

**NH BOARD MENTAL HEALTH PRACTICE  
PUBLIC EMERGENCY  
MEETING MINUTES  
February 3, 2023  
Via Zoom**

**CALL TO ORDER**

An emergency meeting was called to order by Chair Samuel Rosario at 3:17 PM

The following board members were present: Samuel Rosario (SR), Chair, Deborah Robinson (DR), Amy Alletzhauser (AA), Christine Gribben (CG), Rebecca Bemis (RB), and Kristin Grasso (KG)

The following board members were absent: Courtney Porter (CP)

The following non board member(s) were present: Ashley Czechowicz (AC), Administrator, Jeanne Webber (JW), Administrator, Michael Porter (MP), Enforcement, Nikolas Frye, Esq (NF), Board Hearing Examiner, Sheri Phillips (SP), Board Counsel, Eric Goulet (EG), Enforcement

**RSA 91-A:3, II (i)** *Consideration of matters relating to the preparation for and the carrying out of emergency functions, including training to carry out such functions, developed by local or state safety officials that are directly intended to thwart a deliberate act that is intended to result in widespread or severe damage to property or widespread injury or loss of life.*

**NON PUBLIC**

The following applies to all Non-Public Sessions.

All Non-Public Sessions are recorded as follows for the purpose of board business and noting that such a non-public session is authorized by RSA 91-A:3, II (c), RSA 91-A:3, II (e), RSA 91-A:5, IV, and the Board's executive and deliberative privileges. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by the unanimous poll vote of all members present and included all members listed above.

And

Motion to keep minutes of the non-public session confidential from public disclosure pursuant to RSA 91-A: 3, III on the grounds that public disclosure would be likely to affect adversely the reputation of a person other than a board member and/or to render the proposed action ineffective and/or is not subject to public disclosure pursuant to RSA 330-A: 28 and RSA 330-A:29. However, forty-eight hours after the mailing of any order, its respective vote shall automatically become public in accordance with RSA 330-A:29.

Upon motion of AA seconded by CG, the Board voted to commence the **1<sup>st</sup> non-public session** at 3:20 p.m. and ended at 4:00 p.m.

Motion to come out of non-public was made by CG, and seconded by AA, by unanimous roll call vote.

Upon the motion of CG and the second of AA, the Board voted to keep minutes of the non-public session confidential from public disclosure. Each member recorded his or her vote on the motion, which passed by unanimous vote.

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**HEARING:**

The Matter of Sara DeValk, LCMHC – Hearing commenced at 3:17 p.m. Motion made by CG and seconded by RB to seal exhibits 1 through 3 to protect the individual and the integrity of the investigation. Motion made by AA and seconded by KG to refer the matter to DCYF and appropriate law enforcement agencies. Motion made by RB and seconded by AA to emergently suspend the LCMHC license of Sara DeValk, LCMHC, due to evidence that Ms. DeValk poses an imminent threat to the public’s health, safety and welfare. Motion passed via unanimous roll call vote, DR Abstaining.

### **ADJOURNMENT**

At 4:03 p.m., upon a motion by CG, with a second second by AA, the Board voted unanimously via roll call vote to adjourn the public meeting.