

West Custer County Hospital District
Meeting of the Board of Directors
Minutes of the March 31, 2022

Attendance: Elliot Jackson, Matt Nolting, Terri Munson, Kelley Camper

Directors Present: Robert Tobin, Ann Evans, Tom Shepard, Barry Keene, TC Smythe, Shelly Green

Staff Present: Nova Rupp, Heather Roberts, Tyler Harkins, Tammy Ahlers, Chase Carlin, Jonathan Rafferty,
Jeremy Duwall

A quorum being present, Mr. Tobin called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m. All meeting attendees recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Comments: There were no public comments at this time.

Board Opening Comments: The introduction of possible new appointed member of the WCCHD Board of Directors Shelly Green was made by Mr. Keene and Ms. Green herself.

Approval of new board member: Mr. Keene made motion to nominate Ms. Green as a new board member Motion was seconded by MS. Smythe.

Oath of Office: Mr. Tobin, Mr. Keene and Ms. Green where all sworn in by Ms. Camper

Approval of Minutes: Ms. Evans pointed out the needing to Regular Board Meeting of February board meeting (moved to March 3,2022) The minutes were approved with the with correction.

Motion made by Ms. Evans seconded by Ms. Smythe.

Clinic Update: Ms. Roberts was unable to report due to microphone issues. Ms. Ahlers later reported that the clinic has been down in numbers, but this is due to sick and vacation time of primary care providers. Mr. Ahlers was also able to introduce herself to the Board Staff at this time.

Financial Report: Report given during the Executive director report written by Mr. Fusco who was not present. Presented by Ms. Rupp and Ms. Smythe covering. (See Executive Director Report below).

EMS Report: Mr. Harkins Represented February's numbers that was given to the board on March 3, 2022 and informed the board that March may be the first month we did not beat previous year's numbers in transport records. There would need to be a total of six more calls before the end of the day to beat those numbers. Transport rates are still on track. Mr. Harkins updated the board to the DEA 222 situation; the forms should be in the next couple of days.

New Medical Director: Dr. Duwall introduced himself giving his medical history.

Mr. Tobin asked how the EMS/ staff could get in contact with him if need. Dr. DuWall provided his phone number.

Admin Update: Ms. Rupp presented the estimate from Mary Marosky for the website update at \$1,478 this would cover a page for the Board of Directors, EMS, and Clinic. The board has requested that they be allowed to look over the developing templates. Ms. Rupp acknowledged she and HRRMC staff Ms. Roberts/ Ms. Ahlers will need to work closely to create a page that satisfies both the Boards requirements as well as HRRCMs.

Procedures- Ms. Rupp informed the Board of the problems that have arisen from lack of updated procedures from the HRRMC takeover as well as the upper management. Including but not limited to passwords, emails logins, and lack of proper procedures. Ms. Rupp also presented the board with information from the SDA manual covering topics like boundary issues, contacting, and service plans.

Ms. Evans and Ms. Smythe volunteered to finish working on an updated service plan.

Wetmore EMS progress report- Mr. Shepard stated that there are no updates.

Mr. Keene requested to know where the half way point between the Florance and Custer County EMS for future discussions. Mr. Rafferty EMS personal did inform the board that that would be mile marker 20-21.

WCCHD Executive Director Report —Was written by Mr. Fusco and Presented by Ms. Rupp and Ms. Smythe covering the following:

Financials: Mr. Fusco Mr. Zarrello, and Garren Ross and Denardo (auditors) were unable to make any rapid head way in getting closer to an opening balance for 2022. GRD will be reviewing the 7/1/21-12/31/21 books to understand previous bookkeeping methods. Account information was provided for the UBB and Colorado Trust accounts along with a QB profit and loss statement. Mr. Zarrello has put in his resignation for 5/31/22 due to all the transition in management. Mr. Fusco reminds the board that will need a resolution at the April BOD meeting for removal of myself, Ms. Smythe and Ms. Evans from the accounts and to add whoever you choose as the signers for the bank accounts as well as the Colorado Trust.

EMS Medical Direction: Mr. Fusco Thanked Dr. DuWall for coming on as Medical Director. He also wanted to thank UC Health staff members for guidance and corporation through this process.

Executive Director responsibilities: Mr. Fusco stayed that Mr. Tobin should be addressed about operations and direction of the WCCHD. Mr. Fusco will report to Ms. Evans from here until end of contract.

Unemployment Insurance Audit: Completed with no updates. Information will be directed to Mr. Tobin

Mr. Fusco is unaware of who wrote the letter from EMS staff and expressed his support of the EMS Staff.

Pharmacy proposal: Mr. Fusco states his is opposed to the current Pharmacy expansion proposal without also consideration of other community health care needs and reconsideration of the HRRMC contract Mr. Fusco would like to see the HRRMC Pharmacy Construction to coincide with a 24 hour emergency care project stating that due to discussions with Dr. Stephens, EMS, and patient transport follow-up calls. Mr. Fusco is concerned about the pharmacy numbers HRRMC has presented. Mr. Fusco request WCCHD does a community assessment needs before moving forward.

Fire/ EMS Merger: Mr. Fusco states that he was under the impression that the merger was put on hold for two years. States that Mr. Tobin had a meeting with Jeremiah Coleman (Interim Assistant Fire Chief and Vice President WMFPD BOD). Mr. Fusco would like to clarify that the issue with the fire district is a personnel issue not one of how the department feels about the Chief, but a conflict of interest between the fire board and its staff.

Mr. Fusco's only response to the reconsideration of his resignation letter was asking if Mr. Tobin and Mr. Keene would reconsider their positions on the board?

Responses:

Mr. Tobin address the Fire/ EMS merger and asks for information to be presented from Fire and EMS staff on why and what might be need.

Mr. Nolting of the audience would like the boards to pose questions that they want answers to and feel that the boards should at least talk before research is done.

Mr. Keene stated he would like to continue the Pharmacy proposal.

Ms. Smythe agrees with Mr. Fusco on a Community's Needs Survey and offered her help.

Ms. Evans feels that this should be multi part survey to cover multiple projects and service ideas but supports going ahead with the Pharmacy proposal.

Enterprise Zone Update: Mr. Keene requested the numbers for the pharmacy proposal from Colarrelli Construction. He brought to address the previous discussions of an EMS scholarship, hoping that could be readdressed in the future.

New Business/Reminders:

Next Board meeting —Thursday April 28, 2022

Committee for HRRCM contact renewal- will be led by Mr. Keene and Mr. Shepard with Ms. Green as an alternate. No official motion was made

Next WCCHD/HRRMC Advisory meeting June 23, 2022- WCCHD Board will need to replace Ms. Evans with a new representative due to her 5/31/2022 departure date.

Ms. Evans informs the Board that there will be no more Mill Levy Money owed to HRRMC per the cost report.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:54 Motion made by Mr. Keene and seconded by Ms. Evans.

Respectfully submitted,