided an overview of their retail and customer service training program, highlighting workforce development opportunities designed to help participants build employment skills and increase access to sustainable career pathways. The

presentation focused on program impact and support provided to community members seeking employment and self-sufficiency

ML Sustainability with Client Directed Family Funds

Staff presented an update on the sustainability of Client Directed Family Funds, emphasizing the ongoing need for developmental support resources for children ages 0 to 5. The program was highlighted in the annual report for its efforts to provide toys and books that address developmental challenges. Demand for individual requests has decreased, with approximately 85% of current requests focused on toys. To improve efficiency and timeliness, the program has streamlined its vendor list, allowing toys and books to be delivered to clients more quickly while maintaining access to needed resources.

Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at approximately 5:55 pm.

Next Meeting

The next Mill Levy Community Advisory Council meeting will be held September 15, 2026 via Microsoft Teams.